



Brown County 4-H

February 2022 Newshound

Scholarships Available for Graduating 4-H Members

Brown County graduating 4-H members have several opportunities to win scholarships to showcase their 4-H achievements! Here are a few opportunities:

Brown County Leader's Scholarship—This scholarship is \$250 and made possible by the Brown County 4-H Leader's Association. This scholarship will be awarded to every member that does the criteria listed on form. If there are any questions, they can contact Sandy Osterman 605-380-3526. An application form is attached and must be returned by April 29, 2022 to Brown County 4-H Office, 400 24th Ave. NW Aberdeen, SD 57401.

Community and Family Extension Leader's Scholarship—The CFEL Clubs of Brown County will be sponsoring two \$300 scholarships to Brown County 4-H youth. The deadline for the scholarship materials to be returned to the 4-H office is Tuesday, February 15th, 2022.

Brown County Crop Improvement Association Scholarship—The Brown County Crop Improvement Association will be sponsoring one \$500.00 scholarship to a Brown County high school senior planning to further their education in an agricultural related field at a higher education level South Dakota school. The student would be provided \$250.00 each of the two semesters of their freshman year. Students wishing to apply must submit the following to Becca Tullar, 4-H Youth Program Advisor, 400 24th Ave NW, Aberdeen, SD 57401. The application deadline is Friday, March 18, 2022. The Brown County Crop Improvement Association Board of Directors will make the final selection.



Are you Enrolled?

The new 4-H Year started on October 1st and runs through September 30th. If you have not yet enrolled, please go to 4-H Online by visiting <https://v2.4honline.com/#/user/sign-in>. If you are a new member, you will need to set up a profile and follow the steps. If you have participated in 4-H before, you will log in to re-enroll. Please contact the 4-H Office if you need your password reset, DO NOT create a new profile. All youth enrollment & project area selection is due by May 31st, 2022.

National Random Act of Kindness Day

February 17th is National Random Act of Kindness Day. We hope you will celebrate the whole month of February! Think about how your club can participate and let us know so we can share your Random Acts of Kindness with others! Here are some ideas to get you started:

- . Leave money on a vending machine for someone
- . Send valentines to residents in a retirement home
- . Pick up litter in a parking lot
- . Let someone go in front of you in line
- . Give compliments
- . Hold a door
- . Thank a teacher
- . Babysit for free
- . Do a favor without asking for anything in return
- . Make someone cookies
- . Make a family member breakfast in bed or pack them a lunch for the day
- . Write someone an encouraging note





SD 4-H State Fair Overnight Barn Supervisor

Position will run during the 2022 State Fair from 8pm-8am. Responsibilities would include monitoring swine, beef, sheep, goat, poultry and rabbit barns for any issues or concerns including sick or injured animals. Being available to assist with any issues in these areas during the nighttime hours. Communicate with livestock committees of any issues or things needed to be done. Prepare show arenas for morning 4-H livestock shows.

Candidate will be provided a golf cart for use along with a camping spot if needed. The candidate should be of high integrity and have experience with and knowledge of livestock and 4-H practices.

Deadline to express interest to kasee.hieb@sdstate.edu is May 1, 2022.

Rodeo Update

All of the new rodeo documents have been updated on the extension website <https://extension.sdstate.edu/state-4-h-rodeo-resources> . This includes the following:

1. 2022 Contestant Packet (Due May 1)
2. Insurance declaration form
(which is to be turned into to the Brown County 4-H Office,
not sent to the finals secretary)

2022 Teen Leadership Conference

Save the Date!

Please help the TLC planning committee in promoting the official dates and location of the 2022 Teen Leadership Conference on June 6-10 at South Dakota State University (SDSU). You read that right, we will be back at SDSU this year, in hopes of offering the best TLC event yet. Teaser alert: This might be the year teens get to find their GROOVE!





Its Fruit Sale Time!!

Beginning February 1st, 2022, you can be a part of our annual Brown County 4-H Fruit Sale. All 4-H members are encouraged to contact friends, family and everyone in between to sell these wonderful products. We are challenging each 4-H member to sell at least five boxes of fruit or \$100 worth of product to help make our fundraiser as successful as possible.

