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Destry Swaim Wins Top Honors as Grand Champion at the 2023 State 4-H/FFA Junior Wheat Show

Oklahoma City, OK – Destry Swaim, son of Brandon and Robin Swaim, was awarded 1st place, FFA champion and overall Grand Champion showing his Doublestop CL Plus variety in the 2023 Oklahoma 4-H/FFA Junior Wheat Show. Swaim placed 9th in production and milling and 1st in baking, (for which he receives a plaque) earning him top awards. Swaim is a member of the Okeene FFA chapter.

an additional \$50 premium from Oklahoma Wheat Research Foundation,

According to Kim Anderson, Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service grain marketing specialist; “Participating students learn what it takes to produce milling quality wheat.” He also stated that “The purpose of this program is to promote the production of quality wheat and teach 4-H and FFA youth about wheat production, marketing, and management.”

Swaim, a member of the Okeene FFA in Blaine County, received \$3,000 in scholarship money for his accomplishments with his Doublestop CL Plus variety. Destry also received a \$750 premium from Oklahoma Genetics Inc (OGI) for winning 1st place and FFA Grand Champion with the Doublestop CL Plus variety and an additional \$500 premium for being FFA Grand Champion from WestBred®. In addition, he received a \$350 premium for 1st place and Grand Champion winner of the 4-H and FFA competitions from the Oklahoma Wheat Research Foundation, along with a \$35.00 premium for production, milling, and bake contest and trophies.

In all, \$16,000 in scholarship money was given away at the banquet. Scholarships are funded by check-off dollars and awarded to the top five 4-H and top five FFA entries. The contest is sponsored by the Oklahoma Wheat Commission, Oklahoma Wheat Research Foundation, Oklahoma Genetics Incorporated, Westbred®, Oklahoma State University and the Oklahoma Department of Career Technology and Education. The Oklahoma Wheat Commission works to promote greater utilization of wheat in both domestic and international markets through research, market development, and public education.

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Photo caption: Alec Anderson, Oklahoma NW District FFA Vice President; David Gammill, Chairman, Oklahoma Wheat Commission; Terry Detrick, Oklahoma Wheat Research Foundation; grandfather Ted Swaim; parents Brandon and Robin Swaim; Karl Riffel, Okeene FFA Advisor and Jan Lee Rowlett, Deputy Commissioner of Agriculture, Oklahoma Department of Agriculture Food and Forestry presents Destry Swaim his 1st place/Champion and Grand Champion awards for the 2023 State 4-H/FFA Junior Wheat Show. Photo Credit: Dustin Mielke, Oklahoma Farm Bureau.

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Davin Budy Places 2nd with Doublestop CL Plus Variety at the 2023 State 4-H/FFA Junior Wheat Show

Oklahoma City, OK – Davin Budy, son of Chad and Danielle Budy, recently placed 2nd overall in the FFA division while showing his Doublestop CL Plus variety in the 2023 Oklahoma State 4-H/FFA Junior Wheat Show. Budy placed 1st in the production and milling contest (for which he received a plaque), 12th in the bake contest and 2nd overall. Budy also placed 15th overall, 12th in milling & production and 14th in baking with his Green Hammer variety.

According to Kim Anderson, Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service grain marketing specialist; “Participating students learn what it takes to produce milling quality wheat.” He also stated that “The purpose of this program is to promote the production of quality wheat and teach 4-H and FFA youth about wheat production, marketing, and management.”

Budy, a member of the Cherokee FFA in Alfalfa County, received \$2,000 in scholarship money for his accomplishments with Doublestop CL Plus variety. Budy received a \$400 premium from Oklahoma Genetics Inc., \$50 from Oklahoma Research Foundation and a \$47.50 premium for milling and baking. In all, \$16,000 in scholarship money was given away at the banquet. Scholarships are funded by check-off dollars and awarded to the top five 4-H and top five FFA entries. The contest is sponsored by the Oklahoma Wheat Commission, Oklahoma Wheat Research Foundation, Oklahoma Genetics Incorporated, Westbred®, Oklahoma State University and the Oklahoma Department of Career Technology and Education.

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Photo caption: Alec Anderson, Oklahoma NW District FFA Vice President; David Gammill, Chairman, Oklahoma Wheat Commission; Terry Detrick, Oklahoma Wheat Research Foundation; parents Danielle and Chad Budy; Christy Snider, Cherokee FFA Advisor and Jan Lee Rowlett, Deputy Commissioner of Agriculture, Oklahoma Department of Agriculture Food and Forestry presents Davin Budy his 2nd place award for the 2023 State 4-H/FFA Junior Wheat Show. Photo Credit: Dustin Mielke, Oklahoma Farm Bureau.

