



Butte Lawrence December 2023



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- Dec. 1- Deadline to get your Livestock Sale Thank you to your buyer
- Dec. 2-SS Coaches Training-Britton
- Dec. 4- Butte Lawrence County fair Board Christmas Party at the Branding Iron Belle Fourche 6:30pm.
- Dec. 17th Junior Leader's Christmas Party (see the information within the email)
- Dec. 20- Bernice Lemmel Scholarship Deadline
- Dec. 25-26 Closed for Christmas Break
- Dec. 29-Deadline to pick up Fair Premiums or they will be forfeited back to the Fair Board
- Dec. 31-Deadline for Charter Renewals

January 2024

- Jan. 8-CDM & Horticulture Judging at St. Onge Hall 4:30-7:00- Range Riders Hosting
- Jan. 13-SS Coaches Training-Wessington Springs
- Jan. 17-4-H Day at the Capitol-Pierre
- Jan. 20-SS Coaches Training-Faulkton

February 2024

- Feb. 3-Youth Day at Black Hills Stock Show
- Feb. 15-SS End of Match 1
- Feb. 16-Scores for SS Match 1 due to John by 9:30 am (CST)

Merry Christmas

And Happy New Year



Butte/Lawrence/Meade County Bernice Lemmel 4-H Memorial Scholarship

One scholarship of \$1000 is being awarded in January 2024 to an eligible Butte/Lawrence/Meade 4-H member. The scholarship is applicable to any field of study at any accredited university, college, or trade school. There will be a limit of one (1) scholarship awarded to any single individual. The scholarship is not renewable. The scholarship recipient will be selected by Bernice Lemmel's family. The scholarship will be presented at the beginning of the second trimester of the recipient's freshman year after proof of enrollment is submitted. Recipient must meet the criteria listed below and submit the attached application.

State News

2024 4-H Day at the Capitol

The 4-H Civic Education Committee is excited to announce that we have a date for the 2024 4-H Day at the Capitol! This year's event will be held on Wednesday, January 17th, 2024 in Pierre. More details will to come in the next weeks regarding specific event details.

4-H Coach and Chaperone Application

Each year, South Dakota 4-H members have the opportunity to compete at National competitions and attend National leadership opportunities. We are continuously looking for talented individuals to coach teams and accompany youth on these experiences. Anyone interested in these opportunities should visit <https://extension.sdstate.edu/4-h-coach-and-chaperone-application> and complete the application. The office is currently collecting applications for individuals interested in coaching or chaperoning 4-H members competing in 2024. We are also looking for folks to chaperone experiences such as Citizenship Washington Focus, summer camps, Performing Arts, and SkillsX (formerly Teen Leadership Conference).

SD 4-H Leaders Association offers a camp scholarship program:

There is a \$50 scholarship available for 4-H'ers who attend Camp Poinsett or Storm Mountain. There is a \$75 scholarship available for 4-H'ers who attend TLC or Performing Arts or SDSU Livestock Judging Camp. Here is how the scholarship program works.

- **Step 1 – Register for the 2023 camp and pay the full camp fees.**
- **Step 2 – Attend camp and have a great time!!**
- **Step 3 – Tell a group about camp. For the \$50 4-H Camp scholarship, tell one group. For the \$75 TLC or Performing Arts Camp or Livestock Judging scholarship tell two groups.**
- **Step 4 – Complete the camp assistance/scholarship application form with all signatures and submit to the SD 4-H Leaders. You will receive your scholarship money within 2 weeks of its receipt.**

Applications are due by December 31, 2023.

Go to the SD 4-H Leaders website <http://www.southdakota4hleaders.com> or click here for the form:

<http://www.southdakota4hleaders.com/Apps/App-CampFeeAssistance.pdf>

The SD 4-H Leaders offers a scholarship assistance program to provide a \$75 scholarship to assist with travel and clothing expenses for 4-H Ambassadors.

