

Trail to Christ Cowboy Church

October 7, 2023

HPYF BBQ COOK-OFF RULES

For online registration go to: <https://forms.gle/TKgQptRRzVmGQYia9>

Entry deadline: September 29, 2023

Team set up opens: October 6th @ 12:00 pm

Bake-off

Enter your best cake or pie. You may enter only one or one of each, if you choose. There is only one overall category for all baked goods and one winner in 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place.

Pit Masters

This cookoff is an overall championship. The scores for all four categories are added together to determine the grand champion. Grand champion team will receive \$250 and three custom handmade "Grand Champion" trophy buckles. Reserve Grand Champion will receive \$120 and one custom trophy buckle.

The 1st place in Iron Chef will receive \$100 and a one trophy.

The 1st place Showmanship will receive one trophy.

The 1st place in Brisket, Chicken legs or thighs, and Pork ribs will receive one trophy.

The 2nd and 3rd place winners will receive trophies.

Backyard BBQ'r

Grand champion team will receive \$90 and one custom handmade "Grand Champion" trophy buckle.

Reserve Grand Champion will receive \$45 and one custom trophy buckle.

May also enter Iron Chef and Showmanship.

1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners in Brisket, Chicken legs, or thighs, and Pork ribs will receive trophies.

2023 BBQ Cook Off Competition Categories

Friday Night:

Church service

50/50 Fajitas-optional to participate, \$20 entry fee for fundraiser.

Saturday:

Bake Off

Showmanship

Iron Chef

Chicken

Pork ribs

Brisket

Bake off:

The bake off is an individual category of cake, pie, or cookies. The item may be cooked and decorated at home but must be turned in by 10 am Saturday morning.

THE TWO DIVISIONS

Backyard BBQ'r: This division is for first-timers or those who are not yet comfortable with Cook-Off Competitions. The Backyard BBQ'r division has a relaxed atmosphere with the opportunity to fellowship and take part in the competition.

Pit Masters: This division includes experienced Cook-off teams or teams confident in the cook-off environment.

Rules, Regulations, and More

This is a family event! Invite your family, friends, neighbors, etc. Showmanship entries will feed the attendees on Saturday. Participation in this category will not affect the determination of the overall Grand Champion. Have fun, but NO alcohol or drugs! Excessively loud music, horns, etc. are prohibited. Camping out is OK.

Meat Rules

There will be a BBQ Committee that will inspect all meats. All meat must still be in their sealed, unopened plastic bags. Once the meat has been inspected, you may start soaking or seasoning the meat.

Turn In Box Rules

There will be no garnishing of meat. All sauces must be “cooked on”. Aluminum foil is prohibited. Any container that appears to have been deliberately marked or altered will be referred to the BBQ Pit Boss for deliberation, and most likely disqualified. Head Cooks are responsible for ensuring that the containers they receive remain clean, unmarked, and undamaged. If a box is damaged or marked, you must see Pit Boss to get it replaced.

Turn In Requirements

TEAMS WILL HAVE A 15 MINUTE WINDOW TO TURN IN THEIR ENTRIES. WHEN THE TIME EXPRIES FOR EACH CATEGORY NO OTHER ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED. PLEASE PLAN ACCORDINGLY!!

All of the following categories must be cooked on site

- Iron Chef—Ingredient will be announced and handed out at the Head Cooks meeting
- Chicken—6 chicken legs or thighs
- Brisket—6 full pieces
- Pork ribs—6 full ribs

Again, the scores for every category (excluding Showmanship) will be added together at the end of the Cookoff to determine the “Overall Grand Champion”.

Wood fires or wood substances only, cooked on the pit. Any team caught cooking meat in an electric oven will be disqualified on the spot.

Each cooking spot is responsible for fully cleaning their entire spot. **EACH TEAM MUST BRING AT LEAST ONE FIRE EXTINGUISHER.**

Judging

We utilize a double-blind judging system that is based on a duplicate numbered ticket for all judging categories. The tickets are taped (the number is hidden) to the bottom of the turn in containers. The Head Cook takes one-half of the ticket. The only person that maintains a list of assigned ticket numbers is the Head Scorekeeper & BBQ Pit Boss. If your tickets are falling off your turn in box, find a committee member and we will re-tape it for you.

When you register electronically, you will have to check a box that indicates that you have read and understood all the information above and will inform all teammates. Questions can be brought to Head Cook meeting.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

(Subject to change: the final schedule will be provided at the Head Cooks meeting.)

Friday, October 6, 2023:

12:00 pm—Teams allowed to arrive/set up.

6:30 pm—Church service

7:15 pm—Head Cook Meeting

8:30-8:45—Fajitas

Saturday, October 7, 2023

10:00 am—Bake off turn in

11:00-11:15 am—Iron Chef

11:45-12:00 pm—Chicken

1:10-1:25 pm—Ribs

2:55-3:10 pm—Brisket

4:00 pm--Pick up and clean up

5:30 pm—Awards Ceremony