2020 Pennington County 4-H Achievement Days Guide

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July 2020
Dear 4-H Families,

Summer is here and it seems as though schedules and activities are slowly starting to pick up again after everything being put on hold for the last few months. The resumption of activities and events brings so much joy and excitement to all of us here in the 4-H world! As we slowly transition back into everyday life we need to be aware of our roles in providing safe and healthy environment for all. As the 4-H pledge says, we must pledge our “Health to Better Living” which in this case means we need to do our best to keep ourselves and those around us healthy in order to continue to “Make the Best Better”.

In this booklet, you will find information that pertains to how we will host the 2020 Pennington County Achievement days with slight modifications for the safety of all. We hope this information will help you to be more prepared for the upcoming events. If you have any questions in regards to this information please contact the 4-H office.

I hope to see many of you soon (socially distanced of course 😊) as we enjoy the days of summer ahead!
Sincerely,

Regina Bakley
SDSU Extension 4-H Youth Program Advisor – Pennington County
Safety Requirements

Due to COVID-19 all 2020 Pennington County shows and events will include limitations in order to provide the safest environment possible for exhibitors, families, and staff.

- Thoroughly wash hands with soap and water before interviewing and after.
- Masks are NOT required but encouraged.
  - We will have some masks on hand but if you prefer to wear one please try to bring your own.
- We are limited to 50 people in a group through the month of August.
- We encourage only "essential" individuals attend events.
  - 4-H Member, parent/Guardian, staff, judges, volunteers and facility maintenance.
- If you feel sick or have symptoms, we ask that you do NOT attend any Achievement Day Events!
2020 Pennington County 4-H Achievement Days Schedule

All events will be different than past years due to Covid-19 guidelines.

Saturday, August 1  Exhibit Entries due through http://pennco.fairentry.com/
If any contests, skill-a-thons, or shows do not have enough youth sign up we may cancel the event.

Monday, August 10 Pennington County 4-H Horse Show Entries due through https://fairentry.com/Fair/SignIn/14527

Tuesday, August 11 South Dakota State Fair Entries Due through https://fairentry.com/Fair/SignIn/14289

Monday, August 17 Pennington County 4-H Horse Show 8:00am – 3:00pm Central States Fairgrounds

Thursday, August 20 Interview and Exhibit Judging Day 8:30am – 3:00pm Walter Taylor 4-H Building
Display Exhibit – Entry Form – Use this for the exhibits you will NOT be interviewing with the Judges and/or you are sending your item to the State Fair.

Friday, August 21 Walter Taylor 4-H Building closed to the public
Fashion Revue Judging 10:00 am – Walter Taylor 4-H Building
Special Foods Contest 12:30 pm – Walter Taylor 4-H Building
Special Foods Handbook

Saturday, August 22 Walter Taylor 4-H Building open to the public 12:00 – 8:00pm (Style Show 5:00 pm – Walter Taylor 4-H Building

Sunday, August 23 Walter Taylor 4-H Building open to the public 12:00 – 8:00pm
Consumer Decision Making Skill-a-thon 12:00 – 5:00 pm – Walter Taylor 4-H Building
Public Presentations Contest 12:00 – 5:00 pm – Walter Taylor 4-H Building
Public Presentation Guide

Monday, August 24 Walter Taylor 4-H Building open to the public 12:00 – 8:00pm
Dog Skill-a-thon 4:00 – 8:00 pm – Walter Taylor 4-H Building
Dog Project Guide

Tuesday, August 25 Walter Taylor 4-H Building open to the public 12:00 – 8:00pm
Companion Animal Show 6:00 pm – Walter Taylor 4-H Building
Companion Animal Book

Wednesday, August 26 Walter Taylor 4-H Building open to the public 12:00 – 8:00pm
Horticulture Skill-a-thon 4:00 – 8:00 pm – Walter Taylor 4-H Building

Thursday, August 27 Walter Taylor 4-H Building open to the public 12:00 – 8:00pm
Poultry Show 6:00 pm – Walter Taylor 4-H Building
Poultry Showmanship

Friday, August 28 Walter Taylor 4-H Building open to the public 12:00 – 8:00pm
Veterinary Science Skill-a-thon 4:00 – 8:00 pm – Walter Taylor 4-H Building

Saturday, August 29 Walter Taylor 4-H Building open to the public 12:00 – 8:00pm
Rabbit Show and Rabbit Skill-a-thon - 1:00 pm – Walter Taylor 4-H Building
Rabbit Showmanship

