

Lake County Achievement Days General Information

Entry Instruction and Deadline for Lake Achievement Days – Sunday, July 15th

ALL projects that are going to be exhibited at the Lake Achievement Days will be registered online. This needs to be done by Sunday, July 15th.

To register, please go to <https://faireentry.com/Fair/SignIn/2173> then enter your login information from 4-H Online. Please follow the help sheet to register your projects. Also, make sure to click all the way through the payment. There is no payment for the Lake Achievement Days, but this step must be in the process. Your registration will be complete once you have submitted your entries and receive an invoice.

Please pull the information over from 4-H Online. To do this, you click on create entry from an animal in 4-H Online. You will then select the animal that you would like to register. Baby Beef entries will need animal's information added into FairEntry because animals' information was not required to be put into 4-H Online.

If you need help with registering online, please come into the Extension Office and we will help you register.

Message from the Extension Staff:

We are so excited to share the changes for Achievement Days! As the open livestock shows were so successful last year, we needed to change the schedule to accommodate both 4-H shows, events and fun activities as well as the open livestock shows. We hope that you read this Achievement Day booklet to get the nitty-gritty details of Achievement Days. The schedule is full of activities for youth to get involved in! Some that we would like to highlight are: cat/companion animal show, Community Bingo, Ag Olympics challenge, Amazing Race hosted by Jr. Leaders and Parade of Champions Ribbon Sale.

The cat project area went through a big change this year to expand to companion animals. In the past, 4-H members had the option to show healthy kitten and healthy cat plus kitten and cat showmanship. This year, the healthy kitten and healthy cat have been eliminated from the project area and the cat showmanship and kitten showmanship have been combined. There is only one cat class this year, but youth have the option to show live companion animal (chinchilla, ferret, gerbil, hamster, hedgehog, mice and rat, and cavies (pet rabbit and Guinea pigs) or display companion animal project (any other pet not listed above). Lucky for you, these animals have to be entered into 4honline before August 20th so the June 1st deadline does not apply for these animals.

Community Bingo is a new event the Achievement Day Committee and Leader's Association added into the schedule as a fun family friendly activity! Buy a card for \$1.00 and win prizes until the Ag Olympics challenge! Money raised will go to a community charity/program.

The Ag Olympics challenge is replacing Laser Tag this year but that's okay! We have a lot of exciting challenges for teams to complete in! Teams will consist of one adult, one senior 4-H member, one junior 4-H member, one beginner 4-H member and a cloverbud! So bring your team or yourself and we will get you a partner!

The Amazing Race hosted by Jr. Leaders will be on Friday night at 7 p.m. Teams of two will draw a clue as a starting point. Go to the location of the clue and talk to the Jr. Leader member at the location for your task. Once you complete the task, collect a stamp and a new clue until you collect all the stamps. Be warned that

other teams might tag you and wash your stamps off. Then you start again. The first team to complete the race will receive a bonus prize! So bring your team or your self and we will get you a partner!

We are so proud of all the accomplishments that our 4-H members have worked so hard to achieve this year even if you didn't receive the ribbon placing you hoped to receive. Achievement Days are more than just ribbons and winning. It really embodies what 4-H is based around: learning. A purple ribbon is nice but learning a valuable lesson is most important. We hope everyone has a fun and safe Achievement Days.

Achievement Day Set-Up

4-H Club area set up will begin at 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. on Monday, July 30th. Livestock barn set-up begins at 4 p.m. until 7 p.m. on Monday, July 30th. The more volunteers, the sooner everything will be set up and ready for Achievement Days.

Exhibit Entry Times

Static Exhibits:

NEW TIME THIS YEAR: Entry of Static Exhibit will be on Monday, July 30th from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. You will enter the 4-H Center, collect your FairEntry cards for static and sign up for interview judging. Your interview judging projects will need a bright orange tag placed on the FairEntry cards and exhibit worksheets. You will place your projects in their assigned areas, for example, your visual arts projects will go on the tables behind where the visual arts judges will be sitting.

NEW TIME THIS YEAR: Interview and exhibit judging will be on Tuesday, July 31th from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the 4-H Center.

