

**BAYTOWN YOUTH FAIR
BBQ COOK-OFF
MARCH 28TH-29TH, 2025**

Committee Chairman Wade Smith 832.926.3568
cookoff@baytownyouthfair.com

Health Notice / Safety Notice:

To stay in compliance with the City Of Baytown Health Department. Cook areas must be treated as an invite only/tailgate party. Please have bleach water for sanitizing food prep areas. Cleanliness is especially important. No food can be given out unless the receiver is part of the cook off team invites/tailgate party.

NO food can be sold by teams.

One 10lb fire extinguisher is required per paid team.

*If one is not in the area BYF will provide one in the amount of \$150.

The excessive use of alcoholic beverages will be grounds for disqualification and removal. Underage drinking will be automatic disqualification.

Glass bottles should be kept in a secure area of your cookoff spot. If glass is found after cleanup it will be charged back to the team in the amount of \$250.

***Teams exhibit at their own risk. BYF its members or agents, assume no liability and will not be held responsible for injury, theft, damage of any kind.**

2025 BYF COOK-OFF RULES

ENTRY FEE IS \$175 PER SPACE. 40X40 SPACE.

- All means of above ground BBQing is allowed.
- Teams will supply all equipment and supplies. This includes but is not limited to cookers, generators, power plants, water, buckets to catch all pit run-off, and trash cans inside their space. There is no electricity or water in the BBQ spots, you must be self-contained.
- All contestants can start moving in at 3 PM on Thursday, March 27TH. You must use the area assigned to your team.
- Every person must have a BYF wristband during ticketed hours. NO EXCEPTIONS!
- Move out will be at 7AM **Sunday Morning**.
- Each team will be allocated a 40' x 40' space.. All the team's property must be confined to their allocated space. Only one travel trailer will be allowed in each space. You will be asked to move anything that is not in your space.
- Do not dump food waste onto the ground. There will be trash pick up each morning and roll off dumpsters on the grounds.
- There are no rain dates nor refunds. (This includes acts of God)Due to unpredictable weather, it is suggested that contestants bring suitable shelter for their space/team
- BYF reserves the right to reject any entry or to remove any contestant or team found to be breaking the regulations or whose conduct is found to be unfavorable to the event or its guests. Removal from the grounds/misconduct of regulations could warrant a disqualification of all awards won. It is the Head Cook's responsibility to inform all guests of the rules and to ensure they are being followed or it could result in disqualification.

- There will be no bands, DJs, or karaoke allowed on FRIDAY Night, from 10 pm to 11:59 pm. BYF will be hosting a concert and dance in the arena. All music and PA systems must shut down at 12 am.
- Ice will be available through the BBQ Committee and must be paid in cash.
- No Pets Allowed. (This excludes service animals) ● Golf Carts, Atv's, or Sxs's are NOT allowed on the property. (This excludes event staff)
- All loud music is to be shut down at midnight.
- Each team will receive 10 wristbands per spot purchased, for Friday night grounds entry including the concert.
- Drive through gate will be closed at 5:00pm on Friday.
- No alcohol will be allowed through the pedestrian gates.
- No markings of any kind will be allowed on any entry containers. Any attempt to mark a container will result in disqualification from the event in which the container was designated. Damaged or accidentally marked containers must be exchanged prior to the event's turn-in-time.

TURN IN TIMES

Friday, March 28TH

6:30 p.m. - Cooks Meeting under the barn.

7:30 p.m. - Fajita , 8 pcs for judging. (MUST BE BEEF) (NO GARNISHING)

8:30 p.m. - Margarita (NO GARNISHING)

9:00 p.m. - Calcutta under the barn

Saturday, March 29TH

9:30 a.m. - Chef's dessert. (JUDGES WILL CUT IF NEEDED)

10:30 a.m. – Chef's entree. (JUDGES WILL CUT IF NEEDED)

12:30 p.m. – Chicken, min. 8 pcs. (½ CHICKEN FOR PRESENTATION, 8 BITE-SIZED PIECES FOR TASTING) (GRILL MARKS OK ON BOTTOM OF CHICKEN)

2:30 p.m. – Pork SPARE ribs, 8 pcs for judging. (NO GARNISHING)

4:30 p.m. – Brisket, 8 pcs for judging. (NO GARNISHING)

5:15 p.m. – Awards presentation/Live auction.