Sunday, August 30 Walter Taylor 4-H Building closed to the public
Exhibits released and separated for travel to the state fair 12:00-3:00pm

Volunteers needed on Monday to help pack items
FYIs

Pennington County 4-H Achievement Days and SD State Fair are right around the corner. In fact, you can register your exhibits you wish to enter for the 2020 Pennington County 4-H Achievement Days through FairEntry - Penn Co. (Enter under, 2020 Pennington County 4-H Achievement Days)

You have until August 1st, 2020 to register for Achievement Days. (If any contests, skill-a-thons, or shows do not have enough youth sign up we may have to cancel that event.)

“2020 Vision for the Future”

Club Riser Decorations

This is your club’s chance to get creative and have some fun! Use this opportunity to display different STEM based activities that make you think of the future (think flying cars, robots, etc.) The club with the best set of risers will be recognized at the 2020 recognition event with the “Best Club Booth Award” and their decorations will be used at the 2020 South Dakota State Fair to represent Pennington County. Leaders may set up a time to decorate between August 18th-20th

Special Exhibits

Let’s get creative! 4-H members may present an exhibit that represents our theme, “2020 Vision for the Future”. Be creative by preparing an exhibit that represents the theme; it can be anything you want it to be as long as you can tie it to the theme! Get creative, and have some fun! The top three exhibits will win gift cards; 1st Place $100, 2nd Place $50 and 3rd Place $25.

Certificates of Veterinary Inspection (CVI)

All livestock exhibits need to be accompanied by a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection. This includes: Cats, Cattle, dogs, goats, poultry, rabbit, sheep, and swine. These certificates need to be issued within 30 days of the event by a veterinarian. Ask your veterinarian if they will issue these certificates for free to 4-H members. Call ahead to make an appointment and be sure to let them know this is for a CVI for a Pennington County 4-H Animal. The veterinarian will have the paperwork to complete this and give you the completed forms to bring to the show(s).
Exhibit Entries /2020 Event Changes – Each family will need to sign up for a time slot, within that time slot each youth will be allowed to interview judge TWO items.
https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080E4AA9AF22A7FA7-2020 The remainder of the items will need to be left on a side table to be judged throughout the day (there is no limit on entries at the county level). Once your time slot is over we ask that you DO NOT stick around to see what your other projects receive, we need time between groups to sanitize the judging area. The building will be open the remainder of the fair for you to stop by and check out your projects. There will not be a lunch provided to exhibitors on judging day this year. Please note, Food & Nutrition judges have the option to skip the taste test portion of the judging process.

Interview Day

The interview day on August 20th, this is your chance to show off what you have learned through your project area by preparing a static exhibit. Static exhibits can be prepared for any project area and entered into the Pennington County 4-H Achievement Days. For a comprehensive list of project areas and the exhibits youth can prepare, see the 2020 South Dakota State Fair book: https://extension.sdstate.edu/sites/default/files/2020-03/MC-00844.pdf

Preparing Exhibits

Once you have decided what to prepare for an exhibit, you’ll need to enter it into FairEntry - Penn Co. by August 1. On August 20, you will need to bring your exhibit with two items attached:

1. Entry Tag: You’ll pick these up on the Interview Day. This is a small card that has your name, some basic information about the exhibit, and a barcode that we scan to enter results.
   a. At check in, you will be given your cards to sort between items you are entering and items you decided not to complete – the items you DID BRING will have those tags scanned/checked in before you attach them to the item.
2. Exhibit Entry Forms: These forms accompany your exhibit and answer a few questions that will be helpful to the judge on the projects you will not be interview judging. These exhibit entry forms can be found at: https://extension.sdstate.edu/south-dakota-4-h/competitions-state-fair/state-fair under “Contestant Forms & Guidelines”. Some project areas have a specific form to fill out, but if they don’t, use the “Display Exhibits Entry Form”. You may pick these up at the office ahead of time if you prefer to hand write them.

**Note:** Only exhibits that will not be interview judged or that will be going to the South Dakota State Fair need an Exhibit Entry Form. However, we strongly advise that you complete a display exhibit entry form for each exhibit as they will help you to prepare for the interview questions.

*For example:*
If you are not able to make the interview on August 20\(^{th}\), **you will need an exhibit entry form.**

If your exhibit is going to go to the South Dakota State Fair, **you need an exhibit entry form**, even if you are participating in the interview judging.

