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6th Annual SDSU Extension Specialty Crop Field Day

**Tuesday, September 15, 2026
4:30-8:00 p.m. CDT
SDSU Campus Specialty Crop
Field-South, Brookings**

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4:30 p.m. Educational Booths and Poster Display Open

4:50 p.m. Welcome and Evening Overview

5:00 p.m. Specialty Crop Research Tour

1. Sizzling High Tunnel Heat Management Strategies for 11 Lettuce Cultivars
2. Double Trouble & Sticky Situations! Grafted Tomatoes with Foliar Molasses
3. Floral and Gour(d)geous: Cut Flower Succession and Fall Gourd Trials
4. A Wild Approach to Field Grown Tomatoes with Cover Crops + Grafting
5. Squashing problems: Cucurbit Foliar Diseases
6. Some like it hot: Alternaria Internal Rot of Peppers

Self-guided Stops During Supper:

1. Plant Pest on the Prairies: Aster Yellows
2. Get Pumped! Small, Medium, and Large Pumpkin Trials

6:15 PM Picnic Supper, visit with Educational Booth Exhibitors, and Networking

7:00 p.m. Closing Remarks + Tour Part II Overview

7:15 PM Tours

1. How to Build and Maintain Caterpillar Tunnels with Cody Molnar
2. SDSU Local Foods Education Center with Ginger McNickle + SDSU LFEC Students

Note Alternate Location: 1600 Medary Ave, Brookings, SD 57007

8:00 p.m. Field Day Concludes

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Free Meal!*



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