Livestock Exhibits

NEW TIME THIS YEAR: Livestock can be penned on Wednesday night, August 1st from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

NEW TIME THIS YEAR: Check-In and Weigh-In – Wednesday, August 1st -Please be prompt and considerate of the livestock volunteer's time. Beef, sheep, and goat weigh ins are from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. and swine will be from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Weigh ins will end at 7:30 p.m. and FairEntry cards will be turned in at 7:30 p.m. to the office staff.

Release Time/Check Out – Saturday, August 4th

All static exhibits are released from the Lake Achievement Days at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, August 4th. Please be respectful of other people's property when removing exhibits. If your project is going to State fair, please leave your project, FairEntry cards and information worksheets in the designed area.

All Livestock Exhibits are released following the Parade of Champions Ribbon Sale on Saturday, August 4th. Before you leave the 4-H grounds with your livestock; please remove all the bedding from your stall. You are responsible for cleaning up after your own animals and helping clean the areas around your animals. In the 4-H spirit of Lake Achievement Days, please help each other.

Note to Parents:

4-H Age Division	Age on or before January 1, of current 4-H year
Cloverbud	Age 5, 6, or 7
Beginner	Age 8, 9, or 10
Junior	Age 11, 12, or 13
Senior	Age 14, 15, 16, 17 or 18

Youth with special needs/disabilities are eligible to enroll. The County 4-H Office must notify the State 4-H Office in order to waive the age requirement.

Keep the purpose of the 4-H project in perspective. Realize that the project is simply a teaching tool and a method for involving youth in a worthwhile activity. Above all, remember your child is more important than the 4-H project. Remember that the 4-H experience should be an educational one and don't let the desire to win overpower your child's ability to learn. Your child will learn more from a blue or red ribbon project than a purple one. Encourage your 4-H member when she/he succeeds and even more when she/he fails; help them to see the progress and not just the result. Keep in mind the most important goal of 4-H is personal growth of the individual and not grand champion animal.

Ribbon System is purple, blue, red or white ribbons are awarded based on the excellence of presentations and exhibits. Purple equals superior. Blue is excellent. Red is average. White has some room for improvement. The best way to help your child is to read the requirements of the project area and choosing a project with your child that is age appropriate. Try to resist doing your child's project for them even if you may be able to do it faster, better, simpler and with much less mess. You are also taking away their learning experience.

Cloverbud Policy

County Fair is open to participation for Cloverbuds, but for exhibit only. The Cloverbud program is non-competitive and equal recognition is given to all participants. Young children can be given advice or tips on how to improve their exhibit or work. Cloverbuds will receive a multi-color ribbon for each exhibit they enter at County Fair. Their entries are due on FairEntry at the same time as others.

Cloverbuds can exhibit static projects. Cloverbuds are welcomed to show rabbits, poultry, cats, dogs or companion animals. Some children between the ages of 5 and 8 lack the abilities to be safe when involved with animals. Therefore; SDSU Extension's 4-H Youth Development program does not allow, authorize, approve or support any exhibiting, showing, riding, etc. of large animals (cattle, sheep, swine, goats and horses) for youth younger than eight years of age (as of January 1 of the current 4-H year) in 4-H activities/events throughout the year.

4-H Lunch Stand

Lunch stand information is still being developed and will be sent to you in the near future. The profits from the lunch stand benefit the whole Lake County 4-H program through the Leader's Association.

4-H Grounds Clean Up

In the 4-H spirit of Lake County Fair, it is the 4-H member's responsibility to ensure the grounds stay in pristine condition during the entire week.

Some ways 4-H members can help do this is by picking up any candy wrappers, paper, etc. that is around the 4-H grounds and building and placing them in the trash cans. If trash cans are full, they should be emptied and taken to the dumpsters. If one is walking livestock around grounds, pick up all manure from animal and dispose of it in appropriate location.

