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2022 NWYC Quality Award Winners Include WestBred® Growers.

Over half of the winning growers of the inaugural grain quality awards grew WestBred Wheat.

ST. LOUIS (March. 13, 2023) — The 2022 National Wheat Yield Contest (NWYC) introduced new grain quality awards and announced the winners in February. Six of the 11 inaugural winners grew WestBred Wheat varieties.

“These growers not only delivered award-winning yields but also produced the grain quality properties the industry desires. We congratulate all the inaugural winners of the NWYC Quality Awards,” said Jeff Koscelny, cereals account management lead, Bayer. “The WestBred Wheat product development program focuses on yield, grain quality and agronomic traits. The winning WestBred Wheat varieties for quality are excellent examples of products that combine all those key attributes that growers need to be successful.”

Wheat grain samples were submitted by the 2022 national yield winners and tested for end-use quality. A panel of industry experts evaluated the results and selected the quality award winners.

WestBred Wheat varieties earned all three places in the Hard Red Winter category, two in the Hard Red Spring category and one in the Hard White Spring category.

WestBred national grain quality award winners include:

Hard Red Winter

- Doug & Janelle Fitterer, New England, ND, with WB4309 that yielded 115.69 Bu/A
- Chris Carlson, Mott, ND, with KELDIN that yielded 107.71 Bu/A
- Brett Oelke, Hoxie, KS, with WB-GRAINFIELD that yielded 106.34 Bu/A

Hard Red Spring



- Matt Krueger, East Grand Forks, MN, with WB9590 that yielded 113.51 Bu/A
- Trevor Stout, Genesee, ID, with WB9303 that yielded 116.40 Bu/A

Hard White Spring

- Dallin Wilcox, Rexburg, ID, with WB7589 that yielded 160.63 Bu/A

“Eleven of the 24 national yield winners in the 2022 NWYC planted WestBred Wheat varieties, and over half of them have won in the quality category,” said Koscelny. “Year in and year out, in every type of growing season, our genetics continue to stand out, and growers choose WestBred Wheat for consistently high performance.”

Looking Forward to 2023 NWYC

WestBred is proud to be a sponsor of the NWYC to showcase U.S. wheat production and wheat grower innovation and productivity. We encourage farmers interested in competing in the 2023 contest to contact their [WestBred seed supplier](#) or local [WestBred representative](#). Official rules and entry deadlines are [now available](#).

About WestBred

[WestBred®-Wheat](#) provides seed suppliers and their growers access to high yield potential wheat seed, as well as testing, education, resources and experienced representatives to help maximize their yield potential.

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