



2023 Southwest Florida & Lee County Fair Fair Youth Chicken BBQ Cook-Off

Theme: BARN IN THE USA

Fair Youth Chicken BBQ Cook-Off Registration Rules and Information

Registration deadline – Thursday, February 9, 2023

Competition is open to Lee, Charlotte, Collier, Desoto, Glades, and Hendry County Youth

THIS EVENT IS NOT A 4-H EVENT

- Competition will be held on **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26, at 3:00 pm** at the LeAnne Yancey Pavilion, located behind the Whaley Hall on the Fairgrounds. Parking and unloading Instructions will be provided prior to competition. Please allow three hours for the total competition, to completion.
- Each participant must furnish his/her own grill, charcoal, matches, supplies, meat thermometer, etc. Two quarter chicken pieces will be provided for each contestant. Please plan to provide samples of your food to three judges for tasting. Cooking must be completed within 2 hours from the official start time.
- Juniors, only, will be able to have a HANDS OFF supervisor during the competition. The helper is not allowed to physically help with the preparation, however verbal assistance is permitted. Parents are not allowed to sit in the participants work area. Intermediates and Seniors will have NO supervisor, nor is physical or verbal assistance allowed. **Parents- please do not sit in the participants work area*
- Be prepared for judges to ask questions about ingredients and cooking methods.
- **Contestants will be judged on the following:** Time parameters set for cooking – 2 hours allowed; the internal temperature of the chicken when finished; taste of the chicken; taste of the sauce; the finished product appearance; knowledge of project; and presentation (how the chicken is presented)

Divisions:

Junior | Ages 8-10
Intermediate | Ages 11-13
Senior | Ages 14-18

Awards In Each Division:

1st Place | Trophy, Rosette & \$10
2nd Place | Rosette & \$7
3rd Place | Rosette & \$5

Participants must register online at swflcfair.com under the Competitions tab



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