


# March

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2021

## 4-H Friday! 03.05.2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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7	8 Air Rifle & Air Pistol Match 2	9 Pennington County 4-H Leader's Association Meeting via ZOOM 6pm	10	11	12 Archery match 2 SD 4-H State Listening Session (Vision 2025) 7pm	13 Scrapbooking Workshop! 10am-12pm WTB Archery Match 2
14	15 All Shooting Sports Match 2 deadline!	16 Registration for State Shoot Opens	17 YQCA 3:30 Sturgis, Meade Co, 4-H Building 	18	19	20
21	22 Pennington County YQCA 6:30pm Fine Arts Building	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	April 1 Deadline for State 4-H Scholarships	2	3

# FYI!



### Community Service opportunity with Black Hills Back Country Horsemen

- Spend a day with the Black Hills Back County Horsemen maintaining trails in the Black Hills. This is an opportunity to engage in hands-on trail maintenance and learn about aspects of packing in gear with mules and horses, being safe on the trail, leave no trace principles, trail etiquette, and proper care of back country

resources. Participants will need to bring their own horse and be comfortable with trail riding. Parent participation with 4-H member is encouraged. Please contact Alice Allen at (605) 517-1728 or Alan Van Bochove at (605) 391-2142 for additional information



#### 4-H Camps

- Dates are set and contracts are signed for this year's 4-H Youth Camps! Come enjoy 3 days of fun and learning with other 4-Hers from across the state. Cost is \$175/camper, and registration will open April 15<sup>th</sup> at [extension.sdstate.edu](http://extension.sdstate.edu). 2021 4-H Camps will be following all COVID-19 safety policies in place at the time of camp by the Board of Regents, SDSU, and the camping facilities, including social distancing, limiting capacity, and wearing masks.
- **For Ages 8-12**
  - 4-H Camp East (held at Camp Poinsett): June 2-4, 6-8, 9-11
  - 4-H Camp West (held at Storm Mountain): June 7-9, 10-12
    - *Information on Teen Camp will be released soon. For questions, please contact Katherine Jaeger at [Katherine.jaeger@sdstate.edu](mailto:Katherine.jaeger@sdstate.edu)*



#### 4-H Camp Counselors Needed!

- We are actively recruiting this year's camp counselors! Counselors assist in camper supervision, help lead activities, and serve as role models for the younger campers. Counselors must be enrolled in 4-H and between the ages of 16-18. Counselors are needed at the following camps:
  - 4-H Camp East (held at Camp Poinsett): June 2-4, 6-8, 9-11
  - 4-H Camp West (held at Storm Mountain): June 7-9, 10-12
    - Please reach out to the 4-Hers in your area that love camp and would be great counselors! Both the flyer and application are attached. Applications are due to Katherine Jaeger by April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021. 2021 4-H Camps will be following all COVID-19 safety policies in place at the time of camp by the Board of Regents, SDSU, and the camping facilities, including social distancing, limiting capacity, and wearing masks



#### 2020 Vision Project:

- Help us meet our goal of donating 2,020 pairs of eyeglasses by August 1 2021. Drop your donations off at the 4-H Building.



#### 2021 4-H Scholarships:

- The 2021 4-H Scholarship document has been updated on the [Extension website](http://Extension website). Please share this with your leaders, members and families. Applications should be sent to the State 4-H Office and must be postmarked by April 1<sup>st</sup> to be eligible.



### 2021 Civocacy Guide:

- We are excited to launch the 2021 Civocacy Guide, a guidebook created for youth to learn about the importance of being and engaging as a civic advocate through the Legislative Session. The resource is split in two components, the first section focusing on education and the second section focusing on ways to participate.
- As previously notes, no 4-H Day at the Capitol will be held this year, but we hope this guidebook will provide a way for youth to continue to learn about policy processes and importance of State Government. The guide can be used individually, as a family, as a club, or even a larger county group. Please share your experiences on social media and the committee! We look forward to hearing about and seeing the different ways our 4-H communities are engaging.
- To access the guide:  
<https://documentcloud.adobe.com/link/track?uri=urn:aaid:scds:US:d2c62b55-d1c4-475c-bee5-ec882f8bf8ec>
  - If you have any questions, please reach out to one of the committee members: Amber Erickson, Caroline Hansen, Jenae Hansen, or Hilary Risner.



