



Wyoming's state tree is the Cottonwood.

Wyoming State Statistics

Active Arbor Day Foundation members in Wyoming
2,881



TREE CITY USA® Program in Wyoming:

Tree City USA Communities: **39**
Total population served: **316,380**

Largest Tree City USA in Wyoming:
Cheyenne, population 53,011

Smallest Tree City USA in Wyoming:
Chugwater, population 244

Arbor Day Poster Contest
Participants in Wyoming:
500 Fifth grade classrooms
12,500 Fifth grade students

Arbor Day Award Winners from
Wyoming: **7**

**Wyoming celebrates Arbor Day on
the last Monday in April**



Wyoming

Arbor Day Foundation Launches Youth Education Program – Nature Explore

In growing efforts to reconnect young children with nature, Nature Explore Classrooms are being planned and built throughout the country.

These unique outdoor learning environments continue to prove effective in helping young children have positive, multi-sensory experiences with nature while inspiring a sense of wonder.

Several states currently have Nature Explore Classrooms already under construction at early childhood centers, botanical gardens, elementary schools, and day care settings. Classrooms are built using concepts from the *Learning With Nature Idea Book* in addition to assistance from landscape architects or early childhood educators.



Wyoming Members Plant 20,454 Trees

The Arbor Day Foundation's dedicated members are making a difference by planting trees in their communities across the United States. Our 2,881 Wyoming members have helped plant more than 20,454 trees across the state in 2006.

Trees provide numerous benefits to us and our environment. Whether it is planting just one or the thousands of trees mentioned above, our members in Wyoming have added beauty to their homes and neighborhoods, increased their property value, attracted birds and other wildlife, provided shade and wind-breaks, decreased energy costs, and created a more livable community.



Thousands of Wyoming Students Take Part in Arbor Day Poster Contest

Each year, the Arbor Day Foundation coordinates the Arbor Day National Poster Contest, sponsored by Toyota, for fifth graders in classrooms across the country. Now in its sixteenth year, the contest reaches millions of children with its message about the importance of trees and wise environmental stewardship.

During the 2007 contest, more than 12,500 Wyoming students had the opportunity to discover the importance of trees and forests to our environment. Cassie N. was named the state contest winner. Her winning poster depicted the different types of forests to convey the

contest's 2007 theme, "Trees Are Terrific . . . And Forests Are Too."



(Left) 2006 Wyoming State Winner

(Below) 2007 Wyoming State Winner



Wyoming Tree City USAs Support Community Forestry

The Arbor Day Foundation's Tree City USA® program encourages, supports, and strengthens effective urban and community forestry programs in diverse communities nationwide through recognition, education, and publicity. From the humble beginning of the program 31 years ago, it has grown to be the leading community forestry recognition program in the country, with over 3,200 designated Tree City USAs across America.

Tree City USA is thriving in Wyoming because of the strong partnership between the Arbor Day Foundation and the Wyoming State Forestry Division. Wyoming boasts 39 certified Tree City USA communities. Last year, Wyoming's Tree City USAs spent a combined total of \$2,129,199 on their urban forestry budgets benefiting thousands of Wyoming residents who live in those communities. The dedication of Wyoming's urban and community foresters, city officials, and citizens to planting and caring for trees in their cities and towns helps increase energy savings, clean the air and water, and beautify the entire state.



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