



**SOUTH DAKOTA STATE
UNIVERSITY EXTENSION**

State 4-H Horse Show

Contestant Packet



JULY 24-26, 2023

Registration deadline: July 1, 2023

Stanley County Fairgrounds, Ft. Pierre, SD

State 4-H Horse Committee

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Exhibitor Information

This packet is provided to help you prepare for the event. All class and contest rules for the State 4-H Horse Show can be found in the South Dakota 4-H Horse Project Show Guide available on extension.sdstate.edu. Good luck!

Entry Process

- Horse Show entries are due in FairEntry on July 1, 2023 by 11:59 pm CST.
- Youth may enter as many classes and Youth in Action events as they wish. The 4-H Horse Show Committee and 4-H Staff will be unable to guarantee participation if scheduling conflicts occur.
- Return applicable fees and Fair Entry Invoice to the State 4-H Office (SAG 109, Box 2207E, Brookings, SD 57007) by July 10:
 - Individuals entering 5 or more classes will pay a \$10 fee.
 - \$25 stock fee in Breakaway Roping and Tie Down Roping.
 - \$25 stock fee per team in Team Roping (\$12.50 per team member)
- Stock fees are NONREFUNDABLE.

Horse Stalling

- New for 2023: Stalling will be done when registering for State 4-H Horse Show. Exhibitors will request number of stalls, number of nights and will then submit payment to the local county office. County offices will send in one check to the State 4-H Office by July 17. Stalling requests can be made and will be honored, as available.
- Each exhibitor is allowed to purchase and use no more than 4 stalls. Stalls may be used to house a horse or tack. No more than 1 horse/stall. Exception: Miniature horses may house 2 horses/stall.
- All horses should be stalled in assigned stalls. Horses MUST be stalled between the hours of 10:00pm and 7:00am. Horses tied to trailers must be supervised at all times. Tack stalls may be locked. Stalls with horses in them may not be locked.
- Horses may not be stalled in the rodeo rough stock pens located to the east of the arenas.
- Stalling fees are \$10.00/stall per day. Stalling fees are NONREFUNDABLE.
- Wood shavings are NOT available for purchase and are the responsibility of the family to bring.
- Stalls need to have shavings and muck scooped into aisle prior to departure.
- Please use the designated areas to deposit any stall or trailer cleanings during the show.

Camping Facilities

Limited camping is available on the Stanley County Fairgrounds during the State 4-H Horse Show. Camping registration on the Stanley County Fairgrounds will occur on June 26th from 7-9PM via phone at 605-280-9775. Camping is on a first come first serve basis. Full hook ups for the show are \$150, electricity only \$100 and dry camping is free of charge. Additional camping is located throughout the Ft. Pierre and Pierre area.

Other Show Information

- No bicycles, scooters and/or dogs allowed in the show arena areas during the State 4-H Horse Show.
- No smoking in the barns.

Certificate of Veterinary Inspection

- All horses exhibited at the State 4-H Horse Show must be accompanied by a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued by a licensed and accredited veterinarian within 30 days of entry to the State 4-H Horse Show. Any and all prescriptions are to be listed on the health papers.

Horse Show Exhibitor Check-in

- Exhibitors must check-in upon arrival to the South Dakota State 4-H Horse Show.
- Check in will be located in the State 4-H Horse Show Office under the Grandstands. Check in will be open July 23 from 4-6 pm CST. The office will also be open on Monday, July 24 from 8am-5pm CST, Tuesday, July 25 8am-5pm CST and Wednesday July 26 from 8am-completion of first class.
 - Exhibitors should bring the following to check in:
 - Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI)
 - Note: Exhibitors should bring additional copies of their CVIs if they plan on leaving with their horse and returning through entry gate. CVIs will not be returned at the end of the show.
 - Stanley County Fairgrounds Waiver, nortarized
- At check-in exhibitors will receive:
 - South Dakota State 4-H Horse Show Program with show/class order
 - Contestant Back Tags and Safety Pins
 - Any issues with scheduling must be addressed with the show arena announcer at the time the conflict occurs.
 - Order changes can only be made one class prior to the conflict or while the class is in progress. No changes to order can be made once the class is complete and the exhibitor will forfeit the run.