County Fair Dress

There is a dress code for 4-H livestock exhibitors in the show ring. This includes clean jeans, black or white pants, boots, and clean polos, long sleeved button down shirts, or a show/county sponsored t-shirt, depending on species. At all other times, and events, please follow the guidelines laid out by National 4-H that is used for all National trips:

For other examples of WHAT NOT TO WEAR, refer to the diagram below, created by California 4-H Alum, Cindy Sperry



The clothes illustrated above are prohibited, other than modest tank tops (no spaghetti straps, no giant holes in your cut off shirts). Generally, anything too short to wear to school is too short to wear to a 4-H event. Remember, 4-H is about being a young professional and showing the community how we are making the best better.

Lake County Achievement Days Static Exhibit Information

ALL projects that are going to be exhibited at the Lake County Achievement Days will be registered online at; Registration deadline is on Sunday, July 15th.

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Got questions about registering online? Contact us at 605-256-7603 or lake.county@sdstate.edu.

Static Project Entry

Static FairEntry cards will be available in the office on July 18th, 2018 for pick up. Please check your cards for any errors and if you are not planning to bring a project but registered for it, just return it to the office staff. FairEntry cards will be printed ONCE and anything that is NOT registered by July 15th will need a handwritten card. Livestock FairEntry cards will be available at the scale for market animals and the rest will be with your species superintendents.

Projects must be entered to be judged on Monday, July 30th from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. You will come into the 4-H Center to check in and get your FairEntry Cards for the projects. Each project will need to have a Display Exhibit Entry Form attached to it unless specified in the State Fair Book; these sheets of information can be picked up at the Extension Office but **need to be completed before Lake Achievement Days.**

On Monday night, you will sign up for interview judging and tag your project with a bright orange tag. You will bring your projects to the designated area for the type of project it is, for example, if you have a visual arts project, you will put it on the table labelled visual arts. Foods and horticultural exhibits are the exception and please keep reading for that information. If you would like to do interview judging, this will take place from Tuesday, July from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. This is a great opportunity for you to share the information you know with the judge.

We highly encourage members to be present for interview judging. Interview judging of your projects is a process that greatly enhances your 4-H evaluation experience. The process involves a caring judge interviewing you about your project. Interview judging gives you a sense of personal involvement and helps to make project work more educational.

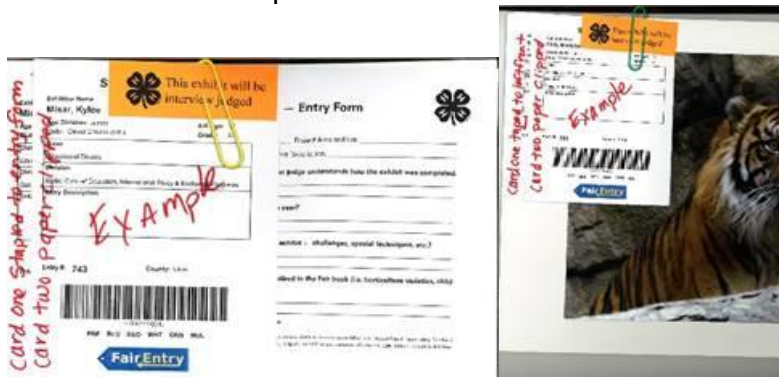
Evaluation of the exhibit is done by you and the judge together. You can explain your own starting point, take note of the progress you have made and explain your future plans. Basing a decision on your project goals and the general exhibit standards, the judge decides how much progress has been made and what ribbon you will receive.

Benefits to interview judging are improved communication skills, recognizing your personal success and progress, encouragement to try new ideas and learning from the experience of the judge. The benefits to the judge are to help you feel good about your project and find out what you want to achieve while providing a learning experience.

Parents will not be allowed in the judging area unless they are a superintendent volunteer of a project area. This allows youth to have an honest conversation with the judge and to ease nerves.

FairEntry Card information Two cards will be printed.

1. Display exhibit: staple one of the cards to the Exhibit Entry form. This card will stay with the exhibit.
2. Photography exhibit: tape the entry card to the left front; tape all four corners of the photography exhibit form to the back.
3. Paper clip the second card to the first card. This card will be removed following judging to record results.
4. If a project is not completed, staple the two cards together and bring them back.
5. If the project will be "interview judged," place the orange label under the paper clip. Be sure to place the orange label so name is showing.
6. Sign up for interview judging when you bring the project to the 4-H Center on Tuesday, July 31st from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m.