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Griffin Payne Places 3rd with Doublestop CL Plus Variety
at the 2023 State 4-H/FFA Junior Wheat Show

Oklahoma City, Okla. – Griffin Payne, son of Rick and Jennifer Payne, recently placed 3rd overall in the FFA division while showing his Doublestop CL Plus variety in the 2023 Oklahoma State 4-H/FFA Junior Wheat Show. Payne placed 5th in the production and milling contest, 15th in the bake contest and 3rd overall. Payne also placed 13th overall, 14th in milling & production and 8th in baking with his LCS Atomic AX variety.

According to Kim Anderson, Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service grain marketing specialist; “Participating students learn what it takes to produce milling quality wheat.” He also stated that “The purpose of this program is to promote the production of quality wheat and teach 4-H and FFA youth about wheat production, marketing, and management.”

Griffin Payne, a member of the Thomas-Fay-Custer FFA in Custer County, received \$1,000 in scholarship money for his accomplishments with Doublestop CL Plus variety, \$300 from Oklahoma Genetics Inc. and \$50 from Oklahoma Research Foundation. Payne also received \$40.00 in premiums for his mill and bake scores. In all, \$16,000 in scholarship money was given away at the banquet. Scholarships are funded by check-off dollars and awarded to the top five 4-H and top five FFA entries. The contest is sponsored by the Oklahoma Wheat Commission, Oklahoma Wheat Research Foundation, Oklahoma Genetics Incorporated, Westbred®, Oklahoma State University and the Oklahoma Department of Career Technology and Education.

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Photo caption: Alec Anderson, Oklahoma NW District FFA Vice President; David Gammill, Chairman, Oklahoma Wheat Commission; Terry Detrick, Oklahoma Wheat Research Foundation; parent Rick Payne; Justin Kliever, Thomas-Fay-Custer FFA Advisor and Jan Lee Rowlett, Deputy Commissioner of Agriculture, Oklahoma Department of Agriculture Food and Forestry presents Griffin Payne his 4th place award for the 2023 State 4-H/FFA Junior Wheat Show. Photo Credit: Dustin Mielke, Oklahoma Farm Bureau.

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Carson Payne Places 4th with Doublestop CL Plus Variety at the 2023 State 4-H/FFA Junior Wheat Show

Oklahoma City, Okla. – Carson Payne, son of Rick and Jennifer Payne, recently placed 4th overall in the FFA division while showing his Doublestop CL Plus variety in the 2023 Oklahoma State 4-H/FFA Junior Wheat Show. Carson placed 4th in production and milling, 20th in baking and 4th overall in the FFA competition. Payne also placed 24th overall, 25th in milling & production and 19th in baking with his Big Country variety.

According to Kim Anderson, Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service grain marketing specialist; “Participating students learn what it takes to produce milling quality wheat.” He also stated that “The purpose of this program is to promote the production of quality wheat and teach 4-H and FFA youth about wheat production, marketing, and management.”

Carson Payne, a member of the Thomas-Fay-Custer FFA chapter, received \$1,000 in scholarship money for his accomplishments with his Doublestop CL Plus variety, \$200 from Oklahoma Genetics, Inc. and a \$30.00 premium for his mill and bake scores. In all, \$16,000 in scholarship money was given away at the banquet. Scholarships are funded by check-off dollars and awarded to the top five 4-H and top five FFA entries. The contest is sponsored by the Oklahoma Wheat Commission, Oklahoma Wheat Research Foundation, Oklahoma Genetics Incorporated, Westbred®, Oklahoma State University and Oklahoma Department of Career Technology and Education.

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Tanner Otto Places 5th with Doublestop CL Plus Variety at the 2023 State 4-H/FFA Junior Wheat Show

Oklahoma City, OK – Tanner Otto, son of Chad and Bonnie Otto, recently placed 5th overall in the FFA division while showing his Doublestop CL Plus variety in the 2023 Oklahoma State 4-H/FFA Junior Wheat Show. Otto placed 3rd in production and milling (for which he received a plaque), 22nd in baking and 5th overall in the FFA competition.

According to Kim Anderson, Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service grain marketing specialist; “Participating students learn what it takes to produce milling quality wheat.” He also stated that “The purpose of this program is to promote the production of quality wheat and teach 4-H and FFA youth about wheat production, marketing, and management.”

Otto, a member of the Ponca City FFA chapter, received \$1,000 in scholarship money for his accomplishment with his Doublestop CL Plus variety, \$100 from Oklahoma Genetics Inc., and a \$25.00 premium for his milling and bake scores. In all, \$16,000 in scholarship money was given away at the banquet. Scholarships are funded by check-off dollars and awarded to the top five 4-H and top five FFA entries. The contest is sponsored by the Oklahoma Wheat Commission, Oklahoma Wheat Research Foundation, Oklahoma Genetics Incorporated, WestBred®, Oklahoma State University and Oklahoma Department of Career Technology and Education.