Horse Show Information

- 4-H members in 4-H horse events are competing for awards provided by event sponsors and the South Dakota 4-H Youth Development Program. Awards may include but are not limited to: plaques, rosettes or ribbons. Top five exhibitors within each of the official South Dakota 4-H Horse Show Classes will be recognized at the State 4-H Horse Show. In addition, the top two exhibitors will receive grand and reserve champion awards.
- Reasons/General Critique will be given in every event following the awarding of Grand and Reserve Champion. This will allow youth to understand the criteria the youth were judged on and allow the judge an explanation of his/her placing.
- Official judges will be asked to record the Grand and Reserve Champions and third through fifth place in each class and to sign a document making those placings official.

Riding Rules

Riding safety rules will be strictly enforced at the South Dakota State 4-H Horse Show. 4-H members who violate these rules may be disqualified.

- Cutting arena will be designated as a warm up arena on Tuesday and Wednesday.
- See schedule for arena riding curfews. No riding after 8:00 p.m. will be permitted.
- 4-H exhibitors are expected to care for, groom, and ride their horses while at the State 4-H Horse Show. Only the 4-H member, a member of the immediate family, fellow 4-H member, or 4-H leader may perform the fitting, clipping, or riding on any horse at the State 4-H Horse Show. The 4-H exhibitor must be present while such work is being done with his/her horse.

Premier Exhibitor Award

There will be one award for each of the three 4-H age divisions (beginner, junior, senior).

Scores for the award will be determined by qualifying events at the State Horse Show. Each event contributes one third of overall score.

- Highest Showmanship, Hippology, Event Score

Horse Youth-In-Action Events

- State 4-H Hippology Contest
 - Contestants will complete the judging portion during the State 4-H Horse Judging Contest. Please review the State 4-H Horse Show Schedule for all contest times.
 - Beginner, Junior and Senior hippology scores will be used in determining Premier Exhibitor Award.
- State 4-H Horse Judging Contest
 - Performance patterns will be distributed during contest.
 - Official placings with reasons will be given following the contest.

- State 4-H Horse Public Speaking and Demonstration Contests
 - Contestants must sign up for a presentation time on FairEntry.
 - A computer, projector, easel and tables will be available in the contest room for contestants to use as needed.
 - In order to alleviate technology issues and provide smooth transition between each presenter, youth are REQUIRED to bring their digital presentation on a USB flash drive. Internet access is not a guarantee nor is access to online cloud sharing platforms (i.e. Box, iCloud, Google Drive, etc.).
- State 4-H Horse Quiz Bowl Contest
 - Once the Horse Quiz Bowl Contest begins, contestants may not leave the contest area until their team is eliminated.
 - Teams may utilize study resources in the holding room prior to entering the quiz bowl room.
 - Only coaches may bring study resources in the quiz bowl competition room to use during a protest of a quiz question.
 - The team members must be Seniors to compete in national contest. If the winning team does not consist of all seniors, the non-senior members will be replaced.

All results will be posted on extension.sdstate.edu following the State 4-H Horse Show. Posted results are final.

Photographer

- A photographer will be available to take photos of exhibitors and their horse. All youth are encouraged to have their professional photo taken with the back drop.
- All photographs will be posted on extension.sdstate.edu and available to download for free.
- Top 5 winners should have their photograph taken with awards.

Severe Weather Protocol – State 4-H Horse Show

All persons are responsible for their own safety!

SEVERE WEATHER/TORNADO/STORM/LIGHTENING

- Stay tuned to your communications device for the progress of any potentially damaging weather conditions.
- In the event threatening weather is evident or a watch has been issued, check your immediate area to ensure that doors, windows and objects that may become airborne by high winds are secure.
- If a storm/tornado warning is issued, seek shelter in a brick structure. Direct all persons inside brick buildings.
- Remain in the Shelter area until an “all clear” signal is given or you are given other specific directions.

