



# The Clover Connection

South Dakota State University Cooperative Extension

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Members, Leaders, Parents, and Friends,

Let's face we are all tired of COVID-19! Rules/guidelines continue to change. But change isn't always bad!?? Although things are DIFFERENT, there are still opportunities for us to make a difference, learn a new skill, or try new things.

I know I waited for what seemed an eternity for July 1 to come. Finally, we were able to do face to face meetings again. Downside 15 people or less using social distancing (but the upside was that no masks were required).

The next change will be August 1 (provided there are no major upswings) we will be able to move to 50 people in face to face meetings using social distancing. It seems we are moving slow, but at least we are moving forward! SDSU and Extension are dealing with this pandemic with a concise, science based approach. The bottom line is all lives matter, and you and your family's safety are the #1 concern.

The decision to move 2020 **livestock, static, and youth in action activities** to a virtual platform was a good, sound decision, BUT what is virtual and how do we accomplish that? There is no right or wrong with this. The basic thing I want each of you to keep in mind is that 4-H is a learning experience and our motto is to make the best better, so as long as there is a new learning experience involved and it is showcased in a virtual manner with photos, recorded video, or maybe even powerpoint (I do not care because learning is occurring). Please take the time, encourage your kids. Too many things have stopped, altered, or been cancelled in 2020 don't put 4-H on that list too. Not sure what to do next? Call me and I'll help.

Both of the extension offices have obtained some new equipment that can be used to help you with your virtual projects. Just contact the office to get on the list, and return the equipment soon as you are done with it. We will need the videos recorded on a jump drive and brought in to the office or emailed between August 1-7. The youth-in-action recorded activities, static projects, and livestock projects will be added to a one of a kind video that will be available to anyone who would like one.

Last week an email listing changes for the State Fair went out. Please read it or call and I can resend it. There are quite a few changes. I would like to see 2 static exhibits showcased at the State Fair from each of the youth. It would be great to have an overflowing booth!

In 4-H Spirit, Shari Rossow-Campbell/Walworth County 4-H Youth Advisor

## UPCOMING DATES AND DEADLINES

EVENT	DATE(S)	TIME	LOCATION
Summer Spotlight	July 23-26, 2020		SD State Fairgrounds, Huron
Virtual livestock, static, youth-in-action entires due	August 1-7, 2020		Stored on jump drive brought to county office
4-H Entry Deadline for SD State Fair	August 11, 2020		online in Fair Entry
State 4-H Dog Show	August 29, 2020		SD State Fairgrounds, Nordby Hall, Huron
State 4-H Horse Show	August 29-30, 2020		Heartland Rodeo Grounds, Huron
SD State Fair	September 3-7, 2020		SD State Fairgrounds, Huron
Herred Homecoming Parade	September 11, 2020		starts on Herreid Main Street, Herreid
SD 4-H State Shooting Sports Fall Shoot	September 12-13, 2020		Mitchell, SD
Selby Area Homecoming Parade	September 25, 2020		starts at Selby School, Selby
Aksarben Stock Show	September 24-27, 2020		Grand Island, Nebraska
Mobridge-Pollock Homecoming Parade	September 25, 2020		starts on Park Blvd in Mobridge
End of the 4-H Year	October 1, 2020		
National 4-H Week	October 4-10, 2020		
Western Junior Livestock Show	October 7-10, 2020		Pennington Co. Fairgrounds, Rapid City

**Summer adventure series : is ongoing for 11 weeks! The topics are Sports & Recreation, Art, My Future, Food, Water, Pets & Animals, Health & Wellness, Outdoor Education, & 4-H Proud. You can participate in 1 week, multiple weeks, or all 11 weeks! There are weekly challenges paying out \$300 in cash / week with no limit to how many times you can win. The link to register is: [https:// extension.sdstate.edu/event/south-dakota-summer-](https://extension.sdstate.edu/event/south-dakota-summer-)**

**Here are some online CDM contests for practice on prior to the SD State Fair virtual CDM contest (unless you are a senior level c4-Her—age 14-18 you may participate in person).**

Week 1: <https://sd4hcdm1.questionpro.com>

Week 2: <https://sd4hcdm2.questionpro.com>

Week 3: <https://sd4hcdm3.questionpro.com>

**Contact me for the answer keys! The Virtual State CDM Contest will be very similar to the practices.**

**This schedule is correct to the best of my knowledge as of today, but of course it may be subject to change given our current COVID-19 situation. I will try to keep everyone updated as warranted.**



# HERE'S THE NEWS

A virtual **Special Foods Workshop video** is available for parents and youth to check out! We have broken the Special Foods project down into 5 areas:

- 1) Objectives & Rules
- 2) Selecting a recipe, and writing menus
- 3) Understanding nutrition
- 4) Preparing the recipe
- 5) Setting the table

Please contact me if your youth is interested and I will get you the materials you need (including the video-Everything You Need to Know About the 4-H Special Foods Contest). The date has been set for August 3 at the Herreid Baptist Church. The time will be dependent on how many participants we have so please call to set a time for the Special Foods Contest.



