

The Seed Source October 2022

Newsletter of Kansas Crop Improvement Association

Important Dates

November 11 - Veterans Day, KCIA Office closed

November 24–Thanksgiving Day, KCIA closed 24, 25

December 15-Distribution Reports due for seed activity not conducted through the dashboard

Other dates

November 6-Daylight Saving Time ends

Don't get left behind Sign up to use the certification dashboard today. Click the Seed Test/Lot Mgmt. button at www.kscrop.org to register or, call us

The Seed Source

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Early Adopters Help Launch of Lot Management Dashboard

We appreciate those members that jumped in with both feet to help us launch our lot management dashboard. It was your participation that enabled us to identify glitches, and your patience while we resolved issues that kept us from tearing our hair out.

The dashboard is functioning well now and, we have received positive comments from member-users. We have refining to do still, but by and large the program is working well. Harris Schrick, of JNT, has done a remarkable job of helping resolve issues quickly.

Members Need to Create Dashboard Account

By next year, the Testing/Seed lot Management dashboard will be mandatory. We ask that members create their account now and use the dashboard this season, even if only for a couple of seed lots to get familiar with the system.

In life, change is inevitable. We realize that some members may be skeptical of the new dashboard. We also realize that often opinions may be formed without benefit of all the facts.

The new dashboard was designed for ease of use. The dashboard will keep track of your inventory, allow you to print your own bulk retail certificates, easily conduct resales and additional sales, consolidate seed lots, create blends, and maintain records for each seed lot. Use of the dashboard will in most cases eliminate the need for an end-ofyear distribution report.

The dashboard will also help KCIA contain costs through reduced data entry and reduced labor needs and help staff to better maintain accurate records.

There is a video link to training on our website www.kscrop.org homepage.

Now is the time to create your account, while we are all changing together. Do not be left behind the eight ball by procrastinating.

Pending Lots

When we first began beta testing the lot management dashboard, we uploaded 2021 data to use. Once ready to launch, carryover information from the 2021 distribution was uploaded to keep those lots active.

If there are seed lots in your pending lots that shouldn't be there, simply discard them. The only lots, if any, that should remain in your pending lots should be new seed lots and carryover lots. New seed lots are usually awaiting input of weight by KCIA. Carryover lots are awaiting completion of re-germs.

If you have a lot in pending and the re-germ or testing has been completed, please give us a call so we can activate it.

KCIA Will Buy Back Unused Bulk Retail Sale Certificates and Resale Forms

The new lot management dashboard allows users to print their own bulk retail sale certificates. This eliminates the need to purchase the NCR three-page form from KCIA. It also eliminates the need to send copies to KCIA. (continued page 2)

Likewise, the *Transfer or Resale of Kansas (Certified Seed in Bulk* forms are no longer necessary as the dashboard has simplified resales, If "in the dirt" transfers are anticipated, the form is still required so hang on to them.

Members that have unused forms can mail those to KCIA and will receive a refund for the forms as well as postage for regular 1st class or parcel mail service. Refunds will be credited to your KCIA account unless instructed otherwise.

2022 Wheat Plot Variety Contest

Winners of the 2022 4H Wheat Plot Variety Contest were recognized September 10 at the Kansas State Fair. Ian Dunn (left in photo), St. John, took second place and received a plaque and one hundred and fifty dollars from KCIA. Steve Schuler, Exec Dir, represented KCIA members at the presentation.

Participants in the contest plant five varieties of wheat and create an educational display to showcase their work.

Other winners were: 1st Kansas Lange, Garfield; 3rd Landon Wisbey, Salina; 4th Ryan Myers, Minneapolis; and, Ean Doane, Alton.

Along with KCIA, the Kansas Wheat Commission, Kansas Grain and Feed Association, and Kansas Agribusiness Retailers Association cosponsor the competition.





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