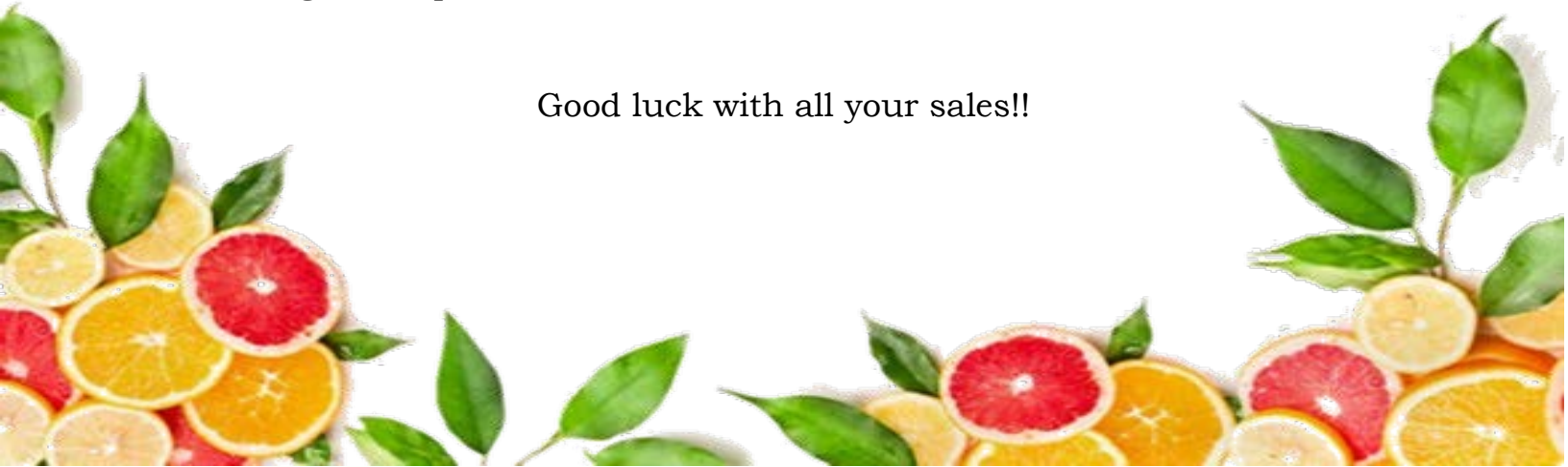
Sale materials will be mailed out to 4-H club leaders and independent families. If extra order forms are needed, they will be available at the Brown County 4-H office. Members should return all order forms and money to your club coordinator by your club's due date.

Clubs and independent families are reminded to turn their Total Club Sales Report in to the 4-H office by noon on February 25th, 2022. The fruit and products will be delivered on Tuesday, March 15th, 2022, at which time 4-H members and families are responsible for delivering their fruit to their customers.

Why participate in the fruit sale? Profits from the fruit sale impact members two-fold with 50 percent going to the individual clubs and 50 percent to the Brown County 4-H Leaders Association. The Leaders Association uses these monies to fund 4-H activities, awards and scholarships as well as assist members and leaders with the costs incurred while participating in 4-H educational activities.

If you have any questions, please contact Brown County 4-H Fruit Sale Coordinators Brad and Angie Sharp

Good luck with all your sales!!





YQCA Information—Mandatory Training Required

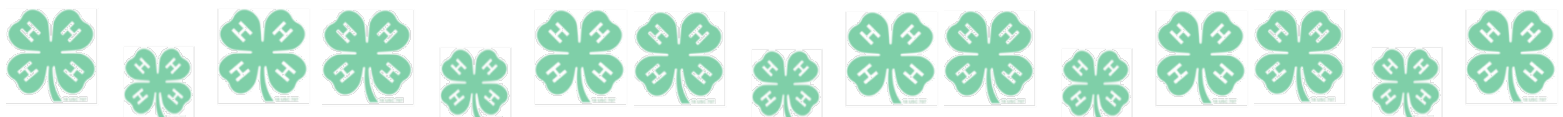
YQCA certification is being accepted by many livestock shows and fairs that require youth quality assurance certification. Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) is a national multi-species quality assurance program for youth ages 8 to 21. The program is designed to provide an estimated 60 minutes of education each year. The online program requires the passing of a series of three quizzes to earn certification. An in-person YQCA workshop requires complete attendance. YQCA is the result of a collaborative effort between states that have previously offered multi-species youth livestock quality assurance programs, the National Pork Board's Youth PQA Plus program and representatives from other national livestock groups. YQCA is available as an online or face to face program for youth everywhere in the United States.

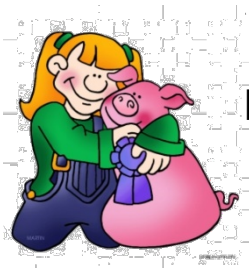
YQCA in-person workshops may be available to youth where state 4-H or FFA offices or state/national livestock organizations have partnered to have qualified trainers offer in-person workshops. Brown County's face to face training dates are tentatively scheduled for the following (please note these dates could change so be sure to pay attention to future Newshounds and the Brown County 4-H Facebook page:

- February 15th at 4pm in the basement of the Aberdeen Regional Extension Office
- March 17th at 4pm in the basement of the Aberdeen Regional Extension Office
- April 15th at 4pm in the basement of the Aberdeen Regional Extension Office
- May 17th at 4pm in the basement of the Aberdeen Regional Extension Office
- May 27th at 4 pm in the basement of the Aberdeen Regional Extension Office

To sign up for face to face dates or to take the program online you must use the following link: <https://yqca.learn-grow.io/Account/Login>. You will need to be prepared to pay for the cost of the YQCA training when you register in the system. Only credit cards are accepted. The cost is \$12 for taking the course online and \$3 for a face to face session. It is highly recommended to attend a face to face session, if possible.

