



JUNETEENTH FOUNDATION, INC.

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2022 – 28th ANNUAL JUNETEENTH CHARITY BBQ COOK-OFF

COOK-OFF RULES, POLICIES, AND OTHER INFORMATION

Anyone cooking or otherwise participating in the Juneteenth Charity BBQ Cook-off must read and understand these Rules, Policies and Other Information (“Rules”). Failure to comply with these Rules may result in disqualification from cook-off categories or the entire event; eviction from the premises; and/or forfeiture of entry fees.

I. PROCEEDS AND FEES

1. **Proceeds** -- All proceeds from the Juneteenth Charity BBQ Cook-off will be granted to non-profit organizations and charitable benefits throughout Hays County.
2. **Registration & Entry Fees** -- Registration Forms and Entry Fees must be received as follows:

REGISTRATION DEADLINES: **Mail-in: Friday, June 10, 2022** **Drop-off: Wednesday, June 15, 2022.**

Mail-in to: Juneteenth Charity BBQ Cook-off -OR-
P. O. Box 447
San Marcos, TX 78667

Bring to: **DROP-OFF BOX ONLY**
505 Candlelight Lane.
San Marcos, Texas 78666

- a. Entry fees will be accepted in the form of cash; a personal check, money order; or cashier’s check, made payable to: “Juneteenth Charity BBQ Cook-off”.
 - b. Entry fees vary per category, *see Registration Form*.
3. **Food Vendor Permits** – If you plan to have members of the public “sampling” food at your campsite, you **MUST** obtain a Food Vendor Permit 30 days prior to the event (**Deadline is May 17, 2022**). Permits can be obtained for \$55 from the City of San Marcos Environmental Health Dept., 603 E. Hopkins, Bldg. 5. **This permit is not to be used for “selling” food from your BBQ Cook-off campsite.**
 4. **Food Vendor Booths** – If you plan to “sell” food, you must obtain a Vendor’s Booth by submitting a Vendor Application Form. You will not be allowed to set up a Food Vendor Booth in the BBQ Cook-off campsite area.
 5. **Electricity Fee** – Electricity is available on a **limited basis**. If you would like to have electricity at your cooking site, there is an additional \$25 fee.

II. BBQ COOK-OFF CAMPSITE POLICIES

1. **Vehicles** – **NO** vehicles are allowed in the cook-off campsite team area. Travel trailers, pop-up campers, etc. are not allowed per CoSM Rules.
2. **Containers** – **NO glass or Styrofoam** containers of any kind are allowed in the cook-off campsite team area or in the Park Plaza, per CoSM Rules.
3. **Pets** – **NO pets** are allowed in cook-off campsite team area, except for registered service animals. Must have registration verification available upon request. CoSM Rules.
4. **Charcoal** – **NO charcoal** can be used for cooking, per CoSM Rules. Only wood or propane can be used for cooking (electric wood pellet cookers are allowed).
5. **Grease Traps and Fire Extinguishers** – All cooking areas (including Food Vendor Booths) **MUST** be equipped with grease traps and fire extinguishers. CoSM Rules.
6. **Selling Food** – **NO** selling food from the BBQ Cook-off campsites. (A Vendor’s Booth and a Food Vendor Permit must be obtained).
7. **Sampling Food** – **ONLY** Cook’s that have obtained a Food Vendor Permit may allow members of the public to “sample” food from their BBQ Cook-off campsite. Food may **NOT** be “sold” from a BBQ Cook-off campsite to members of the public.

8. **Cooking Team** – One team member must be present at cooking team campsite at all times.
9. **Sanitation** – Cooking Team must have the following:
 - a. Head Cook MUST have, or obtain before the Cook-off, a Food Handler’s Certificate.
 - b. Head Cook MUST have a Food Vendor Permit if planning to serve “**samples**” from their BBQ Cook-off campsite.
 - c. All cooking sites (to include Food Vendor Booths) must be set up with an approved wash station.

III. FOOD ENTRY RULES

1. **Cook’s Check-in Time** – Cooks will check-in and pick up entrée containers prepared with entry tickets along with other items ordered or purchased with submitted Registration Form as follows:
 - a. **Friday** -- Check-in time begins at 1:00 p.m. and ends at 6:00 p.m.
 - b. **Saturday** – Check-in time begins at 7:30 a.m. and ends at 10:00 a.m.
2. **Entrée Containers** – Aluminum or Cardboard Entrée containers will be distributed to Cooks at check-in time. Only distributed containers will be accepted at the judging headquarters. Each container will come prepared with a two-part ticket. The un-taped part of the two-part ticket should be retained for presentation at the announcement of awards. Participants who are unable to present the ticket stub at the time of award may be disqualified.
3. **Marinating and Seasoning** – Marinating and/or seasoning must be performed at the cook-site for all categories, except for Pork Chops and Fajitas, which may be done in advance of arriving at cook-site. Beans may be pre-soaked prior to arrival at cook-site.
4. **Submitting Entrées to Judging Headquarters** – The Head Cook or the Head Cook Assistant are the **ONLY** participants permitted to turn in each Entrée to the judging headquarters.
 - a. Entrées will be accepted beginning 10 minutes before the posted turn-in time, and up until 10 minutes after the posted turn-in time. Entrées turned in more than 10 minutes past the turn-in time will be accepted but will not be judged.
 - b. Turn-in times are posted on a large sign at the Judges Headquarters.
5. **Submission of Entrées** – Each entrée should be submitted to the judging headquarters in the appropriate container (aluminum or cardboard) as follows (no garnishes unless indicated in the categories listed below):
 - a. **Youth Pork Chops - 3 pork chops** – 10 bite size pieces. Entries must be prepared by youths between the ages of 10 and 16. Preparation assistance by an adult is allowed. Pork Chops may be garnished.
 - b. **Fajitas (beef or chicken)**: 20 bite size pieces. Fajitas may be garnished. (Fajitas may be purchased pre-marinated, but not cooked – fajitas must be cooked on-site).
 - c. **Beans**: the beans are judged on beans and juice! If there is anything floating in the beans (e.g., cilantro, onion, etc.), your entry will be disqualified. You may cook beans however you choose, but the ingredients that float must be removed prior to turning in your entry. If your ingredients include meat, the meat must be cut so that it is no larger than a bean.
 - d. **Chicken**: 15 bite size pieces.
 - e. **Ribs** (Baby Back or Spare Ribs): 12 bite size ribs on the bone.
 - f. **Cobbler**: entries must be cooked/baked in the firebox or on top of the pit.
 - g. **Brisket**: 1 slice of brisket for presentation and 15 bite size pieces.

IV. AWARDS, AMOUNTS AWARDED, AND OPTIONAL JUDGED CATEGORY

1. **Awards, and Amounts Awarded** – **All Winners will be announced on Saturday around 5:30 pm.** Awards and the amount of the awards will be set by the Board Members of Juneteenth Foundation, Inc., and will be geared to provide incentives and rewards for Cook’s participation and skills while remaining faithful to the charitable goals of Juneteenth Charity BBQ Cook-off Event.
2. **Optional Judged Category** – The Juneteenth Foundation, Inc. Board *may or may not* choose to award Cook-off competitors on the **Best Pit**. Should they choose to present an award, Best Pit will be judged on: 1) layout; 2) construction quality; 3) craftsmanship; 4) attention to detail; and 5) general layout within the cook’s campsite.