



Livestock PDC: Adult Members

Purpose:

- Meet the needs of 4-H members and volunteers and support the mission of the 4-H Youth Development Program.
- Support the positive growth and development of each youth involved.
- Develop life skills in youth and create opportunities for youth to learn, lead, and serve
- Involve youth in becoming competent, caring, and connected citizens of character in their community.
- Provide leadership to the Pennington County 4-H Livestock Program.

Time required:

- The Project Development Committee meets three times each year (October, January, and June) with additional meetings as determined by the committee or as determined with 4-H staff.

Responsibilities:

- Become a screened volunteer and re-enroll each year.
 - Complete the volunteer application.
 - Complete the volunteer background check.
 - Watch the Safety of Minors training.
- Adult Chair: Advise and assist the Youth Chair in completing their duties.
- Work with 4-H program staff to determine if any recommendations for policy and guidelines are appropriate (local 4-H governing body will make final decisions). Uphold state and county policies and rules regarding animal science programs and activities
- Assess educational needs of 4-H livestock members and volunteers and develop and implement programs to meet those needs. Specific duties may include planning educational project meetings, supporting county fair programming, providing opportunities for project bowl and judging activities, etc.
- Work with the local 4-H governing body to assist with budget development and ensure that activities/events are within budget recommendations.
- Support the mission and vision of the Pennington Co 4-H Livestock PDC.
- Be a role model for youth members, their families, and other volunteers.
- Communicate work of PDC to staff, membership, and other appropriate committees via committee minutes, year-end reports, etc.

Minnesota 4-H is committed to providing safe and healthy environments for youth and adults participating in the 4-H program. All Minnesota 4-H volunteers must successfully complete the volunteer screening process (application, background check and orientation/Safety of Minors training which explains the policies, expectations, and vision of serving as a 4-H volunteer) to serve in this role. All 4-H volunteers should genuinely enjoy young people and be committed to working in partnership with the University of Minnesota to ensure their positive growth and development. In return, the Extension Center for Youth Development staff will provide access to

local, regional, and statewide training, share appropriate curriculum, coach and offer feedback for success, and be open to ideas for program growth and improvement.

Location:

Pennington County 4-H Program

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