Dear FFA Member:

Well, the McLean County Fair is over, Independence Day has passed, so the ND State Fair is just around the corner! As we meet in the middle of the summer and prepare for the state fair, it is time for our last summer meeting. At our June meeting, we set a date for the meeting and summer recreation. It also marks that last of our summer meetings prior to heading into the new school year!!

Topics to be discussed at our meeting:

- -State Fair Exhibits and Livestock Shows
 - +FFA projects and exhibits will be taken to the State Fair from the McLean County Fair.
 - +Individuals showing livestock need to self-register their animals using the NDSF website.
 - -FFA rules books are available through Mrs. Huettl.
 - -Google Sheets for all entries were to be filled out by July 7th, 2025 to enter any items into the fair.
 - -Please contact me if you plan on showing so that I know which shows to attend if I am not working another event at the fair.
- -State Fair Fruit/Veggie/Sheaves/Floral/Threshed Grains Exhibits
 - +Information for individuals interested in entering fruits and vegetables for the two FFA shows will be provided.
 - +Sheave and Floral Exhibit information will be provided.
 - -Google Sheets for all entries were to be filled out by July 7th, 2025 to enter any items into the fair.
- -State Tractor Driving (for those that advance from Districts)

+State Practice Day: July 17 4-6:30pm Location: Minot, ND +State: July 18 8:00am Location: Minot, ND

- +More details will be available at the meeting.
- -Set up SAE visit times if you have not been visited already.
- -Sign up to help haul Ag. Projects from the McLean County Fair to the ND State Fair
- -Sign up Rodeo Workers (ticket takers)
- -Officer Book Work Day
 - *Set up day to get officer books started.
- -FFA Membership Cards
 - +Membership cards will be given out at the meeting. These are the cards students can use to get into the ND State Fair very reasonably.
 - +If you are unable to attend the meeting, and you would like your card, you need to make arrangements with Mrs. Huettl <u>**PRIOR**</u> to the July 16th to pick them up. You will <u>**NOT**</u> be able to get them after the July 16th date, unless you have made prior arrangements with Mrs. Huettl.
 - -A sibling can pick up your FFA membership card for you as well.

-Recreation: Summer Fun Day & Meeting (Scheduled for July 14th)

- +Following our meeting, we will head to Mandan for our Summer Fun Day at Ragin Rivers Waterpark.
- +You will want to bring a minimum of \$30 as we will be stopping for supper and students may want snacks at the waterpark since we will be arriving at noon. Concessions are available.
- +We ask that all members bring a canned food item to donate to the Max Food Pantry.
- +FFA will pay for part of your waterpark pass if you met the fundraiser minimum to encourage health and wellness and if you have done the following:
 - -Each student needs to log onto the AET and access the "FFA Recreation Coupon" in the Portfolio section of the AET-be in the "Chapter Portfolio" in the dropdown box on the right side of the screen. The coupon will have details on what you must do to get the chapter discount. The instructions on the "FFA Recreation Coupon" need to be completed by July 13th at 11:59pm to be eligible. DON'T WAIT UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE...YOU HAVE A FEW ITEMS TO TAKE CARE OF!!!
 - -All students but the 2024-2025 7th grade students must use the AET "FFA Recreation Coupon" to get the discount. 7th grade students will get the discount since they have not used the AET much yet.
 - -Any students that would like to attend that are entering 7^{th} grade next year (2025-2026) may but will be asked to pay full price due to not helping fundraise at this point.

Meeting Date and Time:

-Monday, July 14th, 2025 @ 9:30am Officer Meeting @ 9:00am *Please enter the Ag. Dept. doors in the back of the school.

If you have any questions prior to the meeting, feel free to call me at the school (679-2685) or cell (240-2034). I can also be contacted via email: Amanda.Huettl@k12.nd.us or on the AET.

Hope to see everyone there!!!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Amanda Huettl Max FFA Advisor