Tips:

1. Don't forget the recipe card for foods!
2. Label the project – sometimes the entry card and form gets separated.
3. Please bring selected outfits and constructed clothing on wire hangers.

Projects going to the **State Fair** will have new entry card printed.

1. All ribbon placings may go to State Fair (Purple, Blue, Red or White)
2. If the project is going to the State Fair, review the judge comments to see if changes need to be made.
3. The project may remain in the 4-H Center. Projects will be packed on August 27. Food and Horticulture projects need to be at the office August 28th at 7:30 A.M.
4. Projects will be available for pick up on Tuesday, September 4 at 1:00 p.m.

Forms Needed for Projects

Each display exhibit needs to have an entry form that accompanies the project, the Display Exhibit Entry Form. These forms help the judge understand what you were thinking while making the project. Make sure to put as much information as possible on the form. The biggest complaint from judges is when youth do not write enough information about their project.

Some projects require additional paperwork. These are forms that show pictures and give the judge more detailed information on the project. The project areas that require the additional paperwork are:

- Clothing and Textiles

- Computers and Technology
- Forestry
- Home Environment: Quilting
- Photography: Exhibit Label
- Photography: Videography Entry Form
- Range Science & Pasture Management: Range Label

All forms can be found at: <http://igrow.org/4h/south-dakota-4h/state-fair-scoresheets-forms/>. They will be under the area titled Static Exhibits. These forms are fillable online or they can be printed and hand written.

Food and Horticulture Exhibits

NEW TIME THIS YEAR: Foods and Horticulture exhibits will be judged at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, July 30th in the conference room of the Extension Office. Food exhibits should come in a zip-locked bag with an entry card attached to the bag. After food exhibits are judged, youth may enter the remaining exhibit in the Jr. Leader's Bake Sale which is in the 4-H Center. Proceeds are donated to community organization. All horticulture exhibits should have the exhibit sheet attached to the plate. You will have the option to interview judge in all displayed exhibits, including foods and horticulture.

Photography Exhibit Requirements

Classes requiring one photo must be mounted on a 10" x14" piece of foam-core board vertically (portrait) or horizontally (landscape). Only black or white foam core is acceptable and color should enhance the photo. The Moody County Extension Office has a limited amount of black and white photo board. It is first come, first serve. Once it is out, we will not be getting anymore for the year. The board is available for \$1.00 per board.

Classes requiring more than one photo must be mounted on a 16"x20" matte board or photo mounting board. Photos must be mounted on the board so that the board can be displayed vertically.

There is a separate photography entry form for the photos. This entry form needs to be completed before static judging night and securely attached and placed on the back of the photo board. You do not need to complete a display exhibit entry form; the only required form is the photography exhibit entry form.

New this year: As a pilot program, if you are entering ANIMAL photography, you can upload your photo directly on FairEntry. Just turn in your paperwork with the file name on the form before County fair or at interview judging.

Lake Co Achievement Days Livestock Information

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Just because you uploaded an animal's information in 4Honline does not mean that you are registered for the Lake County Achievement Days. You must enter your livestock through FairEntry. If you do not complete FairEntry information by Sunday, July 15th, you will not be eligible for champion awards, included on show programs and must construct your own pens.

You must pull the animal's information over from 4-H Online. To do this, you click on create entry from an animal in 4-H Online. You will then select the animal that you would like to register. Baby Beef will need to be created through FairEntry because animal's information was not required to be uploaded into 4-H Online.

If you feel uncomfortable with registering online, please come into the Extension Office and we will help you register.

Purebred Registration: Due July 1st

Registration papers of proof of eligibility for animals that will be shown in purebred (registered) classes must be uploaded into 4Honline account by **July 1**. Animals without proof or eligibility for purebred classes will be shown as commercial. The following registrations are acceptable:

- Animals registered in 4-H member's name.
- Member's name appears with farm or parents name.
- Joint registration with brothers and/or sisters.
- Parent-child partnerships or family corporations.
- Leased arrangements are also acceptable. Lease agreements must be uploaded into 4Honline prior to June 1.