### Updated 2022 South Dakota 4-H Calendar Theme – “Together We’re United”

- The South Dakota 4-H Calendar Theme for 2022 has been updated from what was previously published in the 2020 SDSU Extension 4-H State Fair Book. The new theme for the 2022 South Dakota 4-H Calendar will be “Together We’re United”. The theme is related to what youth take part in during their 4-H year. Examples may include, but are not limited to, meetings, community service, projects, livestock, Summer Adventures Series, etc. The options are endless and we look forward to seeing all of the photos submitted.
  - The photos that will be selected for the 2022 South Dakota 4-H Calendar must be entered in the 2021 South Dakota State Fair under the South Dakota Calendar Theme Lot in Photography.



### DNA Envelope Deadline

- The **deadline** for DNA Envelopes to be handed into their county is **June 1st**, and they need to be post marked to AKSARBEN by **June 10<sup>th</sup>**.



### Participate in Vision 2025

- You are warmly invited to participate in an upcoming public listening session for Vision 2025. Every 4-5 years South Dakota 4-H steps back and analyzes the program from a 10,000 foot level. This visioning process celebrates the good work we have accomplished and prioritizes the work yet to be done. Input from all types of 4-H supporters (e.g., youth, parents, volunteers, community leaders) is crucial to developing the best plan. We hope you will join us for one of these sessions, scheduled for February 20, March 2, and March 11. Registration is now open! Two attachments will assist you:
  - [Guide sheet for Vision 2025](#) has the timeline, process details, and registration information for the listening sessions
  - [Review of Strategic Futures](#) is a transparent progress report as we near the end of the current plan



Minnesota 4-H Photography is excited to offer a photo challenge open to Midwest youth in grades K-13!

- Explore the world in TONES with a black and white photography challenge! We encourage you to play with shadows, look at texture, and layer dark and light tones to create stunning black and white photographs. More information and rules for the challenge can be found [here](#). Submit up to three (3) jpg or jpeg images to [fourhphoto@umn.edu](mailto:fourhphoto@umn.edu) by 11:59 p.m. on March 15, 2021. Register at: <https://z.umn.edu/blackwhitephotos>. Questions? Email [fourhphoto@umn.edu](mailto:fourhphoto@umn.edu).



### **National 4-H Conference**

- The National 4-H Conference will be held virtually April 10-14, 2021. The theme for 2021 is Shaping the Future. The cost to attend National 4-H Conference is \$325 and the youth is responsible for paying the registration cost. Interested youth need to contact Amanda Stade, [amanda.stade@sdstate.edu](mailto:amanda.stade@sdstate.edu), by February 24<sup>th</sup>.
  - The schedule for National 4-H Conference is:
    - Saturday, April 10; 11 am – 9 pm EST
      - Agency briefing blocks and conference opening events
    - Sunday, April 11; 11 am – 9 pm EST
      - Agency briefing blocks and conference opening events
    - Monday, April 12; 4 pm – 9 pm EST
      - Briefing practice
    - Tuesday, April 13; 1 pm – 4 pm EST
      - Agency Briefings
        - Briefings take place approximately 1:30 pm – 3:15 pm EST with debriefing taking place after
    - Wednesday, April 14; 6 pm – 8 pm EST
      - Conference closing activities
      - Daytime hours are open to meet as a State Delegation and times will be set by the state.