On-grounds Shelters

In the event of severe weather, all people are encouraged to seek shelter and go to the **NEAREST BRICK STRUCTURE** or other appropriate building on grounds. **STAY AWAY FROM TIN WALLED RESTROOMS, OPEN SPAN BUILDINGS AND WOOD BUILDINGS.**

In the case of a natural or technical event, emergency information may be obtained through a variety of methods including:

A. Radio

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| 1. River
Pierre | 92.7 FM | (605) 224-8686 |
| 2. KPLO
Pierre | 94.5 FM | (605) 224-8686 |
| 3. The Eagle
Pierre | 100.1 FM | (605) 224-8686 |
| 4. KPLO
Pierre | 100.5 FM | (605) 224-8686 |
| 5. KGFX
Pierre | 103.1 FM/1060 AM | (605) 224-8686 |
| 6. KOLY
Pierre | 101.9 FM/1300 AM | (605) 224-8686 |
| 7. KCCR
Pierre | 1240 AM/98.9 FM | (605) 224-1240 |

B. Television

1. KSFY (ABC)
2. KELOLAND (CBS)
3. KDLT (NBC)

Additional Resource Telephone Numbers:

1. Aberdeen Weather Service
National Weather Service (covers Stanley Co)
(605) 225-5547 or (605) 330-4247
2. Fort Pierre Fire Department (Pierre dispatch non-emergency line) (605) 773-7410
3. Pierre Police Department
(605) 773-7413
4. Stanley County Sheriff
(605) 223-7792
5. Hughes/Stanley County Emergency Management
(605) 773-7454



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2023 South Dakota State 4-H Horse Show Schedule



THIS SCHEDULE IS NOT A CLASS ORDER. Listed below are the events' locations and approximate start times. Adjustments may be made at the show management's discretion. All times are listed in Central Standard Time.

Sunday, July 23, 2023

Time	Location	Event
4:00-6:00 p.m.	Stanley County Fairgrounds	Check in - State Horse Show Office open

Monday, July 24, 2023

Time	Location	Event
8:00 a.m.	Stanley County Fairgrounds	Check in will be at the State 4-H Show Office under the grandstands at the Stanley County Fair from 8am-5pm CST
8:30 a.m.	North Arena	Pony Measuring – South end of grandstands arena
9:00 a.m.	North Arena	Timed Performance Events – Senior Barrel Racing, Junior Barrel Racing, Junior Pony Barrel Racing, Senior Breakaway Roping, Junior Breakaway Roping, Senior Tie Down Roping, Senior Dally Team Roping
9:00 a.m.	South Arena	Timed Performance Events – Junior Pony Poles, Junior Poles, Senior Poles
12:00-12:30 p.m.	South Arena	Junior Equitation Over Fences Practice
12:30-1:00 p.m.	South Arena	Senior Equitation Over Fences Practice
1:00 p.m.	Cutting Arena	Showmanship – Sr. Draft, Jr. Draft
10:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.	Under Grandstands	Public Presentation and Demonstration
1:00-1:30 p.m.	North Arena	Junior and Senior Reinsmanship Practice
1:30 p.m.	North Arena	Reinsmanship – Senior, Junior
Approximately 2:30 p.m. or immediately upon completion of Light Horse Reinsmanship	North Arena	Draft Driving Practice (For 30 minutes following the completion of Junior Reinsmanship.)
Approximately 3:00 p.m.	North Arena	Draft Driving Classes – Sr. Single Hitch, Jr, Single Hitch
Approximately 4:00 p.m.	North Arena	Team Hitch Classes – Sr Team Hitch, Jr Team Hitch
4:30 p.m.	Below Grandstands	Quiz Bowl - Team Check in/Registration, 4:30 p.m.- Contest 5:00 p.m.
8:00 p.m.	All arenas	Riding Curfew



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Schedule (continued)

