

## Registration and Hotel Deadline

The conference is hosted jointly by the Colorado and WyFB YF&R Committees for farmers and ranchers; all ages are welcome (no membership necessary). Registration will run Dec. 15-Jan. 15. The general registration fee is \$125 and collegiate registrations will be \$75. Visit [wyfb.org](http://wyfb.org) for the registration form.

Hotel Reservations will be made on your own through the SpringHill Suites Cheyenne- 307-267-8955 mention Young Farmers and Ranchers for the group rate of \$109+tax when booking. Group rates close on January 20th and are only while supplies last.

## Conference Agenda

### Thursday February 5

- 4:00 p.m. Wyoming Collegiate Discussion Meet Round 1
- 5:00 p.m. Wyoming Collegiate Discussion Meet Round 2
- 6:00 p.m. Committee Mixer

### Friday February 6

- 8:30 a.m. Wyoming Collegiate Discussion Meet Finals
- 8:30 a.m. Registration/Check In
- 9:45 a.m. Optional Tour of Wyoming State Capital
- 11:00 a.m. Committee Meeting
- 12:30 a.m. Welcome
- 1:00 p.m. Breakout Sessions
- 4:45 p.m. Happy Hour
- 6:00 p.m. Dinner
- 6:30 p.m. **Open Horizons**

### Cassidy Johnson – Keynote speaker

*Wanting to break into a certain industry? Looking to ranch as a career, but not born into it? Questioning how to make connections? Cassidy walks you through how to get started and what to do to make your dreams a reality.*

### Saturday February 7

- 8:00 a.m. **The Dividing Line, Martin Carcasson,**  
Center for Public Deliberation
- 9:00 a.m. Growing the Grassroots Breakout Sessions  
*Collegiate Chapters Workshop*  
*County Board Simulation*
- 10:00 a.m. **Can You Hear Me Now?**

### Tori Graves, USDA Rural Development

*Ever had to apologize for poor service during a call? Or missed a big opportunity because your internet went out? Do you feel like your town is screaming for attention because it doesn't have adequate services? Maybe the USDA Rural Development programs can help! With priorities focused on infrastructure, energy, access, and electricity, places with low population can get the help needed. Not only do they offer guides to get stuff done, they also pony up the money. Take notes and lead your community to a strong future.*

- 11:00 a.m. Successful Succession Panel Discussion
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch and Group Photo
- 1:00 p.m. Activity TBA
- 2:00 p.m. Borders, Boundaries, and Barriers Breakout Session Round 1  
*Federal Policy Update*  
*Handling Stress*  
*Grant Writing Workshop*
- 3:00 p.m. Borders, Boundaries, and Barriers Breakout Session Round 2

*Farm Credit*  
*Handling Stress*  
*Grant Writing Workshop*

4:30 p.m. Tour Cheyenne Frontier days

5:30 p.m. Happy Hour

6:00 p.m. Dinner

6:45 **Building Bridges**

**Aaron Alejandro – Keynote Speaker**

*Alejandro is Executive Director of the Texas FFA Foundation located in Austin, Texas. In his non-professional hours, Aaron consults with businesses, organizations, education and youth clubs about ways to improve organizational and individual performance. He has more than 30 years of experience in management, personal and professional training.*