



## 4-H Friday! 04.03.2020

- All 4-H activities are now postponed until after **May 15<sup>th</sup>**: This means that any meeting or event will need to be postponed or done virtually. Absolutely no one has permission to meet in person as a club or group at this point.
- The State Shooting Sports Match in Pierre on April 24<sup>th</sup> -26<sup>th</sup> is **CANCELLED**, make sure if you had reserved a hotel that you cancel that.
  - *We will be doing refunds, but only for Match 3 and State fees charged per youth. (Even if you only shot one of the 2 matches completed, you will be charged for both)*
- The decision to cancel the National Shooting Contest in Grand Island, NE has also been made- Please see the note below from the National Office



April 2, 2020

State 4-H Shooting Sports Coordinators;

The National 4-H Shooting Sports Committee has had the 4-H Shooting Sports National Championships as well as the National 4-H Shooting Sports Teen Ambassador Training on our minds since the outbreak of COVID-19. Having given much thought and consideration to existing circumstances, the National Committee has made the decision to cancel the 2020 National Championships and to offer some form of Teen Ambassador Training in an online format. We are following the guidelines of the Center for Disease Control as well as the guiding principles issued by the National 4-H Program Leaders Working Group as rationale for our decision.

Considerations include:

- The health and safety of our 4-H youth, families and volunteers is of highest priority.
- Information received from a survey of state 4-H shooting sports coordinators indicated that at least 10 states have travel restrictions through the entire summer
- Many of the 200 plus volunteers who typically assist with the Championships fall into the high risk category of severe implications from COVID-19
- Due to existing circumstances, many states are unable to conduct their state qualifying events prior to the time we had scheduled the 2020 National Championships
- Current Stay at Home guidelines are affecting families financially
- If we were to hold the event, the quality of the experience would be diminished due to severely limited participation.

In regard to The National 4-H Shooting Sports Teen Ambassador Institute, many youth typically travel by air and to do this would put them at great risk. Additionally, the host campus site will likely remain closed throughout the summer. That said, there will be no face to face Teen Ambassador Training in 2020. Planning is in process to offer some form of online teen ambassador leadership training with plans to be announced to state coordinators by May 1.

For now, it is our intention to follow current eligibility requirements as outlined by National 4-H Guidelines for our 2021 events.

In closing, this is a decision that none of us wanted to make. However, in consideration of the health and safety of our youth, families and volunteers, we feel that this is the right decision to make at this time.

We are looking forward to returning to a traditional 2021 slate of events. In the meantime, we hope that this course of action will help us all stay safe & healthy.

National 4-H Shooting Sports Committee

- **Shooting Sports Shirts**

- Thank you for the continued support of the South Dakota 4-H Shoot Sports Program. All Around Graphix has provided shirts and hoodies for many years to commemorate your accomplishments and this year is no different. Derk has designed and ordered this year's transfer before the pandemic hit and forced us to cancel the state shoot. We want to still celebrate your youths' accomplishments as well as support All Around Graphix. The garments can be ordered with a slogan on the back or plain. If you have questions, please let us know. Online ordering for State 4-H Shooting 2020 ends on Monday April 13th, 2020 (11:59pm CDT)/ Shipping is individually expensive.

- **Here are a couple options:**

- Order shirts through the office using the order form attached to this email, pay the Leaders Associations and have your shirt picked up in Pierre (Kim's husband travels to Pierre for work often and would be willing to pick them up to save us in shipping costs)
- The deadline for orders coming through the office is going to be **April 10<sup>th</sup>**
  - The form to order through us is attached.
- Order yourself through this link and pay for shipping: <https://state4-h.itemorder.com/>

- **4-H Online**

- You may find you have more down time than normal at this point. This is the perfect opportunity to start entering animals and projects into 4-H Online! You have until June 1<sup>st</sup> at 11:59pm to upload your information.
- You have until July 1<sup>st</sup> at 11:59pm to enter Registration Papers, YQCA or Companion Animals.

- **YQCA**

- How to upload your YQCA Certificate into 4-H Online
  1. Go to [WWW.YQCA.ORG](http://WWW.YQCA.ORG)
  2. Select SD 4-H Youth Development
  3. Log in using 4-H Online credentials
  4. Select the youth you are looking for

5. Click on Completed Credit Tab
6. Click on Print Certificate
7. Save File As
8. Login to [www.4Honline.com](http://www.4Honline.com) and up load file to one of the animals registered under that youth.

- **Rodeo**

- Please remember that all rodeo paperwork is due by **May 1<sup>st</sup>**. Don't forget that one of these documents needs to be notarized, please consider this when you are working on the timeline of when to get things done. If you need the paperwork still, please visit the extension website at <https://extension.sdstate.edu/sites/default/files/2020-01/MC-00746.pdf>

- **HuntSAFE Program**

- Due to COVID-19 and recommendations from the CDC they SD GFP has decided to offer HuntSAFE online effective through April 30<sup>th</sup> 2020. This allows residents 12 years of age and older to complete their certification online without any field day requirement. Keep in mind that the course fee is \$17.99. If anyone in your community is unable to afford our course fee, please contact Pat Klotzbach directly. [www.hunter-ed.com/sd](http://www.hunter-ed.com/sd) - This HuntSAFE course is for South Dakota residents only. If you have questions or concerns, don't hesitate to reach out. The GFP plan to reevaluate their options in May and will be in touch with updates.

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- **SD 4-H Livestock Judging Series**

- The SD 4-H Livestock Judging Series has some small changes, but it is the same program! The SD 4-H Livestock Judging Series has increased the amount of participation in judging events around the state and allowed many great opportunities for our youth. We look forward to this year's contests.

- Please note, this year you must register for the series to have your points counted at the contests. ALSO, you will receive points from the contests that have already taken place (Sioux Empire and Black Hills Stock Show), after you register!
  - To register follow this link and sign up for the SD 4-H Livestock Judging series  
<https://www.sdstate.edu/agriculture-food-environmental-sciences/animal-science/south-dakota-4-h-livestock-judging-series>
  - Contact Brady Jensen for any questions about the SD 4-H Livestock Judging Series at [brady.jensen@sdstate.edu](mailto:brady.jensen@sdstate.edu).
- **Healthy Habits Challenge**
    - Please see the attached flyer and contact Amber Erickson with any questions.
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