Tuesday, July 25, 2023

Time	Location	Event
6:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.	Entrance Gate	Entrance Open – Check in at the Horse Show Office located below Grandstands will be open from 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
9:00 a.m.	South Arena	Showmanship – Sr. English, Sr Western Equitation – Sr. Western Horsemanship , Sr. Hunt Seat Equitation, Sr Equitation Over Fences, Jr Equitation Over Fences
9:00 a.m.	North Arena	Showmanship – Jr. English, Beg English, Jr. Western, Beg. Western Equitation – Jr Western Horsemanship, Beg Western Horsemanship, Jr Hunt Seat Equitation, Beg Hunt Seat Equitation
12:00 Noon-4:00 p.m.	Below Grandstands	Hippology – Contestants may complete the exam and stations at any time. Team problems will be scheduled by show staff.
After Sr. Hunt Seat Equitation	South Arena	Equitation Over Fences Sr Warm up (20 minutes) practice for Seniors Equitation over Fences – Senior
After Sr. Equitation Over Fences	South Arena	Equitation Over Fences Jr Warm up (20 minutes) Equitation Over Fences – Junior
5:00 p.m.	North Arena	Horse Judging Contest – Registration: 5 p.m. Contest: 5:30 p.m. Complete team must check in at the same time; team photos will be taken
5:00 p.m.	North Arena	Hippology Judging portion – Registration: 5 p.m. Contest: 5:30 p.m. Complete team must check in at the same time; team photos will be taken
4:00 p.m.	North Arena	Closed for Judging Contest
8:00 p.m.	North Arena	Riding Curfew

