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REMINDER: National Wheat Yield Contest Deadline May 15!!!

I know everyone has corn and soybean planting on their minds but I wanted to remind those wanting to enter the wheat contest that the deadline is right around the corner. Just a reminder that the entry process is totally on-line (no paper copies) and is identical to the national corn contest. To enter you must be a member of the National Association of Wheat Growers (NAWG) which is \$100/year. The contest entry fee is \$125. It would be great to get NY on the map and let everyone know we grow some high yielding wheat!

Here is the link to the contest homepage where you can read more about the contest and enter, <https://yieldcontest.wheatfoundation.org/>.

Here is a link to a pdf of the entry and harvest rules, <https://yieldcontest.wheatfoundation.org/Content/RulesPDF/NWYC%20Entry%20Harvest%20Rules.pdf>.

- ◆ Here is a summary of some of the contest rules:
- ◆ Must be certified seed, a blended seed can be used
- ◆ Entry field must be at least five continuous acres
- ◆ The harvest entry must be at least 1.5 acres
- ◆ Must have a designated supervisor
- ◆ Must be weighed on a certified scale, no weigh wagons
- ◆ Reweigh required if over 150 bu/acre
- ◆ Quality sample required

National and State winners are established based on the percentage your final yield is above the 5-year Olympic average for your county. For example, if your county average is 50 bushel and your contest yield is 100 bushel, then you are 100% above your county average. I looked up what the 5-year Olympic average (2012 - 2016) for wheat is for our ten counties. The Olympic average means you throw out the highest and lowest of the five years.

Olympic	5 - yr.	Wheat Yield	Avg.
Genesee	69	Orleans	66
Livingston	70	Seneca	66
Monroe	69	Wayne	61
Niagara	71	Wyoming	84
Ontario	64	Yates	69

If you enter the contest, please let me know so I can keep track of everyone.
Good Luck!

