

# **BAKED & CANNED GOODS**

# **Rules and Regulations**

### **ELIGIBILITY**

Participants may enter one of the following divisions:

a) **Youth** (17 years & under; must be from the following counties, public, private or home school)

a. Brazos
b. Burleson
c. Grimes
d. Leon
e. Madison
f. Milam
g. Robertson
h. Washington

b) **Adult** (18 years and older; no residency restrictions)

### **CONTEST GUIDELINES**

- 1. All entries must include the recipe submitted on an 8 ½ x 11 inch sheet of paper. Upon entry, the recipes become property of the Brazos Valley Fair & Rodeo.
- 2. All entries must be prepared from scratch and must be the work of the person entering the item. From scratch means without commercial preparation that provides advantage. For example, premade piecrust, cookie dough, canned icing, frozen dough, cake mix, etc. are not permissible.
- 3. Entries requiring refrigeration will not be accepted.
- 4. No decorations will be allowed inside the containers or on the jar- (including but not limited to ribbons, artificial flowers, toys, trinkets, etc.)
- 5. No food items will be returned to the exhibitor.

### **Baked Goods:**

- a) Entries in the baked goods must be delivered by 5:00pm Thursday, October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2016. Entries will be judged the same day.
- b) All baked goods entries must be submitted in sturdy, disposable containers and covered with a clear plastic lid. Containers will not be returned to the exhibitor following the show.
- c) Entries will be judged on taste, appearance and originality.

#### Canned Goods:

- a) Canned goods entries must be delivered (weekday delivery 8AM-5PM; weekend delivery 12PM-2PM), October 14<sup>th</sup>- 20<sup>th</sup>, 2016. Entries will be judged on October 20<sup>th</sup>
- b) All canned foods must have been canned within the past year.
- c) Each entry must include two (2) cans, one for judging and one for display.
- d) Both jars must be labeled with the name of the contents and the date canned. All canned items must be in a standard canning jar, no smaller than a pint, (16 ounces) with a two piece canning lid and an airtight seal. If the seal is broken or the lid is rusty, the entry will be disqualified.
- e) Entries will be judged on color, consistency, flavor, texture, pack and taste.

### **ENTRY CATEGORIES**

# **Baked Goods:**

- a) **Cakes:** Entry must be a whole cake made from scratch.
- b) **Cookies:** Entry must display a minimum of six cookies. No premade cookie dough. Specialty cookies requiring a commercially prepared ingredient such as caramels, marshmallows, almond bark or melted chocolate chips are acceptable.

c) **Pies:** Entry must include whole pie. Pie must be entered in a disposable aluminum pan. Only cooked fillings and/or toppings will be accepted. Not acceptable are cool whip, heavy cream or premade pie fillings.

# Canned Goods (2 jars must be submitted of entry):

- d) Jams, Jellies and Preserves
- e) Salsa and Sauces
- f) Pickled Items

# **ENTRY PROCESS**

# **Entry Deadline**

- f) **Entry deadline is October 20**th, **2016.** Entry fee and entry form are due by the entry deadline.
  - 1) **Entry fees**: There is a \$5.00 entry fee per item entered.

# **Entry Drop-Off**

- g) **Baked Good Entry Drop-off date: October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2016** (must be delivered by 5:00pm)
- h) Canned Good Entry Drop-off dates: October 14<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>, 2016 (weekday delivery 8AM-5PM; weekend delivery 12PM-2PM)

Food exhibitors may deliver projects to the Brazos Valley Fair & Rodeo at the Brazos County Expo Complex. Canned good entries may be mailed and will require a certified return receipt and signature. The Brazos Valley Fair & Rodeo is not responsible for any damage done during the shipping process.

### **Mailing Address:**

Brazos Valley Fair & Rodeo
Baked & Canned Goods Contest
PO Box 594
Bryan, TX 77806

# **Physical Address:**

Brazos Valley Fair & Rodeo Baked & Canned Goods Contest 5827 Leonard Road Bryan, TX 77807

### **AWARDS**

Awards will be distributed as follows:

- 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> place (in each category)
- Grand Champion (adult & youth)
- Reserve Champion (adult & youth)
- Honorable Mention (judge's discretion)