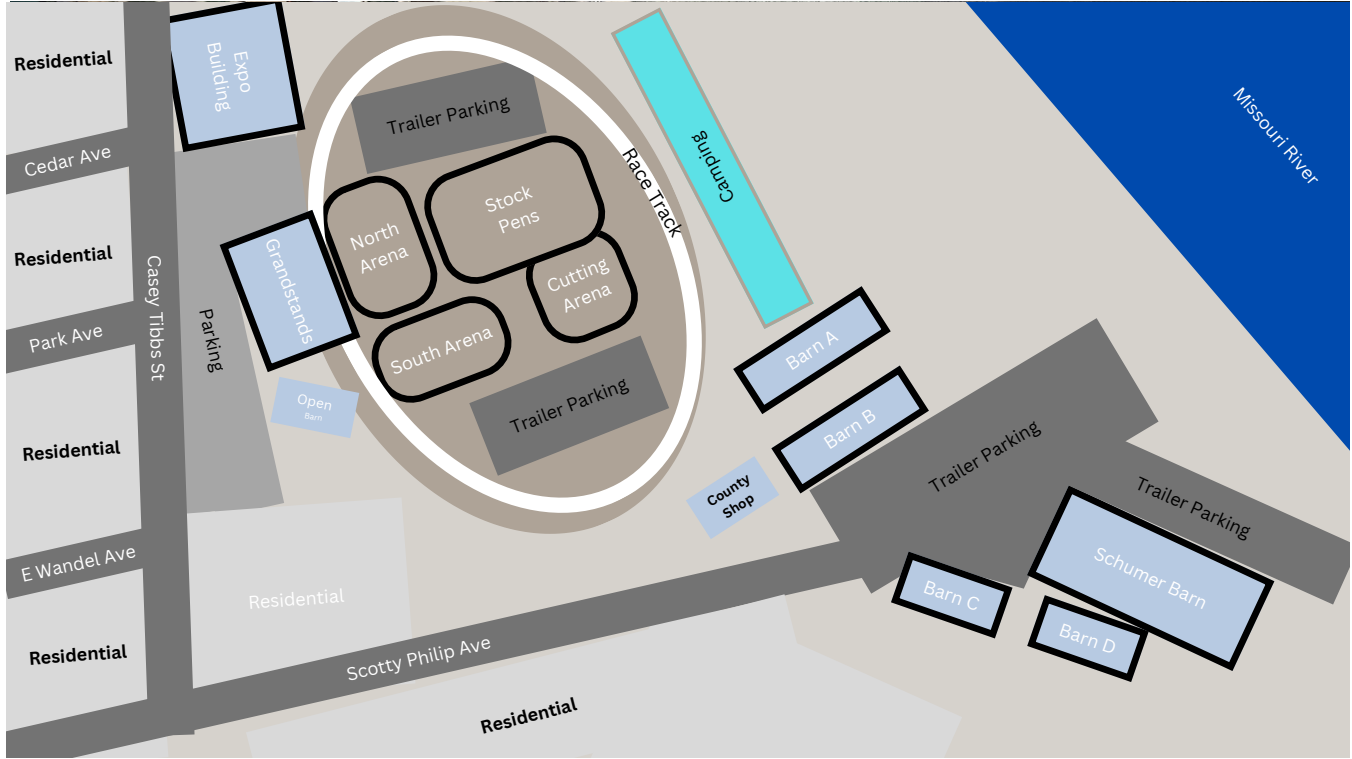
Wednesday, July 26, 2023

Time	Location	Event
7:00 a.m.	Entrance Gate	Entrance Open
8:30-9:00 a.m.	North Arena	Sr. Trail Walkthrough with Judge - Exhibitors only, no horses or adults
9:00-11:00 a.m.	North Arena	Sr. Trail - Must be checked in by 10:30 a.m.
9:00 a.m.	South Arena	Performance - Jr. Ranch Riding, Jr. Reining
After Jr Reining	South Arena	Performance - Sr. Ranch Riding, Sr. Reining
11:00-11:30 a.m.	North Arena	Beg. Trail Walkthrough with Judge - Exhibitors only, no horses or adults
11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.	North Arena	Beg. Trail - Must be checked in by 12:30 p.m.
1:00-1:30 p.m.	North Arena	Jr. Trail Walkthrough with Judge - Exhibitors only, no horses or adults
1:30-3:00 p.m.	North Arena	Jr. Trail - Must be checked in by 2:30 p.m.



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Stanley County Fairgrounds Map





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Frequently Asked Questions

What is a health certificate or CVI and why is it needed at the State 4-H Horse Show?

Horses used for exhibition must be examined by an accredited veterinarian no more than 30 days prior to the State 4-H Horse Show and receive a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) stating the animal is free of signs of infectious or contagious diseases. CVIs are turned in at the State 4-H Horse Show Office and collected by the South Dakota Animal Industry Board. This biosecurity measure helps lower the risk of spreading disease between horses and ensures a safer environment for horses and exhibitors participating.

Will a veterinarian be at the State 4-H Horse Show?

In case of emergency, local veterinarian contact information will be made available to State 4-H Horse Show Exhibitors. A veterinarian is not guaranteed to be present during the entirety of the State 4-H Horse Show.

Does a horse have to be housed in a State 4-H Horse Stall while on the fairgrounds?

For safety reasons, for both the horse and general public, it is strongly encouraged exhibitors purchase a stall for their horse while on the fairgrounds. Exhibitors who are only participating for one day may choose to purchase stalls or tie their horses to their trailers. Exhibitors who plan on having their horses spend the night are required to purchase stalls. No horses may be tied to trailers overnight. No horses may be placed in the rough stock pens located to the east of the North Arena. Pricing options are available if a stall is needed for one day or multiple days.

May horse stalls be reserved prior to entering the fairgrounds?

YES. New for 2023, ALL stalling will be requested and reserved when registering for the State Horse Show on FairEntry. Families will indicated if they would like a tack stall, number of horse stalls needed and the days. Horse stalls and tack stall are available for \$10/stall/day. No more than 1 horse/stall. Exception: miniature horses may house 2 horses/stall. Families will submit their checks to the local 4-H office. County offices will submit one check to the State 4-H Office.

Can a companion horse, not used within the State 4-H Horse Show, enter the fairgrounds and be stalled?

YES. The horse must be listed on the health certificate

to enter the fairgrounds, and separate stalling fees apply.

Is there night security present at the State 4-H Horse Show?

NO. Stanley County Fairgrounds and South Dakota 4-H uses diligence to ensure safety of exhibits; but in no case are they responsible for any loss or damage done to, occasioned by, or arising from, an animal or article in the exhibition. Tack stalls may be locked. Stalls with horses in them cannot be locked.

When and where can an exhibitor practice riding? Are there specific times to practice an event?

The North Arena, South Arena and the Cutting Arena are available for practice riding when not in use during a show. Check the South Dakota State 4-H Horse Show schedule for specific times and riding curfews. The Cutting Arena is not assigned to a specific event or for a particular age group on Tuesday and Wednesday. Riders should practice safe riding skills and be respectful of others who are practicing in the ring at the same time. Trail patterns will not be physically set up in the arena for practice prior to the event.

Can an exhibitor's horse trainer ride their horse at the State 4-H Horse Show?