Dakota Radio Group has come up with an alternative way to showcase 4-H this year. They would like pictures of your 4-H activities and projects you have worked on! Please email me: your pictures, first & last name, project description, club name & county and everything will be featured on [www.drgnews.com](http://www.drgnews.com), facebook, and the Dakota Radio Group in Mobridge. Only 1 catch! I need YOUR pictures by Friday, July 25 so they can get them organized and uploaded by August 1.



Also, DRG is looking for youth that would be interested in doing PSA (Public Service Announcements). They will send me the templates and we will record them and play them during the month of August. If you would like to do one of these PSA please give me a call.



We will also have pages in the Mobridge Tribune, Prairie Pioneer, and the Selby Record so start collecting the pictures you want to share with the local newspapers showcasing your 4-H accomplishments and achievements for this year. Once you have the pictures of you and your project(s), please email them to me at [shari.rossow@sdstate.edu](mailto:shari.rossow@sdstate.edu), or put them on a jump drive (I'll return the drive).

## **HOW DO WE PRESENT PROJECTS VIRTUALLY?**

**LIVESTOCK** Virtual shows are all the rage this year, but how do you actually do it? Videos should be approximately 3 minutes long for each animal showing the following views:

1) rear view -youth leading the animal while they are walking away from the camera

2) side view of the animal setup (as you would in the ring)

3) a front view of the animal setup (showing youth/animal from head to foot)

4) front view of the youth leading the animal

**All videos should be emailed to me or brought in on a jump drive. I will download the video and give you back your drive.**

**STATIC EXHIBITS:** Take a picture(s) or video of your project. Please include the completed display exhibit entry form. The form has been modified to include a spot for a recipe if you choose to enter food projects. You will find the display form **included with the newsletter email.**

**If you are a senior 4-H member who is completing your final year in 4-H your static exhibits will be judged at the SD State Fair.**

**If you are a senior level 4-H member age 14-18 involved in Youth-In-Action activities you also may do live in person presentations.**

**Note: For county you can virtually exhibit as many items as you like, but read the updated SD State Fair entry rules for the new updates and changes (including schedule changes).**

**1 photography exhibit can be entered for state fair (photo must be attached to a photo board)**

**VIDEO EQUIPMENT IS AVAILABLE FOR YOUR USE FROM THE EXTENSION OFFICE. JUST NEED YOUR PHONE CAMERA. Please return when finished.**



**If you or someone you know interested in becoming a certified 4-H Shooting Sports coach please contact me.**

**Campbell County & Walworth County Shooting 4-H Shooting Sports Match Deadlines:**  
**Match 1– Feb.15; Match 2: Mar. 15; Match 3: cancelled; Match 4: opening July 1 running til end of August.**

**If the Coaches and 4-Hers are willing to follow the guidelines, and wish to proceed we can set a schedule. (schedule will be posted after it is set). The guidelines have been relaxed and we can now practice (face masks are not required), social distancing, and 15 people or less in attendance at any practice or match. Effective August 1: the number of people can increase up to 50, social distancing, and face masks still recommended but not required. If you have youth age 8 by January 1, and enrolled in 4-H they are eligible to participate in the Shotgun program. Please contact the County offices for more information.**



**Registration papers for purebred livestock were to be uploaded to [4honline.com](http://4honline.com) by Wednesday, July 1. NOTE: THIS DEADLINE WAS EXTENDED, AND YOUTH ADVISORS ARE ABLE TO UPLOAD REGISTRATIONS IF ANY OF YOU NEED TO DO SO. If the animal is entered as registered and no papers are uploaded those animals will be moved to commercial class and will not show in the breed class.**

**4-H LIVESTOCK JUDGING CLASS : Open to anyone age 6 or older. Contact me and I will help you access our newest curriculum. I am continually assigning more new classes. Please log in and check it out! Some of you may have noticed I've been posting & sharing some opportunities on facebook. Feeding livestock, showmanship, breaking livestock to lead, some best practices from people who make a living doing this everyday!**



**Fair Entry is open and ready to accept entries. Go to [www.fairentry.com](http://www.fairentry.com) and find our fair. You'll be looking for the 2020 Walworth/Campbell County Fair and use your 4Honline account to login. Enter projects in the appropriate areas (2 projects/lot).**



**Our State 4-H Community Service Project for 2020! A blue jean drive (new or gently used jeans). All sizes mens, womens, boys, girls, toddler, and infants will be accepted by our local SDSU Extension offices in Mound City and Selby. These jean donations will be recorded and donated to anyone in need in our communities.**



**Teens for Jeans**  
*Coordinated by the South Dakota  
State 4-H Ambassadors*

SDSU  
**Extension**



Donate your new or gently used jeans of all sizes to your local 4-H/SDSU Extension office by **August 1, 2020!**

All donations will have a local impact! Visit [extension.sdstate.edu/about](http://extension.sdstate.edu/about) for office locations.

**The SD Game Fish Parks notified me that Hunt Safe will be available online until further notice. Location is under hunt, and hunter education on [gfp.sd.gov](http://gfp.sd.gov). Hunt Safe is required for youth aged 12-16 who are not participating in a mentored hunt. Also, SD Game Fish Parks dropped the age minimum for mentor hunting.**