Livestock Weigh-In and Check-In-NEW DATE THIS YEAR

Livestock FairEntry cards will be available at the scale for market animals and the rest will be with your species superintendents. Please check your cards for any errors and if you are not planning to bring a project but registered for it, just return it to the species superintendent or office staff. FairEntry cards will be printed ONCE and anything that is NOT registered by July 15th will need a handwritten card.

Livestock can be penned on Wednesday night, August 1st from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Check-In and Weigh-In – Wednesday, August 1st.

Please be prompt and considerate of the livestock volunteer's time. Beef, sheep, and goat weigh ins are from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. and swine will be from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Weigh ins will end at 7:30 p.m. and FairEntry cards will be turned in at 7:30 p.m. to the office staff. Livestock Superintendents are allowed to weigh their family's livestock first.

If your youth or your family are planning on showing at the open livestock show for your specie, please tell the staff at the livestock scale. This weight will be used as your weight at the open livestock show and you will not have to re-weigh the day of that show. If a different person is showing that animal, please tell the staff member at the scale who is showing. Please note: THIS DOES NOT COUNT AS A REGISTRATON FORM OR PAYMENT. You will still need to fill out appropriate forms and pay the fee for the open show class.

Animal Health Papers-NEW THIS YEAR!

All livestock are **required** to obtain a valid health certificate from a veterinarian for Achievement Days. All Livestock exhibitors will enter the Lake County Fairgrounds through the closest (south) driveway (NOT the drive to the 4-H Center/ball Fields) to the Extension Office. All livestock exhibitors will have their animal's health papers checked before entering the grounds. You must obtain a stamp from the gate person before you can enter the grounds to unload.

Make sure that you are traveling with your animals in appropriate and safe ways. Poultry and rabbits MUST arrive in a cage or kennel. Larger livestock should be halter broke to be led around safely. Be considerate to your animals and use only safe and humane practices.

Before you have unload animals, bring your health certificate to your species superintendents to receive stalling information and check in your livestock. Livestock superintendents are the exception as they have the first opportunity to weigh their animals and settle their animals into their pens or stalls as a thank you for volunteering their time.

At State Fair, all animals must have valid health certificates - NO EXCEPTIONS! For specific tests that are required, please refer to the South Dakota State 4-H State Fair Book. The 2018 State Fair Book has the updated requirements. For specific tests, please refer to each species in the State Fair Book for tests that are needed.

All male and female sheep and goats regardless of age must be identified with a scrapies eradication ear tag before they can be exhibited at the county level and/or State Fair. If your animal is not already tagged with a scrapies tag, please contact the South Dakota Animal Industry Board at 1-605-773-3321 or aibmail@state.sd.us. Tags are not available from the Extension Office.

Swine Exhibitors:

Pens are set-up before you arrive to allow two pigs in each pen. If you want a pig to be alone in a pen, you need to bring a pen divider with you or you can stall in the outside swine barn. Stall space in the inside barn is very limited and pens are large enough for two animals to share.

Beef Exhibitors:

We expect increased public traffic on Friday night of Achievement Days and we need everyone to be safe. Sitting around the beef arena will be limited to the east and south sides of the beef arena. For safety concerns, the west side of the arena will only be for entering or exiting the beef arena. Please keep cattle within the ropes or panels from the beef barn area, holding area and beef arena. Open class will be directed to do the same but as 4-H members, you are responsible to set a good example.

Baby Beef Show – County Only

Any 4-H member enrolled in the beef project may show two calves born between January 1, 2018 and June 30, 2018. You must register Baby Beef on FairEntry by Sunday, July 15th. Classes will be broken down by age and sex based from FairEntry registrations.

Since this is a County Only Event, you will not be able to show this animal at the State Fair. Ribbon places earned will count towards premium award monies. It will be possible to show this animal in the showmanship class, if you so desire.