NO. 4-H exhibitors are expected to care for, groom, and ride their horses while at the State 4-H Horse Show. Only the 4-H member, a member of the immediate family, fellow 4-H member, or 4-H Club leader may perform the fitting or ride a 4-H exhibitor's horse.

Is there an area to wash and groom horses at the State 4-H Horse Show?

There are very limited wash racks available near the Schumer Barn. Please plan accordingly.

How does an exhibitor know when their class is in the ring?

Each exhibitor will receive an exhibitor packet when they check in at the State 4-H Office that contains the show schedule and class order. When time permits, announcers, at their discretion, may make announcements to update exhibitors in the class make-up areas concerning the progress of the classes in the arena(s). Exhibitors and exhibitor's parents/guardian are responsible for keeping track of class orders and for being in line or in the makeup area when their run or class time arrives.



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Frequently Asked Questions

Where does an exhibitor line up with their horse to enter a class?

Each show arena has a make-up area outside the arena entry gate. Exhibitors need to report to this area when their class is called. For all “individual go” classes, there will be an “on-deck” cone prior to the entry gate of the arena. It is the responsibility of each exhibitor to be at the on-deck cone at the required time to be checked in prior to entering the ring. In all other classes, the gate will be closed when the last visible horse in make-up area for that class enters the ring. No additional entries will be accepted to that class.

What happens if an exhibitor’s class is in the ring and the exhibitor or horse is showing in a different ring at the same time?

Two rings will be used concurrently during the State 4-H Horse Show. Efforts have been made to eliminate or minimize class conflicts between the rings. In cases of conflicts, however, the show management will cooperate wherever possible to allow youths to participate. Show management may authorize an exhibitor to move in the order-of-go. An exhibitor or parent/guardian should report to the arena announcing stand once class prior to the conflicting class or while the class is in progress to request the class change. On Monday, in the event of conflicts, announcer will announce the arena that has precedence. No changes to order can be made once the class is complete. Please note: Entry fees will not be refunded to youths who miss a class due to scheduling conflicts. There are no class holds for tack changes.

What happens if an exhibitor misses their class?

Exhibitors who miss their class or run will forfeit their run in that class. An exhibitor may only participate in the next class order if the exhibitor or horse was physically showing in another arena and show management was notified prior to the end of the missed class.

Is an exhibitor allowed to talk to the State 4-H Horse Show Judge?

At no time should the exhibitor and/or parent/guardian confront the judge before or during the show. Exhibitors and/or parent/guardians may be allowed to contact the judge following the completion of the show at the discretion of show management. Reasons will be given in every event following the awards within an event. This will allow youth to understand the criteria the youth were judged on and allow the judge to explain his/her placing. Judge’s decisions are final.

Where does an exhibitor go if they have any questions or concerns and who do they talk to?

Exhibitors with questions should speak with staff at the Check in area of the South Arena or North Arena or with staff in the crows nest located near the North Arena. Show officials will direct the exhibitors question to the appropriate individual. The South Dakota 4-H Youth Development Program reserves final and absolute right to interpret the South Dakota 4-H Horse Project Show Guide rules and regulations and to arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions and differences in regard thereto, or otherwise arising out of or connected with or incident to the Show, and the right to amend or add to these rules as its judgment may determine.

Do the Grand Champions receive a photograph after the event as part of their award?

No, the State 4-H Office contracts with a photographer to take pictures during the show. They will take a picture of all contestants, who go to the photo backdrop and the Top 5 in each event; these pictures will be posted on extension.sdstate.edu and will be available for free download. No individual pictures are produced and sent to the exhibitor as part of their award.

When will State 4-H Horse Show patterns be available?

The patterns to be used at the State Horse Show will be published on extension.sdstate.edu one week prior to show.



What do I do once I get to Fort Pierre for the horse show?

