



Wheat Variety Plot

Kansas
4-H Youth Development



Why Enroll?

Here is your chance to try something different from the regular 4-H plant science project. Participants are not required to be enrolled in 4-H plant science. However, the wheat variety plot activity does strengthen your plant science project. All Kansas youth who are aged 9 to 18 before January 1 are eligible to participate.

Incentives

Involvement gives you public exposure. Your friends and neighbors can see your wheat plots of five certified seed varieties throughout the growing season.

A large steel sign with your name in large letters identifies your variety plot, and individual signs identify each variety. Best of all, seed and signs are free to you, provided by donors.

In case you are trying for a 4-H scholarship, trip, or awards, this activity increases your chances by strengthening your total 4-H record book.

And that's not all. You are encouraged to exhibit a 4-H wheat variety display at the county fair for many people to see. Your wheat display could be one of those selected for the Kansas State Fair competition in Hutchinson.

There is much for you to learn about wheat varieties and production. The *Wheat Variety Plot Youth Participant Handbook* (4H566) gives you planting, growing, and harvesting details and tips.

Awards — State Level

In case you like to work for awards, the wheat booths exhibited at the Kansas State Fair are eligible for the following awards:

- *First-Place Booth* – Engraved plaque and \$250
- *Second-Place Booth* – Engraved plaque, \$100
- *Third-Place Booth* – Engraved plaque, \$40 cash
- *Fourth-Place Booth* – Engraved plaque, \$30 cash
- *Fifth-Place Booth* – Engraved plaque, \$25 cash
- State Fair ribbon awarded for each display exhibit entered

Call your local K-State Research and Extension agent if you need more information or are interested in enrolling.

Enrollment Procedure

Enrollment in the program is required in mid July for the new growing season. For more about the deadline and rules, visit

www.kansas4-H.org/desktopdefault.aspx?tabid=297.

This early enrollment is necessary to allow time to locate and secure the varieties of certified seed, sack, package and ship sets of wheat to each county in time for fall wheat planting.

To enroll, contact your local K-State Research and Extension agent by the July deadline. State your name as you want it to be lettered on your large steel wheat variety plot sign. Also, give your parent's name, your complete mailing address, preferred phone number, and preferred e-mail address.

During the growing season, letters and information about the variety program will be mailed directly to you. A copy will also be sent to your county agent.

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