Showmanship

Showmanship classes for livestock will be in the following order: Senior, Junior, and Beginner members will show at the end of the species show.

An exhibitor who is wanting to show in Showmanship must be signed up as an exhibitor in the species and have their own personal animal for the show. If they are helping someone show and do not have an animal, they may not partake in showmanship.

Photo Backdrop

Back this year, we have set up an area near the sheep/goat/swine scale as photo backdrop for anyone to use to take pictures with your animal. We asked that you keep the area nice for everyone to have an equal opportunity for a nice picture with their project. Assigned photographer available to take pictures during each show.

Parade of Champions Ribbon Sale

The overall champion and reserve champion animals from the following species: market beef, breeding beef, market sheep, breeding sheep, market goat, breeding goat, and market swine as well as any Rate of Gain winner are highly encouraged to participate in the Parade of Champions Ribbon Sale. The exhibitor and champion/reserve animal are expected to be ready in show ring condition at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, August 4th near the 4-H shelter. All livestock listed above exhibitors are encouraged to go into the community and advertise the Lake County Achievement days and Parade of Champions as this event benefits everyone. Brochures are available in the Extension Office to help advertise the event!

Each animal will be presented in the ring to the exhibitor's best ability. The auctioneer will ask the exhibitor questions about their animal and sell to the crowd of potential buyers. The auction ends when the auctioneer feels like he received the highest bid. After you are done in the ring, go to the photography backdrop near the sheep/goat/swine scale with your buyers and pose for a nice picture.

Payout for the Overall Specie Champion is \$150.00/animal and Overall Reserve Specie Champion and Rate of Gain winner is \$75.00/animal. All the monies raised will be divided and awarded to per purple livestock ribbon.

To receive your monies, you must turn in three thank you cards to the extension office. A check will be written to you and must be cashed within 60 days of receiving it or it is subjected to be voided and not re-issued.

Dress for Showing Livestock and Showmanship Competitions

There is a dress code for 4-H livestock exhibitors in the show ring. This includes clean jeans, black or white pants, boots, and clean polos, long sleeved button down shirts, or a show/county sponsored t-shirt, depending on species. No clothing or equipment with commercial advertising is allowed, except in the cases where shirts are sponsored and/or provided to the exhibitor for dress code purposes. For safety purposes, wear (black or brown preferred) closed-toed shoes that encase the entire foot up to or beyond the ankle when exhibiting livestock. At all other times, and events, please follow the guidelines laid out by National 4-H that is used for all National trips

Dairy Exhibitors are recommended to wear a white shirt or blouse with the bottom tucked into white pants and (black or brown preferred) hard-soled shoes with a closed toe that encase the entire foot up to or beyond the ankle. Black pants are accepted but not preferred. Finding white pants can be hard-painter's pants are accepted and online stores like Nasco sell white Wrangler pants that last for many seasons. This is the norm for national dairy shows, goats and cattle.

Herdsmanship

All livestock and small animal exhibitors are automatically entered into the Herdsmanship contest as a club. It is vital that the 4-H program put their best foot forward and demonstrates the care that we give to our animals and the hard work that we as a 4-H program put in to our projects as well as how we work as a team. This is not an individual contest.

Who is Responsible?

Herdsmanship duties are the responsibility of all exhibitors and club members rather than leaders, advisors or parents. If an exhibitor is going to be gone for any reason, it is their responsibility to ask another club member to water, feed and care for their animals.

Basis of Scoring:

The Herdsmanship judges will use the following scoring guide in judging herdsmanship;

- Animals are clean at all times with proper grooming, bedding and care apparent.
- Animals are to be properly tied and penned.
- Animals are to be fed and watered per rules of the barn.
- Animals in small building are to have water available at all times and feed at proper times. Feed and water dishes are to be upright and any excess spillage cleaned up at all times.
- Stalls/Pens/Cages are clean and neat. Bedding is clean and fresh. Feed/feed pans and buckets clean and in place.
- All manure cleaned out and deposited in the designated areas.
- Tack and feed area should be kept clean and neatly arranged.
- Stall cards displayed neatly and complete.
- Exhibitor's share of the alley way should be kept clean at all times and free of equipment.