1. Enter the Stanley County Fairgrounds at Gate located at the south end of the grandstand. Easiest access is from East Wandel Ave.
2. Bring your CVI and Stanley County Fairgrounds Waiver to Horse Show Office located under the Grandstands. Your horses may be inspected to ensure their descriptions match those on your CVI. Your CVI will be collected. You will pick up your entry packet. Included in the packet: Your back tags and a program.
3. Verify stalling assignments and go to assigned stall.
4. Locate and set up your stalls. Only woodchips may be used as bedding. Tack stalls may be locked, but stalls with horses inside must remain unlocked in case of emergency.
5. You may use arenas for practice and warmup
 - a. Refer to the Horse Show Schedule for open times.
 - b. Be respectful of those lunging.
6. When your class is called, check in at the arena at least 4 exhibitors before your turn. Order of go can be found in your Horse Show Program in your contestant envelope at the Horse Show.
 - a. If you have a class conflict in another arena, let the ring staff know as soon as possible.
 - b. If you are not present when your turn is called, you may be disqualified. Please pay attention to your ring.
7. Awards may be picked up at the show office under the grandstands or during the awards presentation of the arena the class was ran.
8. Be sure to check in for Youth in Action events and Trail within the allotted registration time.



The following will be the official classes at the 2023 State 4-H Horse Show. Exhibitors should enter classes within their age division whenever possible. A senior exhibitor may compete with a pony in any senior division event. A senior contestant may also use a miniature horse in western showmanship.

4-H Exhibitor Directions:

- Write the name on the South Dakota 4-H Horse Show Horse Entry Worksheet.
- Write the name of the horse that will be used within the class.
- Entry fees for exhibitors showing over 5 classes (\$10) and Stock Fees are due July 10 to the State 4-H Office. Fees must be remitted at this time to be eligible to compete. Entry and stock fees are nonrefundable. Stall fees (\$10/day/stall) must be submitted to county offices. County offices will submit one check for the entire county (invoice will be provided). Stalling and stock fees are non-refundable.

Showmanship

- Beginner Western Showmanship
- Junior Western Showmanship
- Senior Western Showmanship
- Beginner English Showmanship
- Junior English Showmanship
- Senior English Showmanship
- Junior Draft Horse Showmanship
- Senior Draft Horse Showmanship

Equitation

- Beginner Western Horsemanship
- Junior Western Horsemanship
- Senior Western Horsemanship
- Beginner Hunt Seat Equitation
- Junior Hunt Seat Equitation
- Senior Hunt Seat Equitation
- Junior Equitation over Fences
- Senior Equitation over Fences
- Junior Reinsmanship
- Senior Reinsmanship

Performance

- Junior Reining
- Senior Reining
- Junior Ranch Riding
- Senior Ranch Riding
- Beginner Trail
- Junior Trail
- Senior Trail
- Junior Single-Draft Hitch
- Senior Single-Draft Hitch
- Junior Team Hitch Driving
- Senior Team Hitch Driving

Timed Performance Events

- Junior Barrel Racing
- Junior Pony Barrel Racing
- Senior Barrel Racing
- Junior Pole Bending
- Junior Pony Pole Bending
- Senior Pole Bending
- Junior Break-away Roping
- Senior Break-away Roping
- Senior Tie-down Roping
- Senior Dally Team Roping* Must enter with partner

Youth in Action

- Beginner Hippology
- Junior Hippology
- Senior Hippology
- Beginner Horse Judging
- Junior Horse Judging
- Senior Horse Judging
- Public Speaking Contest
- Individual Demonstration
- Team Demonstration
- Horse Quiz Bowl Team

**Participants – Assumption of Risk, Waiver of Liability, Indemnification and Release Agreement:
South Dakota State University – 4-H Equine Activities**

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WARNING: UNDER SOUTH DAKOTA LAW, AN EQUINE PROFESSIONAL IS NOT LIABLE FOR AN INJURY TO OR THE DEATH OF A PARTICIPANT IN EQUINE ACTIVITIES RESULTING FROM THE INHERENT RISKS OF EQUINE ACTIVITIES, PURSUANT TO SDCL 42-11-2.