If you made more than two exhibits you would like judged, the items you plan to leave behind to be judged **need the exhibit entry form.**

**When to arrive/process for the day:**
Judging will begin at 8:30 am and run through 3:00 pm. In order to make sure that the judge’s time is used as efficiently as possible, we ask that you arrive at the time slot your family is signed up for and get your items checked in as quickly as possible.

You will pick one of your exhibits, go to the appropriate judging area and wait to speak with a judge. The judge will ask you some general questions about your exhibit, assess the quality, give you feedback, and award a ribbon placing. Once this is finished, you’ll take your exhibit to be scanned and recorded at the results table where they will give you your ribbon or ribbon sticker. After your results have been recorded, you will take your exhibits to your club riser for display during the fair. Repeat this process for the 2\(^{nd}\) project you choose. The rest will need to be dropped off on the correct tables for being judged later. **If you are unable to make the interview day.** Exhibits may be dropped off on
August 20\textsuperscript{th} from 7:30am-12:00pm at the Walter Taylor 4-H Building or during normal business hours August 17-19.

**Lunch**

Due to the developments of the COVID-19 pandemic there will be NO lunch for 4-Hers or families (The judges will be provided lunch as they are required to be present all day).

**Awards**

On the interview day, the judges will assign a ribbon placing to your exhibit. These ribbon placings are:

- Purple: The exhibit is superior
- Blue: The exhibit is excellent
- Red: The exhibit is average
- White: The exhibit has room for improvement

Each exhibit is judged against a set of standards for the particular project area. To find out what those standards are, you can visit: [https://extension.sdstate.edu/south-dakota-4-h/competitions-state-fair/state-fair](https://extension.sdstate.edu/south-dakota-4-h/competitions-state-fair/state-fair) and see the static exhibits score cards under “Display Exhibits”

**Premiums**

The Pennington County 4-H leader’s Association awards premiums for each ribbon that 4-H members receive during the Pennington County 4-H Achievement Days. These monies are dispersed at the recognition event each year usually held the first Sunday of November. This date will be finalized at the next Leaders Meeting and will be emailed to everyone as soon as possible. For each ribbon placing, members will receive:

- $.25 for each white ribbon
- $.50 for each red ribbon
- $.75 for each blue ribbon
- $1.00 for each purple ribbon

*Maximum of $20 per member*

The Premier Exhibitor awards are based on your participation and ribbon placings during the Pennington County 4-H Achievement Days. A premier exhibitor will be recognized in each age division, Beginner, Junior, and Senior. One overall premier exhibitor will have their names immortalized on the Pennington County 4-H Member Recognition Wall. Each premier exhibitor will be announced at the 2020 Recognition event.
Youth in Action Events

Fashion Revue/Style Show

Fashion Revue will be held on Friday, August 21, 10:00 a.m. at the Walter Taylor 4-H Building. (Sign up is required- Time slots to follow)

Fashion Revue is a youth-in-action event focusing on modeling clothing items (constructed, sew & buy, selected outfit, challenge outfit), creativity or buymanship, and product knowledge. Participants should complete the required forms for their outfit, found in the Fashion Revue Contestant Packet, and bring them the day of Fashion Revue.

The following are the available categories for the Pennington County Fashion Revue Event:

- Constructed – contestant sewed the outfit
- Sew & Buy – contestant sewed a portion of the outfit (i.e. pair of shorts) and purchased the remaining pieces (i.e. shirt)
- Selected – contestant purchased the outfit

The Style Show will be held on Saturday, August 22, 5:00 p.m. at the Walter Taylor 4-H Building.

The Style Show is an opportunity for Fashion Revue contestants to model their outfits on stage. Participants are asked to be at rehearsal for the style show at 4:00 p.m. Style Show participants must complete and provide narration and a photo as requested in the State Fair Fashion Revue Packet, for each garment you wish to model and return to the Pennington County 4-H office no later than July 31st.

In order to receive special awards participants MUST be present AND model at the Style Show.

Fashion Revue packet - https://extension.sdstate.edu/sites/default/files/2020-03/MC-00799.pdf This contains the forms that will be needed for the Fashion Revue Judging. Note that the packet contains information for the State Fair Fashion Revue. Please disregard this information when completing items for the Central States Fair.