Time of Judging:

Herdsmanship will be checked daily for the duration of the fair with no designated time of day each day. Once will be in the morning and again at night. Each species will not be judged during their show day times.

Awards:

The "Golden Pitch Fork" is up for grabs, which goes to the club with the highest herdsmanship averages throughout the different species during the entire County Fair.

The coveted "Golden Pitch Fork" winning club will have a fun and exciting gift for each of their club members exhibiting livestock! The "Golden Pitch Fork" will be presented to the winning club.

Livestock Awards

Livestock Awards are given out to the Overall and Reserve Overall Market Animal and Breeding Animal in each livestock show. Rate of Gain winners will be awarded a special ribbon during their specie's show. The division winners do not receive a grand or reserve placings.

Awards are also given out to the Showmanship Champions and Reserve Champions in each age division.

Beef, meat goats and sheep are eligible for rate of gain if the animal was weighed at a county weigh in event. Weight must have been entered before the June 1st deadline on sd.4honline.com to be eligible.

State Fair Qualification and Deadlines

4-H members can take an exhibit to the State Fair regardless of the ribbon color it received at Achievement Days. Youth still need to exhibit the project/animal at Achievement Days in order to qualify for the South Dakota State Fair. An animal or project is not exhibited at the Achievement Days, it will not be allowed to exhibit at the South Dakota State Fair.

4-H t-shirts are available for pick up in Norby hall and must be worn for livestock shows.

For the 2018 State Fair, the Display (Static) exhibits will be limited to 10 this year. This means 4-H exhibitors will be able to enter exhibits or participate in the following three areas:

- Unlimited Youth in Action Events (Judging, Skill-A-Thons, Showmanship, Public Presentations, Special Foods, Fashion Revue)
- Animal Exhibits – up to 10 entries
- Display (Static) Exhibits – up to 10 exhibits.

Not counting unlimited Youth In Action entries, an exhibitor can enter a total of 10 animal exhibits and 10 static exhibits.

The registration for exhibits that are being exhibited at the South Dakota State Fair is due August 20th. The link to register projects will be www.sd4hstatefair.fairentry.com You will not be able to register for any projects after August 20th. Payment and the invoice from Fair Entry for the entries must also be submitted to the South Dakota State 4-H Office by the deadline.

Important Changes:

- **For the 2018 SD State Fair, there will be an August 20th deadline for all entries regardless of their ribbon placing (livestock, Youth-In-Action, and Static).**
 - Youth may exhibit up to 10 livestock entries and 10 static exhibits. They may participate in any Youth-In-Action Event before the August 20th deadline regardless of ribbon placing. Families are responsible for entering their youth for the State Fair through FairEntry.
 - All entry fees must be postmarked by August 20th to the State 4-H Office. Families are responsible for sending the money to the State 4-H Office, the Extension Office is not.
 - Adjustments to the entries can be made up to August 20th but anything received after that will be assessed a double entry fee. No adjustments can be made after August 20th.
 - Since there is no fee for Static Projects, you can make changes to your project without a fee up until August 20th.
 - All entries are non-refundable.
- Refer to the State Fair Schedule. There are some changes to the check-in/weigh-in times. There are also changes to the locations of some of the events.
- Refer to the Year Along Check Lists for each species to see any specifics that you need for your species.

State Fair Static Exhibits Information

- Projects will be housed in the Nordby Hall. Photography will be housed in Armory.
- **The Extension Office will need help with county booth set-up, project judging and booth tear-down!!!** If you are interested, please contact the Extension Office.
- Projects need to be in to the Extension Office no later than Monday, August 27th.
 - Horticulture, Eggs, and Food Exhibits for State Fair – These items must be into the Extension Office no later than Noon on Tuesday, August 28th.
 - Extremely large or heavy items will be the member's responsibility to bring to fair. If you are making a project that may fall under this description, please be sure to find an extension staff person at county fair to let you know whether the project will be your responsibility or not. Examples are: furniture, large metalwork, large wooden signs. Extension staff will be present at all times during achievement days.