IN CONSIDERATION of allowing the below PARTICIPANT to participate in any way in equine activities including but not limited to horse racing, rodeo, related events and activities and/or being permitted to enter any related premises (“Equine Activities”), each of the undersigned, on behalf of themselves, their spouse, executors, administrators, heirs, next of kin, successors, personal or legal representatives and assigns (“Releasers”), hereby agree that:

- a. The Releasers will immediately inspect the premises upon entering it, any equipment, or animals, and warrant that entry therein and use of equipment or animals constitutes acknowledgement that they have inspected the premises, equipment, or animals and find them safe and reasonably suited for the purpose of their use. The Releasers agree that if at any time they believe something to be unsafe, it will be brought to the attention of Releasees, as hereinafter defined, representative, and the Minor will remove themselves from the premises with authorized escort, cease use of equipment, or animal, and participation in the Equine Activities.
- b. The Releasers assume full responsibility for the risk of bodily injury, death or property damage due to the actions or negligence of the State of South Dakota, the South Dakota Board of Regents, South Dakota State University, South Dakota State University Extension/4-H, 4-H or fairgrounds volunteers, stock contractors, arena owners and arena officials, including, but not limited to, Stanley County, South Dakota, Hughes County, South Dakota, the Fort Pierre Chamber of Commerce, the Verendrye Benevolent Association, and their various directors, officers, agents, employees, volunteers, members, promoters, sponsors, advertisers, owners and lessees of the premises, their officers, employees, representatives, and agents (hereinafter, “Releasees”) or otherwise, while in or upon the premises, use of equipment or participating in Equine Activities. The Releasers recognize and understand that there are risks and dangers associated with participating in Equine Activities, such as but not limited to the unpredictable nature of animals, and that such participation and admission in the premises or use of equipment or animals could cause severe bodily injury, disability, and death. Further the risks and dangers may be caused by the actions or negligent failure to act of the Releasees and others. All of the risks and dangers associated with participating in the Equine Activities, entry into the premises or use of equipment or animals are assumed and notwithstanding.
- c. The Releasers waive, release and discharge the Releasees from any and all liability or damage for my death, paralysis, disability, personal injury, property damage, property theft or actions of any kind which may hereafter accrue to the minor, parent or guardian and their estate.
- b. The Releasers indemnify, save and hold harmless the Releasees and each of them personally from and against any and all liabilities, loss, damage, causes of actions and claims arising from the minor’s participation in equine activities including but not limited to Equine Activities and related activities, presence in premises, use of equipment or animals whether caused by negligence of Releasees, the minor or otherwise.

The Releasers hereby consent to receive medical treatment that may be deemed advisable in the event of injury, accident or illness during this event.

The Releasers expressly acknowledges the existence of SDCL Ch. 42-11 (the equine activity immunity law) and its contents; expressly acknowledges the existence and location of the signs placed on the Premises in contemplation of SDCL 42-11-5; expressly agrees that this release, waiver, and indemnity agreement is intended to be as broadly and inclusively construed as permitted by the laws of the State of South Dakota, and that if any

portion thereof is held invalid, it is agreed that the balance of this Release shall, notwithstanding, continue in full legal force and effect.

The Releasors have read and voluntarily signs this Participant – Assumption of Risk, Waiver of Liability, Indemnification and Release Agreement, fully understand its terms and that I/we have given up substantial rights by signing it, sign it freely and voluntarily without any inducement, assurance or guarantee being made and intend their signature to be a complete and unconditional release of all liability to the greatest extent allowed by law. I/we further acknowledge that failure to witness or notarize this Agreement shall not affect its validity.

If the Participant/Releasor is under eighteen years of age, the minor’s parent, guardian, or custodian must execute this release, waiver, and indemnification.

Name of Contestant: _____ DOB: _____

Signature if > 18years: _____ Date: _____

BOTH PARENT’S SIGNATURE REQUIRED UNLESS NEXT BOX IS CHECKED:

I represent that I have sole legal custody of or am the sole parent/guardian authorized to execute in full this assumption of Risk, Waiver of Liability and Release.

Name of Mother or Guardian: _____ Relationship: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Signature: I HAVE READ THIS RELEASE _____ Date: _____

Name of Father or Guardian: _____ Relationship: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number _____ Email: _____

Signature: I HAVE READ THIS RELEASE _____ Date: _____

Notarization:

State of _____)

County of _____)

On this ____ day of _____, 20____, before me personally appeared _____
NAME OF THOSE THAT APPEAR BEFORE NOTARY to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that they executed the same of their own free act, and deed.

Exp. _____