### **Rodeo Update and Reminders**

- Rodeo Page on Extension site <https://extension.sdstate.edu/state-4-h-rodeo-resources>
- Finals Packet is updated and available <https://extension.sdstate.edu/sites/default/files/2021-01/MC-02023.pdf>
- Insurance declaration form is updated <https://extension.sdstate.edu/sites/default/files/2021-01/MC-02022.pdf>
  - Due with the finals packet – To be kept in the county offices, do not send to the finals secretary
  - Will be kept in the county offices for one year
    - Rodeo Rulebook is updated with changes made at the annual meeting <https://extension.sdstate.edu/sites/default/files/2021-01/P-00019-v3.pdf>



### **Animal in 4-H Online**

4-H Online is now open for families and counties to input animal information. Families and counties will have until June 1<sup>st</sup> at 11:59 pm to enter animals into 4-H Online, with the exception of Companion Animals. Companion Animals will have until August 10<sup>th</sup> at 11:59 pm to enter their animal information. The Help Sheet for families can be found at <https://extension.sdstate.edu/sites/default/files/2021-01/02-07-01-02.pdf>.



### **2021 Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF) Info**

The 2021 Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF) will be fully virtual. CWF will not take place over one week, instead it will take place once a week, spanning 5 weeks.

- **Dates:** The program will start the week of June 20<sup>th</sup> and run for 5 weeks with the exception of the July 4<sup>th</sup> week. The youth will be able to select the Sunday tract or the Monday tract. Both tract will be the same program, the only difference is what day the youth takes part on.
- **Time per Session:** Each session will be approximately 2-3 hours in the evening.
- **Cost:** The price for CWF is \$250. This will include a CWF box from the 4-H Mall/Shop 4-H. This will be a small goody box that youth will be able to use throughout the program.
- **Age:** The age range for 2021 CWF is 14-19, as of January 1.
- **Theme:** Youth Voice
- **Description of Theme:** How can young people use their voice to affect change throughout your community, state, and country. We will be exploring topics such as Civil Discourse, Informed Decision Making, Media Literacy, and ways to assess the needs in your surrounding community to identify the best ways for young people to affect change. CWF will also be introducing their enhanced Action Plan process called the Dolphin Tank (like the hit show Shark Tank, but with less bite 😊)
- **Registration:** More information will be sent to the counties soon.
- **Questions:** Contact Amanda Stade at [amanda.stade@sdstate.edu](mailto:amanda.stade@sdstate.edu) or 605-688-4167



### DEX Moving through Legislature

The DEX—Dakota Events CompleX—is currently under final consideration by the State House of Representatives. If approved, one-time state funds will join together with insurance replacement and private donor funds to produce a new 200,000 sq. ft. facility on the State Fairgrounds in Huron. From a 4-H perspective, the DEX will become the new home for beef projects during the State Fair in 2022+ and all-in-one location for the State Horse Show in 2023+. The South Dakota State Fair Foundation invites those who would like to learn more about the project to view the attachment or visit their website at <https://www.sdstatefair.com/general-information/south-dakota-state-fair-foundation/>. Those who have interest in supporting the project will find legislative contact and donor information on the site.



### BB Gun Match Opportunity

John has been working with a couple shooting sports groups to have a dry run of the state shoot process. In that mode we have set up a BB Gun Primer shooting opportunity in Huron on March 13<sup>th</sup>. The process will be a test of what we hope to be able to have state shoot look like. The only difference is that we will use barriers between shooters at state. Also, this one has a test included, that we won't do at state. There will not be overall score-based awards. Each of the 5 relays will have drawings for prizes (6/relay). If you are interested in participating please use this link to register <https://extension.sdstate.edu/event/sd-4-h-bb-gun-primer>



### Shooting Sports Items

State Registration will begin at 9 am (CST) on March 16<sup>th</sup>. \*\* In an attempt to allow the state shoot opportunity to be possible for as many youth as possible, we will be doing a staggered registration. Registration will open at 9 am CST on March 16<sup>th</sup>. At that time we ask participants to limit themselves to 2 indoor gun events (BB, Air Rifle, Air Pistol) and 2 archery events (CWOS, CWS, CWS-R, CWOS-R, C-Open, RWS, RWOS, R-Open). Outdoor gun events (22 3-P, CMP, 22 Pistol) will not be limited at this time. This should allow the most youth the opportunity to participate in State Shoot. **On April 8<sup>th</sup> any remaining shooting times will be available on a first come first serve basis and will no longer be subject to the limitations**