Please leave the half-sheet and any other required forms with your exhibit.

- Make sure that you have the proper paperwork for your exhibit. You must have the 1/2 sheet that asks questions on what you learned on completing the project. If you do not have the half sheet, you will be docked ribbon places. It is the responsibility of the 4-H youth to make sure that the half sheet is on the project.
- Horticulture – If you receive a purple on any of the horticulture classes, you may enter that class or another vegetable class at the State Fair (this is due to the time between Achievement Days and the State Fair.)
- Food Exhibitors – If you are taking your baked goods to State Fair, please bring items in on a paper plate sealed in a clear plastic bag – one that closes with a zipper or a wire twist fastener. Do not use plastic wrap to cover plates of food.

State Fair Livestock Information

- 4-H t-shirts are available for pick up in Norby hall and must be worn for livestock shows.
- Refer to the State Fair Schedule. There are some changes to the check-in/weigh-in times. There are also changes to the locations of some of the events. You must be check-in/weigh-in during the assigned times in order to show!
- Refer to the Year Along Check Lists for each species to see any specifics that you need for your species.

Maximum on Livestock Entries

Youth are allowed to take **10 Livestock Exhibits** to the State Fair. If you have more than 10 Livestock Exhibits Eligible for the State Fair, you must decide which 10 you would like to bring.

Activities that do not count towards the 10 Livestock Exhibits include:

Fashion Revue	Judging	Performing Arts
Public Presentations	Special Foods	Premier Exhibitor
Livestock Skillathon	State 4-H Dog Show	State 4-H Livestock Judging Contest
State 4-H Shoot	Robotics Challenge	4-H Rodeo
Livestock Showmanship	State 4-H Horse Show	Static Exhibits

You are allowed 2 Livestock Entries per class. For example, you are only allowed to take 2 Commercial Barrows, 2 Commercial Gilts, 2 Purebred Barrows and 2 Purebred Gilts. So youth can only take a total of 8 swine exhibits with the two per lot.

4-H Livestock Entry Fees

Entry Fee- Fees have been waived this year for State Fair, and reduced for Horse Show. Make sure to read the State Fair book and Horse Show book thoroughly to make sure your family fully understands all changes. Make sure to enter all entries into FairEntry per child. A good rule of thumb for FairEntry is to enter as much information as you can. If you are having trouble, please contact the county office for assistance.

Blocking Chute Fee - All blocking chutes need to be pre-paid as part of the 4-H member's livestock entry process. Stickers will be available in the Livestock Complex office for those who have pre-paid for their chutes. Blocking chutes which have not been pre-paid will not be allowed on the fairgrounds.

Livestock Check-In— Exhibitors are responsible for checking in all livestock exhibits during their scheduled 4-H check-in. Any animal that is not officially checked in during the scheduled check in time will **not** be exhibited in the show. Registered or purebred animals must present registration papers at check in to eligible to show in purebred or registered classes. Market animals are allowed one weigh in during the scheduled check in time at the South Dakota State Fair.

Your animal is not checked in when you turn the health papers in at the gate. There are specific times for your animals to be checked in at the State Fair. Check your State Fair Book for the times. The schedule is listed at

the beginning of the State Fair Book. **If you do not check your animal in, you will not be allowed to show.**

Showmanship –Youth do not need to receive a purple ribbon in showmanship at their County Fair/4-H Achievement Days in order to enter. However, they must have an animal entered in the State Fair to register.

Beginner, Junior, and Senior Showmanship classes will follow the age division guidelines listed. Youth entered in showmanship must check in during their designated specie check-in time. Any youth not registered during the time of State Fair entries and checked in will be ineligible to compete. Show management will determine class breaks if necessary. Please read your specie's year long check list in the state fair book for more detail.

All 4-H showmen are required to wear a 4-H Exhibitor back tag as identification and follow the Livestock Exhibitor Dress Code guidelines listed. Back tags will be available at the Extension Office. Exhibitors must use their own animal for showmanship.