Here's how it works:

***Step 1 – You were chosen as a 4-H Ambassador!**

***Step 2 – Tell 2 groups about your Ambassador role and plans. You may choose to tell your 4-H Club, your FFA chapter, a class at school, etc. Spread the word about this great opportunity!**

***Step 3 – Complete the application with all signatures and submit to the SD 4-H Leaders. You will receive your scholarship money within 2 weeks of its receipt. Applications are due by December 31, 2023.**

Go to the SD 4-H Leaders website <http://www.southdakota4hleaders.com> or click here for the form:

<http://www.southdakota4hleaders.com/Apps/App-AmbassadorScholarship.pdf>

A \$75 scholarship is available to any SD 4-Her that was chosen at the state level for competing at the national level, where the trip is not funded by SD 4-H. The National Trips specified as eligible for the \$75 scholarship in 2023 are:

- 1) National 4-H Shooting Sports Event in Grand Island, NE in June 2023 – teams competing in Air Pistol, Air Rifle, 22 Rifle, 22 Pistol, Compound Archery, Recurve Archery, Shotgun, Muzzleloader, Hunting Skills**
- 2)NAILE - North American International Livestock Exposition**
- 3)FCS Skillathon Denver and Fashion Revue Contest Denver (National Western Stock Show)**
- 4)National Land & Range Judging - OK**

4-H members are required to attend the contest, come back and report on the trip to 2 groups, and then submit the request for the \$75 scholarship.

Here's how it works:

***Step 1 – Attend the event!**

***Step 2 – Tell 2 groups about your trip. You may choose to tell your 4-H Club, your FFA chapter, a class at school, etc. Spread the word about the great opportunity you had to compete at the national level in 4-H!**

***Step 3 – Complete the application form with all signatures and submit to the SD 4-H Leaders. You will receive your scholarship money within 2 weeks of its receipt. Applications are due by December 31, 2023.**

Go to the SD 4-H Leaders website <http://www.southdakota4hleaders.com> or click here for the form:

<http://www.southdakota4hleaders.com/Apps/App-NationalTripScholarship.pdf>

State News

SD 4-H Mini Grants Available

As you are gearing up to plan for this next 4-H year – you may want to consider applying for a Mini Grant!

Mini grant applications are due December 31st. They must be received via email or postmarked by 12/31/23. Late applications will not be considered.

<http://southdakota4hleaders.com/doc/App-MiniGrant2024.pdf> or

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The grant amount available per county is \$400. Counties may choose to do projects together – 2 counties can apply for \$800 for a combined project – 3 counties can apply for \$1200 for a combined project. The max amount available for a single project is \$1200.

Note: If you received a grant in this past 4-H year, you are required to submit a report on the project before you are eligible to apply for this year's grant opportunity.

So what is a Mini Grant? Each year, the State 4-H Leaders of SD award Mini-Grants across the state to county or 4-H club projects. The purpose of the 4-H Grants Program is to address youth needs at the local level. The State 4-H Leaders of SD recognize that the greatest impact of 4-H occurs at the local level, usually between youth and 4-H volunteers.

Criteria for awarding funds include:

- * Potential for youth involvement in the planning and implementation of the project. *
- Potential impact on addressing youth issues at a local level through either a traditional or nontraditional setting. *
- Potential for increasing life skill outcomes for youth. *
- Potential for reaching expanded youth audiences e.g. at-risk low income, single parent families, other cultures, disabled, etc. *
- Potential for transitioning new youth audiences into more “traditional” or ongoing 4-H programs.

Grants funds can be used to purchase educational materials and supplies, expenses/honorariums for speakers, travel and training. Generally, snacks for refreshments, give-away items, e.g. t-shirts, etc. and building rental are not approved expenditures.

Monies can't be used for capital equipment or hardware (defined as items and material with a life expectancy of greater than five years) or building drives.

Please contact sd4hleaders@santel.net with questions.

4-H Leadership Level-Up Resource Published

Do you have 4-H youth that you work with that are showing signs of disengagement? Are you an older 4-H youth that thinks 4-H doesn't have anything to offer you anymore? Think again! The Leadership Outcome Team has developed a resource that compiles all of the next level opportunities available to young people looking to expand their leadership potential in 4-H. This resource provides a brief description of each opportunity, a direct quote from a past participant, and ways to learn more. Level-up your leadership today: <https://extension.sdstate.edu/leadership-level-hot-sheet>

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8:00-5:00

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 **across America** who are learning
leadership, citizenship and
life skills.