Fashion Review/2020 Event Changes—Participants will select a time-slot in Signup Genius. Exhibitors present their outfit(s) to the judges, receive their ribbons (purple, blue, red, white, or Cloverbud), take their picture and then leave premises with their entire party. Each participant can have a maximum of 10 spectators in attendance. We recommend this be limited to immediate family members.
Special Foods will be held on Friday, August 21, with 12:30 p.m. & 3:00 p.m. shifts at the Walter Taylor 4-H Building. *(Sign up is required – Time slots to follow)*

Special Foods is a youth-in-action event focused on creating a nutritionally balanced dish in a safe and timely manner, presenting your dish on a visually appealing place setting, and nutrition knowledge (in general and for contestant specifically). Contestants will create a nutritionally balanced menu and will have 1 ½ hours to prepare their selected recipe, create a place setting and serve one (1) serving, and provide nutrition knowledge. Participants should complete the required forms for their age division, found in the Special Foods Contestant Packet, and bring them the day of the Special Foods Contest.

SD 4-H Special Food Handbook –
https://extension.sdstate.edu/sites/default/files/2020-05/MC-00800-v2.pdf

Special Foods Packet - https://extension.sdstate.edu/sites/default/files/2019-04/MC-00367.pdf This contains the forms that will be needed for the Special Foods Contest. Note that the packet contains information for the State Fair Special Foods Contest. Please disregard this information when completing items for the Central States Fair.

**Special Foods/2020 Event Changes** – We ask that individuals competing in the Special Foods Contest wear a mask during the cooking portion of the event to provide a safe environment for the judge and the food they are preparing. This event is limited to the participant and one parent/guardian. No spectators will be allowed.
Public Presentations

Public Presentations will be held on Sunday, August 23, 12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. at the Walter Taylor 4-H Building. (Sign up is required- time slots to follow)

Public Presentations are a fun way to learn new knowledge and share it with others. Giving public presentations helps youth gain skills that help them become valuable leaders to others.

Presentation Types are as follows:
- Demonstrations (showing how)
- Illustrated talks (telling how with visuals)
- Project Why (teaches why & the use)
- Public Speaking (talking).

South Dakota 4-H Member Public Presentation Guidelines
https://extension.sdstate.edu/sites/default/files/2020-05/MC-00853-v2.pdf

Public Presentation/2020 Event Changes—Participants will select a time-slot in Signup Genius. Exhibitors present to the judges, receive their ribbons (purple, blue, red, white, or Cloverbud), take their picture and then leave premises with their entire party. Presentations can have a maximum of 10 spectators in attendance. We recommend this be limited to immediate family members. Presenters are not required to wear a mask.

"If you can speak, you can influence. If you can influence, you can change lives."
Skill-A-Thons

Consumer Decision Making Skill-a-Thon

The CDM Skill-a-thon will be held on Sunday, August 23, 12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. at the Walter Taylor 4-H Building.

Each day youth make consumer decisions ranging from deciding which snack to choose to which cell phone plan meets their needs. Making consumer decisions can become confusing. The sheer volume of choices including in-person and online options easily becomes overwhelming. Fortunately, through experiences where sound decision-making skills are taught and practiced youth can increase their ability to apply those skills and prevent poor decision-making habits. The goal of the 4-H Consumer Decision Making Program is to teach youth how to make wise consumer choices. South Dakota 4-H Consumer Decision Making Guide - https://extension.sdstate.edu/state-fair

Dog Skill-a-Thon

The Dog Skill-a-thon will be held on Monday, August 24, 4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. at the Walter Taylor 4-H Building.

The Dog Skill-a-thon is an educational activity to test dog science knowledge and skill and gain experience in decision making to further youth’s success with canines. Questions may be asked with visual aids such as models, pictures, etc. and the format of questions can be matching, multiple choice, short answer, etc.

Contact the 4-H Office for Study Information.

Horticulture Skill-a-Thon

The Horticulture Skill-a-thon will be held on Wednesday, August 26, 4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. at the Walter Taylor 4-H Building.

The Horticulture Skill-a-thon is an educational activity to test horticulture knowledge and skill and gain experience in decision making to further youth’s success with plants and vegetation. Questions may be asked with visual aids such as models, pictures, etc. and the format of questions can be matching, multiple choice, short answer, etc.

Contact the 4-H Office for Study Information.

Veterinary Science Skill-a-Thon

The Veterinary Science Skill-a-thon will be held on Friday, August 28, 4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. at the Walter Taylor 4-H Building. If not enough entries into this event it may be cancelled.

