



Certified Texas Bred Registry Giving Back to the Youth of Texas

Kyle, Texas – May 17, 2019 - The Certified Texas Bred Registry program was established in 1996 to promote Texas bred and raised pigs and supports both the breeders and the 4-H and FFA youth of Texas who raise and show Certified Texas Bred pigs. Through this program, stock show premiums in excess of \$800,000 have been awarded to Texas youth over the 20+ years existence of the Certified Texas Bred Registry. With the great success of CTBR, a scholarship and production grant program was developed in 2011; since its inception, \$77,500 has now been awarded to Texas youth. CTBR committee chairman, Shannon Barbee, said, "It is always great to see the quality of students we get that apply for this scholarship each year. As an organization, we are pleased to award these five students to contribute to their future endeavors." The Certified Texas Bred Foundation Gilt Program is proud to announce this year's scholarship and production grant recipients:

- Laurrell Pfeiffer, Hondo High School
- Clara Steglich, Holland High School
- Brendan Weaver, Plainview High School
- Reagan Wagner, Hamilton High School
- Zachary Weishuhn, Wall High School

Funds for the scholarship program come annually from the sale of the foundation gilt, which is donated by a top CTBR breeder. This year Jay & Will Winter, of Wintex Farms in Lubbock, graciously donated an exceptional gilt to make this possible. TPPA Executive Vice President, Brandon Gunn, stated, "It was an awesome experience to be able to display this gilt at the first ever Texas' Elite Showcase and have the breeders talk about how they are giving this gilt to the youth of Texas. The future is bright with people like Jay and Will working to ensure that the next generation has all the tools they need to continue to grow our industry."



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