



**SOUTH DAKOTA STATE
UNIVERSITY EXTENSION**

South Dakota 4-H Finals Inc. Rodeo Entry Process



Please read and follow instructions carefully to ensure contestant's eligibility to compete.

Overall Registration Instructions

To be eligible to participate in any regional South Dakota 4-H Rodeo, you must complete these three steps by Monday, May 1, 2023:

1. Enroll as a South Dakota 4-H member in 4HOnline membership system.
2. After enrolling, register for Rodeo as a Project in 4HOnline.
3. Complete all required SD 4-H Rodeo paper forms in this packet and submit to the 4-H Finals Secretary on/before Monday, May 1, 2023.
 - 2023 South Dakota 4-H Regional Rodeos and State Finals Official Entry Form
 - Participant – Assumption of Risk, Waiver of Liability, Indemnification and Release Agreement
4. Return insurance declaration form to your county Extension/4-H office. This form is not sent to the finals secretary!
5. Completion of the Finals entry blank allows your child to be entered into the system and available to the regional rodeo secretary while doing entries.
6. Entry forms must be received at the correct location on/before Monday, May 1, 2023, to be eligible to participate in any SD 4-H Rodeo— this includes regional rodeos and the South Dakota 4-H Finals Inc. Rodeo. (To avoid mail issues, we suggest certified mail, so the contestant has proof of mailing.)

Rodeo Entry Check List

- Youth is enrolled in South Dakota 4-H through the 4HOnline membership system. (Contact your County 4-H Office with any enrollment questions.)
- Youth is enrolled in the SD 4-H Rodeo Project in 4HOnline.
- The Official Rodeo Entry Form and the notarized waiver are complete and sent to Finals secretary by Monday, May 1, 2023.
- The insurance waiver form is sent to your local 4-H Extension office by Monday, May 1, 2023.

Incomplete Entries

If your entry is incomplete for any reason, it will be returned to you for completion. Once you correct the issues, the entry may be resubmitted with a \$5 reprocessing fee. You are not considered eligible to rodeo until the corrected forms AND \$5 reprocessing fee is received by the 4-H Finals Secretary. These corrections must be received before the JUNE 1 late entry deadline.

Late Entry Process

SD 4H Rodeo entries are due by May 1. An entry that is postmarked prior to May 1, but received after May 1, will be accepted. Entries postmarked prior to the May 1 deadline requiring correction may be corrected up to June 1 for a \$5.00 reprocessing fee. These corrections and the reprocessing fee must be received by the secretary before June 1st in order for the contestant will be eligible to rodeo. Entries postmarked after May 1 thru June 1 will be assessed a \$150.00 late fee to be submitted with the late entry. A family with more than one late entry will be assessed \$150 for the first entry and \$50 for each additional entry. The contestant will not be eligible to rodeo until the secretary has received the entry and any required fees. No entries will be accepted after June 1.

4-H Rodeo Website

All information pertaining to 4-H Rodeo in South Dakota can be found on the website: www.sd4hrodeo.org. On the website there is a tab at the top labeled [2023 Participant Entry form Progress](#). This tab contains two links: **Completed & Eligible to Rodeo Entries and Ineligible Entries**. The first contains the names and events of all contestants that have been approved by the 4-H Finals Secretary and the State 4-H Office. The second is a list of entries that have been received but have something missing and the reason for the ineligibility. If your name doesn't appear on one of these lists, the secretary has not received your entry and you are not eligible to rodeo. Please allow a one-week turnaround time from

when your entry was submitted for your name to appear on in the lists. The lists are alphabetical by county and then by last name.

JR JR DIVISION

Jr Jr is a division used at regional rodeos but DOES NOT qualify for entry into the State Finals Rodeo.

If your child wants to participate in the Jr Jr division, you need to complete a State Finals entry blank using the Jr division. Enter the appropriate division according to your child's age and gender. When entering regional rodeos which include Jr Jr division events, you are still able to enter ANY of the Jr Jr events regardless of gender. These Jr Jr events do not qualify for the State Finals while the same event in the Jr division would qualify for the State Finals.

Entry Fees For SD 4-H Finals Inc Rodeo

Paying for an individual contestant's events is done at the 4-H Rodeo Finals "check-in," under the grandstands at the Stanley County Fairgrounds before the performance on Friday afternoon (August 18) or Saturday morning (August 19).

- Entry fees and additional information are on: www.sd4hrodeo.org.
- If entry fees paid by check are returned to the SD 4-H Finals Inc. Rodeo, for any reason including non-sufficient funds (NSF), the 4-H member is no longer considered in "good standing," and will be removed from the Rodeo Eligibility list and cannot compete in 4-H Regional and/or 4-H Finals Rodeo for the following year or until the owed entry fees are paid, a \$30 reprocessing fee plus any bank fees that the SD 4-H Finals Inc. Rodeo incurs because of the returned check transaction.

NOTIFIED TURNOUT: If a contestant qualifies in the top four at a Regional Rodeo and does not wish to enter the Finals or does not wish to enter an event/events, they must notify the SD 4-H Finals Secretary via email (4HFinalsSecretary@gmail.com) on or before August 1, 2023.

Contestants who fail to notify the SD 4-H Finals Secretary of events they do not wish to participate in are responsible for paying the entry fees for those events.

