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**Federal Premium Continues 81-year Support of 4-H Shooting Sports**

**ANOKA, Minnesota – July 10, 2015 –** Federal Premium® Ammunition was a top-level sponsor of the 2015 4-H Shooting Sports National Championships held at Heartland Public Shooting Park in Grand Island, Nebraska, June 21-26. The event set records with teams representing 32 states and 620 individual competitors in a variety of shooting disciplines.

Federal Premium Ammunition has sponsored 4-H conservation and shooting sports programs for more than 80 years. In addition to sponsoring national competitions, the company was integral in both the formation of 4-H conservation-themed camps in 1934 and the Shooting Sports project in 1976.

“Federal Premium supports our national shoot every year,” said National 4H Shooting Sports Coordinator Conrad Arnold. “They also sponsor our leader training efforts as well, because recruiting adult leaders to coach clubs is the single most limiting factor to the growth of the program.”

4-H Shooting Sports reached over 330,000 children a year in 2015. Federal Premium has donated more than $330,000 to 4-H Shooting Sports in the last decade, and its lifetime support totals more than $1 million.

“Our relationship with 4-H is rooted in a common commitment to youth development via the shooting sports,” said Federal Premium Conservation Director Ryan Bronson. “The goal for Federal Premium is more than recruiting future customers. We’re concerned about developing responsible citizens that also appreciate and promote the rights and responsibilities of firearms ownership. We plan to continue these efforts for many more years to come.”

4-H has been one of the primary beneficiaries of the Federal Premium youth ammunition program. Federal Premium created a DVD in cooperation with 4-H that includes the 4-H method of teaching new shooters the basics of wingshooting, rifle and pistol shooting. This asset is available on the company website at cost. For more information on this DVD, along with more educational materials designed for new shooters, visit [www.federalpremium.com/education](http://www.federalpremium.com/education).

To learn more about 4-H and its history within shooting sports, please visit:

[4-hhistorypreservation.com/History/Events/Shooting\_Sports.asp](http://4-hhistorypreservation.com/History/Events/Shooting_Sports.asp)

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*Photo caption: The 4-H South Carolina shotgun team took time to visit with Federal Premium’s Conservation Director Ryan Bronson following their trap competition at the Heartland Public Shooting Park.*