Lincoln County 4–H News

SIOUX EMPIRE FARM SHOW LIVESTOCK JUDGING
Lincoln County 4-H members are invited to participate in the livestock judging contest at the Sioux Empire Farm Show. The contest will be held Saturday, January 27 at 10:00 AM. If the 4-H'er notifies the Extension Office of their scores within 7 days of the contest, the scores will be a qualifier to the 2018 state livestock judging team contest.

Please notify the Extension Office by Monday January 8th if you're interested in competing.

AWARDS COMMITTEE
Lincoln County 4-H would like to review the awards given to our members at Achievement Days and Recognition Event. Leaders, parents, and 4-H members are invited to be a part of this committee. If you would like to discuss the awards presented to our members and the requirements to receive awards, please contact the Extension Office to join.

Words from your 4-H Office Team

Happy New Year, everybody!

We hope the coming of the new year has you as excited as we are! Some may find it a chance to set new resolutions. For others, a continuation of progress from 2017 may be just what you need.

For Lincoln County 4-H, both new ideas and continuations of our favorite programs will be coming up in 2018. If you have any ideas or suggestions of your own, we would love to hear them!

As always, we look forward to working with you all and getting to know you better in 2018.

Have a blessed New Year!

~Megan and Beth
# Lincoln County 4-H Calendar 2018

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## 4-H Re-enrollment
October 1, 2017 marked the first day of the new 4-H year! All members and leaders/volunteers must reenroll on 4-HOnline for the 2017-2018 4-H year.
Yearly fees for returning volunteers are $10. Fees for new volunteers are now $75. New volunteers must complete a Work Agreement Form and a HireRight background check.

The site to re-enroll is sd.4honline.com.

### For the latest info:

**Lincoln County 4-H website:** [www.lincolncountysd.org](http://www.lincolncountysd.org)
Click on 4-H/Extension in the quick links to the right; click on any of the 4-H Links to find info pertaining to Lincoln County 4-H including the 4-H newsletters.

**Lincoln 4-H Facebook**
Search “SDSU Extension Lincoln County 4-H” or use the link [https://www.facebook.com/SDSU-Extension-Lincoln-County-4-H-291846388331/timeline/](https://www.facebook.com/SDSU-Extension-Lincoln-County-4-H-291846388331/timeline/)

**Remind App**
The Lincoln County 4-H Office and Leaders Association will begin using Remind text service. To receive text messages, text @linco4h to 81010.

**iGrow.org**
iGrow is SDSU Extension’s official website. Check it out to find statewide resources for 4-H including news releases, registrations, and official results.
Coming in 2018
Lincoln County Event Dates
The 2018 Horse Show will be held on Saturday, June 30th. Prep Day for the 4-H Grounds will be held on Sunday, July 22nd beginning at 9 am. The Dog Show will be Saturday, July 28th. The 2018 Lincoln County Achievement Days will be Monday, July 30th—Thursday, August 2nd. More dates will be announced as they are set.

Implementing YQCA in South Dakota
South Dakota 4-H is excited to announce they have partnered with YQCA to provide our youth the YQCA certification program! Keep an eye out for training dates in the spring.

- For the upcoming year (Oct 2017-Sep 2018), SD 4-H will expect all youth (ages 8 to 21) exhibiting swine projects at county and/or the State Fair to complete YQCA certification.

For the 2018-19 4-H year, youth ages 8 to 21 exhibiting beef cattle, dairy cattle, dairy goats, meat goats, sheep, swine, poultry, and rabbits at county-level fairs or State Fair will be expected to become YQCA certified.

For complete information on YQCA go to iGrow.org

Never too soon to start 4-H projects
The slower time of the winter season is a great time to get started on 4-H projects! We have a project idea for you. The Extension Office is holding on to several discarded deed record book bindings where project ideas are limited to the reach of the imagination. Some ideas include bookshelf, side or coffee table, a jewelry box, and more.

4-H Journal
4-H members should be working on journals throughout the year. The journal is available on the Lincoln County 4-H website. We also have them available at the Extension Office.

Club Members contest 2018
Are you reading the news letter? Starting this month as you read the news letter look for the symbols that are out of place. There will be 3 in each news letter. Let us know at the office what they are and your name will go into a drawing for a $25.00 gift card to be given out at Recognition Event 2018.
4-H YEAR TIMELINE

**October**
- National 4-H Week
- New 4-H year begins
- CWF applications due

**November**
- Recognition Event

**December- January**
- Shooting Sports Begins
- Leaders Meeting

**February- March**
- Nose prints for AK SAR BEN due
- Fruit Sales sheets due
- Make & Take-It
- Leaders Meeting
- Weigh in date held for Market Beef

**April**
- Fruit sorting
- 4-H Insurance forms due to Club Leaders
- 4-H State Scholarships due
- Swine and Sheep weigh in
- State Shooting Sports-Ft. Pierre
- Summer Camp Registrations Due

**May**
- Swine and Sheep weigh in
- Public Presentation help day
- Dog classes begin
- Horse Safety Training

**June**
- Public Presentation
- 4-H Camp Poinsett
- TLC-Brookings
- Registration for Achievement Days
- County Horse Show

**July**
- Special Foods Event
- Fashion Review State Horse Show
- Judging School

**August**
- Preparation day for Achievement Days
- Achievement Days
- Clean up Day after Achievement Days
- Dog Show
- State Fair Registration
- State Fair
- Judging Schools

**September**
- Journals are due to your leaders
- Award Applications due
- Eastern Farmers Scholarship Due
- Leaders Meeting

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**
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Bring on the NEW YEAR!

WELCOME 2018

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