

# State “Best of Wheat” Bread Baking Contest

Sponsored by the Oklahoma Wheat Commission

## **SENIOR DIVISION**

(18 years and older)

- I-64 White Bread
- I-65 Whole Wheat Bread
- I-66 Dinner Rolls, (3)
- I-67 Other Wheat Breads
- I-68 Sweet Breads
- I-69 Bread Machine

## **JUNIOR DIVISION**

(Under 18 years of age at county entry)

- I-70 White Bread
- I-71 Whole Wheat Bread
- I-72 Dinner Rolls, (3)
- I-73 Other Wheat Breads
- I-74 Sweet Breads
- I-75 Specialty Shape Breads
- I-76 Bread Machine

County Champion and Reserve Champion winners (*excluding* bread machine classes) will receive awards from the Oklahoma Wheat Commission (OWC). Premiums will **not** be provided by the OWC. Counties may offer premiums and other awards. 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> placings in each category and division will receive Pott County Free Fair premiums based on the current county fair payouts. County Champions and Reserve Champions (*including* bread machine classes) will be invited to the State Fair competition.

**Recipes winning first place at the 2025 State contest are ineligible to be used in the 2026 contest.**

Each entry must be prepared and baked by the person whose name is on the entry form with phone numbers and email addresses submitted. This data is valuable if inquiries arise when editing the “Best of Wheat” Cookbook.

The same person may not win Champion, Reserve Champion or Bread Machine Class unless there is minimal participation. **Duplicate recipes may not be entered by different family members in any class or division.** A copy of the recipe will be required with each entry at both the State and County levels. No changes to the recipe may be made at the State level (you **must** bring to State what won at County).

Whole Wheat Bread Classes i65 and i71 – will include only the use of whole wheat flour and/or a whole white wheat flour. **No all-purpose or bread flour included in this category.** Dough enhancers, vital wheat gluten and whole grains, in addition to whole wheat, are permissible. (Please note: This is the first year we are offering a Whole Wheat Bread Class for juniors to encourage whole grain consumption and increased dietary fiber options.)

Dinner Rolls Classes i66 and i72 – should consist of three (3) rolls per entry. Any shape acceptable.

Other Wheat Breads Classes i67 and i73 – will include other breads made with yeast such as cheese, French, onion, sourdough, challah, focaccia, etc. NO QUICK BREADS unless yeast is used as a leavening agent. (All bread must use yeast as a leavening agent.)

Specialty Shape Breads Class i75 – Let your imagination go: animals, people, objects, etc. (This year’s cookbook will have a Route 66 theme celebrating its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary so specialty shapes are encouraged to highlight items on the Mother Road.) **All garnishes must be edible.** Twists and star breads should be entered in the “Other Wheat Breads” or “Sweet Breads” category and not the “Specialty Shape Breads” class.

**\*\*Submitted recipes need to state what type of flour is utilized (whole wheat, bread, all-purpose, hard red or white). For publication purposes, whether yeast is active or instant should also be specified.**

The “Best of Wheat” Bread Baking Contest is to be judged separately from the county fair open class division. County Champion and Reserve Champion from each division are eligible for state competition (see exception below) at the **State Fair of Oklahoma on September 27, 2026.**

One (1) Bread Machine entry from each division, classes i69 and i76, determined by county judge, will be eligible for competition at state level. Bread machine entries will not be eligible for Grand Champion or Reserve Champion at County and State level. They are also ineligible for the Silver Tray Award at State. First through 5<sup>th</sup> place ribbons will be awarded to the Bread Machine class in both divisions at the State competition. If any part of the recipe is done with a bread machine, then the recipe will be classified in the bread machine category.

\*The 2026 Oklahoma State Fair catalog contains the final written rules governing this contest. If questions arise, check the catalog, or call (405) 608-4350.