The Veterinary Science is an educational activity to test veterinary science knowledge and skill and gain experience in decision making to further youth’s success with veterinary science. Questions may be asked with visual aids such as models, pictures, etc. and the format of questions can be matching, multiple choice, short answer, etc.

Contact the 4-H Office for Study Information.
Companion Animal Show (Formerly known as the Cat Show)

The Companion Show will be held on Tuesday, August 25, 6:00 p.m. at the Walter Taylor 4-H Building.

All Companion Animals exhibited must be accompanied by a CVI that has been issued within 30 days of exhibition. All Cats and Ferrets must have current vaccinations for rabies. Exhibitors will be responsible for transporting companion animals in proper carrying cases. Companion animals may be shown as an exhibit and/or in showmanship.

Exhibitors in Showmanship are judged on personal appearance, appearance of the animal, handling of the animal, and knowledge of species facts. Exhibitors are expected to follow dress code; white long-sleeved or 4-H shirt tucked into long, dark colored jeans or pants, and shoes with a closed toe.

Companion Animal Show - Showing your pet at the fair can be a fun and rewarding experience! This year our county achievement days is offering you the opportunity to show the following companion animals of these ages: Cat/Kittens – 4 months, Ferrets – 4 months, Chinchillas – 7 weeks, Guinea pigs – 4 weeks, Gerbils, Hamsters, mice, and rats – 4 weeks, hedgehogs – 5 weeks, pet rabbits – 9 weeks. All animals must be weaned prior to show. If you wish to bring any animals outside of this list please contact the Pennington County 4-H office first to be sure we will have a judge for the animal.

There are just a few things you want to think about prior to showing to make the experience enjoyable. In general, you will be judged on a combination of your pet’s overall appearance, its housing, the quality of care you provide, and your knowledge of the animal. Companion animals are those that cannot be entered into another animal show during the fair. Check with the 4-H office if you have questions.

SD 4-H Companion Animal Book - https://extension.sdstate.edu/sites/default/files/2020-03/P-00096.pdf

Companion Animal/2020 Event Changes – Rabbit and Companion animal showman will be responsible for bringing their own carpet square or mat for the show. Each showman will be given their own table as “home base” the judge will move from person to person and award ribbons. The showmanship will occur simultaneously with the animal judging, once you have met with the judge you are free to exit the show area.
The Poultry Show will be held on Thursday, August 27, 6:00 p.m. at the Walter Taylor 4-H Building.

All poultry exhibited must be accompanied by a CVI that has been issued within 30 days of exhibition. Exhibitors will be responsible for transporting poultry in proper carrying cases. Poultry may be shown as an exhibit and/or in showmanship.

Exhibitors in Poultry Showmanship are judged on personal appearance, appearance of the bird, handling of the bird, and knowledge of poultry facts and the poultry industry. Exhibitors are expected to follow dress code of a white long-sleeved or 4-H shirt tucked into long, dark colored jeans or pants, and shoes with a closed toe.


Poultry Show/2020 Event Changes – Exhibitors are required to bring their animals in to the show ring in proper carrying cages. Each showman will be given their own table as “home base” the judge will move from person to person and award ribbons. The showmanship will occur simultaneously with the animal judging, once you have met with the judge you are free to exit the show area. (Weather permitting, the poultry show will take place behind the Walter Taylor 4-H Building.)
The Rabbit Show will be held on Saturday, August 29, 1:00 p.m. at the Walter Taylor 4-H Building. Exhibitors Check-in at 12:30PM.

Rabbit exhibitors may enter as many breeds as they wish. All rabbits exhibited must be accompanied by a CVI that has been issued within 30 days of exhibition. Exhibitors will be responsible for transporting rabbits and cavies in proper carrying cages. Rabbits may be shown as an exhibit and/or in showmanship.

Exhibitors in Rabbit Showmanship are judged on personal appearance, appearance of the rabbit/cavy, handling of the rabbit/cavy, and knowledge of rabbit facts. Exhibitors are expected to follow dress code of a white long-sleeved, or 4-H shirt tucked into long, dark colored jeans or pants, and shoes with a closed toe.