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Photo caption: Alec Anderson, Oklahoma NW District FFA Vice President; David Gammill, Chairman, Oklahoma Wheat Commission; Terry Detrick, Oklahoma Wheat Research Foundation; parents Bonnie and Chad Otto; Kevin Frazier, Ponca City FFA Advisor and Jan Lee Rowlett, Deputy Commissioner of Agriculture, Oklahoma Department of Agriculture Food and Forestry presents Tanner Otto his 5th place award for the 2023 State 4-H/FFA Junior Wheat Show. Photo Credit: Dustin Mielke, Oklahoma Farm Bureau.

FFA Junior Wheat Show winners were:

- 1st place and Grand Champion– Destry Swaim – Okeene FFA - Doublestop CL Plus
- 2nd place – Davin Budy –Cherokee FFA – Doublestop CL Plus
- 3rd place – Griffin Payne – Thomas-Fay-Custer FFA – Doublestop CL Plus
- 4th place – Carson Payne – Thomas-Fay-Custer FFA – Doublestop CL Plus
- 5th place – Tanner Otto – Ponca City FFA – Doublestop CL Plus
- 6th place – Taylor Otto – Ponca City FFA – Doublestop CL Plus
- 7th place – Saidee Wright – Lomega FFA – Doublestop CL Plus
- 8th place – Erin Smith – Hydro-Eakly FFA – Doublestop CL Plus
- 9th place – Brax Meacham -Hydro-Eakly FFA – Doublestop CL Plus
- 10th place – Ashley Purvine – Thomas-Fay-Custer FFA – Doublestop CL Plus
- 11th place – Tyler Sawyer - Okeene FFA – Doublestop CL Plus
- 12th place – Rebecca Purvine – Thomas-Fay-Custer FFA – Doublestop CL Plus
- 13th place – Griffin Payne – Thomas-Fay-Custer FFA – LCS Atomic AX
- 14th place – Brayson Roberts – Okeene FFA – Doublestop CL Plus
- 15th place – Davin Budy –Cherokee FFA – Green Hammer
- 16th place – Bryer Roberts – Okeene FFA – Doublestop CL Plus
- 17th place – Preston Boeckman – Okeene FFA – Showdown
- 18th place – Creden Woods – Hydro-Eakly – Smith’s Gold
- 19th place – Preston Boeckman - Okeene FFA – Doublestop CL Plus

20th place – Marlee Pecha – Timberlake FFA – Strad CL Plus
21st place – Grant Robison - Okeene FFA – Showdown
22nd place – Charles Miller – Thomas-Fay-Custer FFA – Doublestop CL Plus
23rd place – Alex Laubach - Okeene FFA – Doublestop CL Plus
24th place – Carson Payne – Thomas-Fay-Custer – Big Country
25th place – Grant Robison – Okeene FFA – Doublestop CL Plus

4-H Junior Wheat Show winners were:

1st place & 4-H Champion – Clinton Chaney - Medford 4-H – WB4515
2nd place – Jayce Schultz – Okeene 4-H – Doublestop CL Plus
3rd place – Logan Chance – Okeene 4-H – Doublestop CL Plus
4th place – Ty Otto – K-Pals 4-H Club Ponca City – Doublestop CL Plus
5th place – Mia Forman – Lomega 4-H – Doublestop CL Plus
6th place – Bryson Sawyer – Okeene 4-H – Doublestop CL Plus
7th place – Logan Chance – Okeene 4-H – Green Hammer
8th place – Kinley Brown - Newkirk 4-H – Doublestop CL Plus
9th place – Taylor Robison – Okeene 4-H – Showdown
10th place – Jayce Schultz – Okeene 4-H – Endurance
11th place – Danny Miller – Thomas-Fay-Custer 4-H – Doublestop CL Plus
12th place – Baylea Robison – Okeene 4-H – Showdown
13th place – Emery Fisher - Okeene 4-H – OK Corral
14th place – Audrey Kauk – Arapho-Butler 4-H – Winterhawk
15th place – Baylea Robison – Okeene 4-H – Doublestop CL Plus
16th place – Taylor Robison – Okeene 4-H – Doublestop CL Plus
17th place – Breck Failes – Cherokee 4-H – Showdown
18th place – Clinton Chaney – Medford 4-H – WB4699
19th place – Kyan Herrmann - Agra 4-H – WB4699
20th place – Kinley Brown – Newkirk 4-H – WB 4699
21st place – Sophia Roush – Arapaho 4-H – Smith's Gold