Team Roping Changes

Team ropers will be entered for Finals based on the first regional rodeo results where the team qualified. If the header/heeler information is not accurate, submit changes on the "Team Roping Correction Form" to the Finals Rodeo Secretary by Monday, July 31, 2023, at (4HFinalsSecretary@gmail.com). You can download the form www.sd4hrodeo.org or pick it up at your County 4-H Office. **NOTE: Team Roping corrections are NOT accepted by telephone.**

Drawing Positions

Positions must be randomly drawn in all events. Positions may be computer drawn. There will be no Set Performances except for 4-H Livestock Showing. If a contestant is showing livestock (not static exhibits) at the County's 4-H Achievement Days, the contestant may have a set performance for Friday/Sunday or Saturday/Saturday. Submit Set Performance documentation to the SD 4-H Finals Inc. Rodeo Secretary by 6:00 p.m., CT on/before Sunday, July 30, 2023.

Contestants must email a signed letter from the County 4-H Office describing the conflict to the Finals Secretary by Sunday, July 30, 2023. SD 4-H Finals Inc. Rodeo may confirm the conflict with the contestant's County 4-H Office. The email for the 4-H Finals Secretary is 4HFinalsSecretary@gmail.com.

Trade Out Rule

Once the draw is posted on the 4-H Rodeo Website, the random draw can be altered with the Trade out rule. A contestant wishing to change their set performance can find a contestant in the same event who is in the opposite performance and request their draw spots to be switched. There will be a 24 hour clock on the 4-H Rodeo website that is the official time deadline for the trades to occur.

EXAMPLE: John Doe in Sr. Calf Roping on Friday night and Sunday morning, can trade with Jake Doe in Sr. Calf Roping on Saturday am and Saturday pm. **Requests to trade must be emailed to secretary within 24 hours of the draw being posted. BOTH CONTESTANTS MUST EMAIL 4HFINALS SECRETARY THEIR PERMISSION BEFORE THE DRAW WILL BE CHANGED.** In the team roping, emails must be received from ALL FOUR contestants (both headers and both heelers). A change will only be allowed if there is a trade able to be made. In the event a contestant cannot find someone to trade performances with or both contestants wanting a trade do not meet the time deadline which is exactly

24 hours, then no trade will be made, and the Contestant will keep their original draw. NO EXCEPTIONS.

4-H Rodeo Scholarships

Scholarship applications are available at County 4-H Offices and on the SD 4-H Rodeo website (www.sd4hrodeo.org). Scholarships are for high school seniors and college/university/technical institute freshman who participate in the SD 4-H Finals Inc. Rodeo. The scholarship application deadline is a postmark date on/before Sunday, July 30, 2023.

Stalls

Due to limited space, all horses must be stalled with a third party vendor, tied to a trailer, or kept off site overnight.

Absolutely no pens of any nature are allowed on the grounds.

With the large number of pickups, trailers, and horses on the grounds, please use as little space as possible to ensure that all contestants have room to park their pickups and trailers. See the "Stall Reservation Request Form" on the SD 4-H Rodeo website (www.sd4Hrodeo.org) for more information.



**SOUTH DAKOTA STATE
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Official Rodeo Entry Form

August 18-20, 2023

South Dakota 4-H
Regional & State Finals Rodeo



Registration deadline: May 1, 2023

Stanley County Fairgrounds – Ft. Pierre, SD

This entry form and waiver must be mailed to the 4-H Rodeo Finals Secretary, with a postmark on/before Monday, May 1, 2023, to be eligible to participate in any SD 4-H Rodeo –including 4-H regional rodeos and the South Dakota 4-H Finals Inc. Rodeo.

4-H RODEO FINALS INC

ATTN: KIM LARSON

PO BOX 1232

PIERRE, SD 57501

First & Last Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Female Male
 Mailing Address: _____ Parent/Guardian's Name(s): _____
 City: _____
 State: _____ 4-H County: _____
 Zip Code: _____ Home Phone Number: _____
 Email Address: _____ Cell Phone Number: _____

_____ (Parent/Guardian initial) I acknowledge that I have been provided the option to purchase insurance for 4-H Rodeo from AIL.

NOTE: As a competing 4-H member, you are eligible to enter any offered 4-H Rodeo event regardless of your gender. Please place a checkmark (X) by all of the events you plan to enter in a **SINGLE DIVISION** during the 2023 4-H Rodeo season. If an event is not signed by your parent/guardian, you are not eligible for this event at any of the Regional Rodeos or the SD 4-H Finals.

REMEMBER: Youth can compete in only one of the four divisions below.

Junior Girl, Ages 8 – 13, as of January 1, 2023

x	Events	Parent/Guardian's Signature
	Barrel Racing	
	Breakaway Roping	
	Goat Tying	
	Pole Bending	
	Flag Racing	
	Team Roping ¹	
	JRJR Events where offered	

Junior Boy, Ages 8-13, as of January 1, 2023

x	Events	Parent/Guardian's Signature
	Breakaway Roping	
	Cattle Riding	
	Flag Racing	
	Goat Tying	
	Bareback Steer Riding	
	Team Roping ¹	
	JRJR Events where offered	

Senior Girl, Ages 14-18, as of January 1, 2023

x	Events	Parent/Guardian's Signature
	Barrel Racing	
	Breakaway Roping	
	Goat Tying	
	Pole Bending	
	Ribbon Roping	
	Team Roping ¹	
	Ambassador Contest	

Senior Boy, Ages 14-18, as of January 1, 2023

x	Events	Parent/Guardian's Signature
	Bareback Riding	
	Bull Riding	
	Calf Roping	
	Saddle Bronc Riding	
	Steer Wrestling	
	Team Roping ¹	
	Ambassador Contest	

¹ You will be entered into the SD 4-H Finals with the first partner you qualify with, unless you complete a Team Roping Correction Form by Monday, July 31, 2023.

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

2023 SD 4-H Finals Rodeo and all 2023 SD 4-H Regional Rodeos

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. _____