Rabbit Showmanship Tutorial: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sqodpNT-fW8&t=5s

Rabbit Show/2020 Event Changes – Rabbit and Companion animal showman will be responsible for bringing their own carpet square or mat for the show. Each showman will be given their own table as “home base” the judge will move from person to person and award ribbons. The showmanship will occur simultaneously with the animal judging, once you have met with the judge you are free to exit the show area.
4-H Building Watch List

The Walter Taylor 4-H building will be open to fairgoers August 22-29 from 12PM (noon) until 8:00PM. This allows fairgoers the opportunity to see the exhibits that our Pennington County 4-H Members have spent their 4-H year preparing. Each club is asked to help fill two, two-hour timeslots to watch the building and answer questions the public may have. Each club will need to have one adult and two youth to watch the building.

Building Watch Volunteer Schedule - https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080E4AA9AF22A7FA7-building1

50/50 Raffle

Pennington County 4-H has again been given the outstanding opportunity to raise funds through a 50/50 raffle during the Central States Fair (CSF). We have partnered with the CSF to conduct a 50/50 raffle during the fair with proceeds going to benefit youth programs such as 4-H. We'll be selling the 50/50 raffle tickets each day the grandstand does NOT have a concert with a drawing at the end of each non-concert event. Please note each time slot needs one adult and one 4-H member.

Locations to sell raffle tickets:

Grandstands: 5:15-8:15pm

Drawing will take place at 8:45pm

Sign up to sell raffle tickets at: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080E4AA9AF22A7FA7-50502
Volunteers

Pennington County 4-H relies on volunteers to make sure that Achievement Days are successful. You do not have to be a registered 4-H volunteer and it will only take a few hours of your time. Please visit the sign-up genius links below to see how you can volunteer and ensure all of our Achievement Days events are successful.

**Interview Day Volunteers** - [https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080E4AA9AF22A7FA7-interview2](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080E4AA9AF22A7FA7-interview2)

**Animal Shows Volunteers** - [https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080E4AA9AF22A7FA7-animal2](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080E4AA9AF22A7FA7-animal2)

- Companion Animal Show
- Poultry Show
- Rabbit Show

**Youth in Action Volunteers** - [https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080E4AA9AF22A7FA7-youthinaction1](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080E4AA9AF22A7FA7-youthinaction1)

- Fashion Revue
- Special Foods
- Style Show
- Consumer Decision Making
- Public Presentations
- Dog Skill-a-thon
- Horticulture Skill-a-thon
- Veterinary Science Skill-a-thon

Volunteers needed on Monday, August 31st from 8am – 12pm to help pack items for transportation to the State Fair. Please contact the office if you can help.
Pennington County 4-H Achievement Days

Emergency Action Plan

Remember in a life-threatening situation, protect: People 1st; Livestock/animals 2nd; Building/equipment/projects 3rd

Emergency meeting location and shelter: Walter Taylor 4-H Building

Weather: Weather will be checked prior to and during all 4-H events. If danger appears likely, Extension Staff may activate emergency action plan. Methods of reaching people include club phone trees, email, and Facebook.

Be prepared during a weather warning to secure animals in cages before going to designated shelter area. Pennington County 4-H follows the 30/30 Rule: shelter must be taken when there is 30 seconds or less between lightning and thunder, and all must remain sheltered for 30 minutes after the last audible thunder or visible lightning.

Action steps upon activation of safety plan by Extension Staff:

- Secure livestock in appropriate barn
- Barn superintendent and Extension Staff will secure large barn doors once animals are inside
- Seek shelter in Walter Taylor 4-H Building and stand away from walls and windows

If danger is imminent, everyone must move IMMEDIATELY to the Walter Taylor 4-H Building for shelter. It is possible that Extension Staff could bypass securing livestock and go directly to this stage to ensure safety and well-being of all people involved.

Fire: In case of fire in or next to any structure immediately communicate "Fire", evacuate buildings, and call 911. Do not risk your safety by fighting a fire.

Animal Emergencies: The closest veterinarian office is the Dakota Hills Veterinary Clinic 1571 SD-44, Rapid City, SD 57703, (605) 342-7498 located roughly 1 mile directly east of the Walter Taylor 4-H Building. To help staff in the event of an animal emergency, please ensure stall/cage cards are accurately and legibly filled out with the best number to reach the animal's owner.

Chain of Command: Incidents should be reported to the Pennington County 4-H Office. The Extension Staff should be notified immediately and will be in command until the arrival of emergency personnel, at which time the command of the incident will be turned over to them.

Emergency Contact Numbers

Emergency Responders: 911 Rapid City Police (non-emergency): (605) 394-4131

Pennington County Sheriff: (605) 394-6113 Pennington County Extension Office: (605) 394 2188