****This training is mandatory for all youth showing the above listed animals at both the county and state levels. You will NOT be able to show at the county or state fair without completing this training.**





Brown County Cloverbud Program

Cloverbuds Wanted!

If you are ages 5-7 and enrolled as a Cloverbud in www.v2.4honline.com we invite you to join us on February 17th at 4 pm in the Brown County 4-H Office. Must RSVP to Becca Tullar by Monday, February 10th at noon. This is just one of a few Cloverbud specific fun days we have planned for this 4-H year. If you have older youth that would like to volunteer as mentors, please RSVP those names to me as well. We will be covering Citizenship, reading books and making a kazoo!

Brown County 4-H Creates!

Brown County 4-H is partnering with Chelsea Nelson of Penny Lane Made to host a project day. We are going to be making a St. Patrick's Day Wreath! There will be no cost, but preregistration is REQUIRED! 25 youth class limit. First come first serve. Registration deadline of February 24th, 2022. Class will be held on March 3rd 2022 at the Aberdeen Regional Extension Office, 13 Second Avenue SE Aberdeen, SD 57401. We are also looking for 5 volunteers to help with this event. Please contact the Brown County 4-H Office to sign up for the project day either as a youth or a volunteer.



Operation Occupation: Unlock Your Potential Unlocks

February 15, 2022

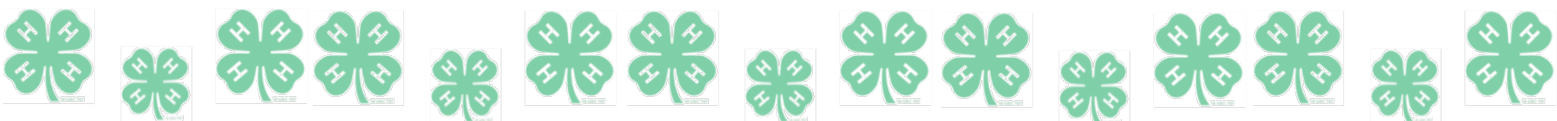
The SDSU Extension 4-H Workforce Outcome Team will be unlocking **Operation Occupation: Unlock Your Potential** course on Traininghouse February 15, 2022.

- Operation Occupation is a course designed to give students a glimpse at several different careers from the comfort of their screen. Pre-recorded videos are available to view at any time once the course opens. The videos feature a brief overview or a day in the life of a variety of jobs. After watching all the videos in each career cluster, participants will be asked questions about the videos in an escape room format.
- In addition to these videos, live Zoom meetings will be held February 28-March 3, 2022. Each live session will feature a South Dakota entrepreneur who will tell us about their business and what it takes to have a career in that field. Since the Zoom meetings are live, there will be plenty of time for questions from viewers with recordings available for future viewing.
- Don't miss this chance to unlock your potential by participating in Operation Occupation as an individual or group. This program was designed with classroom settings in mind for junior high – high school students. However, it would also be a great program to share with 4-H club members, young and old at a club meeting.
- Go to <https://traininghouse.sdstate.edu> and register as a new user if you do not have a Traininghouse account. Once you have an account or have logged into an existing one, search for Operation Occupation: Unlock Your Potential in the course search area. Use the code UNLOCK22 to gain access. Remember – access will not be granted until February 15, 2022.
- The Workforce Outcome Team would be happy to visit with you about any questions or suggestions you may have for this new program. Please feel free to reach out to the below team members with any questions or suggestions.

Deanna Gall at deanna.gall@sdstate.edu
Sonia Mack at sonia.mack@sdstate.edu
John Madison at john.madison@sdstate.edu

Livestock DNA Collection

The DNA collection requirement for State Fair is being discontinued for the 2022 State Fair. If families are needing DNA envelopes to compete at Aksarben or other events, they may purchase them on the Aksarben website directly.





Graduation cords

Are you graduating in the spring and looking for something to show your 4-H participation? The Brown County 4-H Office will have graduation cords for you! You will receive the cords upon request only, please contact the Brown County 4-H Office (605-626-7120) to submit a request. The deadline for requests is May 2nd of the current graduation year.

2022 4-H Civocacy Guide Now Available!

South Dakota 4-H's civic education team is happy to announce that the 2022 4-H Civocacy Guide: A Roadmap to Being a Civic Advocate for 4-H, is now available and can be accessed on the SDSU Extension website. The guidebook is broken in to two parts, learn and engage. As a civic advocate it is important to first and foremost learn about the operation and purpose of the South Dakota State Legislature. This guidebook will highlight several resources to assist in this process. Once you learn, you can put your knowledge to action! This is your chance to share your story because your story is worth sharing! You can also use this opportunity to network, develop professional relationships and implement your critical thinking skills. This guidebook will walk you through some best practices when engaging with elected officials. <https://extension.sdstate.edu/4-h-civocacy-guide>

2022 South Dakota 4-H Performing Arts Camp Dates

The 2022 South Dakota 4-H Performing Arts Camp dates will be June 12 – 18, 2022. It will be held at Northern State University in Aberdeen, SD. Registration information and price will be announced at a later date. If there are any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to Amanda Stade at amanda.stade@sdstate.edu.



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