

# Farm safety is for everyone

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Growing up on a farm or ranch means learning responsibility early. From helping move livestock and feeding animals to operating equipment and repairing fences, agriculture becomes a shared family effort where even the youngest members play an important role, and responsibility starts at an early age. While these experiences build strong skills and values, they also encourage us to highlight the importance of safety for youth involved in daily operations or youth who may step in to help. Although the focus will be on agricultural-related safety scenarios, there is lots to learn, even for those who have never stepped foot on a farm or ranch. Our community is in rural America, and we know that the

farm or ranch doesn't just stay on the farm or ranch. We see tractors on Main Street regularly, so farm/ranch safety affects us all.

To help reinforce those lessons, Adams County Extension is once again preparing to host its annual Farm Safety Day on May 7 at the Adams County Fairgrounds in Hettinger. The event is designed for area 5th and 6th-grade students from Hettinger, Mott, and Scranton schools. Homeschooled students in the same grade levels are also encouraged to participate with advance registration. A mini-lesson is done with each school before they even reach the fairgrounds.

Farm Safety Day will feature a variety of interactive stations; each centered on a differ-

ent aspect of farm and ranch safety. Students will rotate through sessions that include engaging and some hands-on demonstrations covering topics such as equipment blind spots, grain safety, and other common hazards they may experience on the farm. Each station is designed to be both educational and engaging, ensuring students leave with practical knowledge they can apply at home. There is also a snack station as always, a fan favorite for volunteers and students alike.

Through a partnership with the Progressive Agriculture Foundation, Hettinger Jaycees, Farmers Union Co-op, and other area sponsors, youth will receive a T-shirt, snack, and a bag of other safety-related items to take home. We are incredibly grateful for each of our community group



volunteers who will be leading a station. New this year, each school's FFA program will be leading a station! Adams County Farm Bureau, West Plains Implement, Farm Credit Services of Mandan, West River Health Services, and NDSU Extension will

also be leading stations. At the end of the day, each student will vote for their favorite station, so hopefully the station leaders are bringing their best!

With a focus on education, engagement, and prevention, Farm Safety Day remains an important opportuni-

ty to provide the next generation with the tools they need to stay safe while growing up in and around agriculture. If you have any ag-related questions or would like to help with future events, please reach out to the Adams County Extension office at 701-567-2735.



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