

**2025 3rd Annual Lew Benham Scholarship  
BBQ Cookoff  
“SPLIT THE POT” DESSERT COOK-OFF  
Superintendent: Brad Dillon (409) 770-7493  
Co-Chairs: Dan Moore (281) 723-2819 & Mimzi Foreman (713) 576-6970**

**Location: Galveston County Fairgrounds, Jack Brooks Park, Hwy 6**

**Entry Fee: \$35.00 per Team, per Entry – Non-Refundable. You Must be in the BBQ Cook-off to enter Dessert Division. There is NO limit on number of entries.**

**Entry Cut-off Time: Monday, June 6, 2025**

**Judging: 8:00 p.m. Friday, June 20, 2025**

**Awards: Prize Money to be distributed as follows:**

**1<sup>st</sup> Place 30% of the Total Entry Fees**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place 20% of the Total Entry Fees**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Place 10% of the Total Entry Fees**

**Chief Cook’s Meeting: Friday, June 20, 2025, 4:30 p.m.**

1. Entries will be submitted via the BBQ Cook-off Entry Form. Number of Entries are unlimited.
2. All team members must be 21 years of age or older.
3. Dessert must be cooked onsite, in the spot registered.
4. No alcohol of any kind shall be placed in the judging container but may be used in the cooking process.
5. Dessert Division samples will be requested at 7:00 p.m. and shall be delivered to the designated Cook-off area by 7:15 p.m.
6. Judging
  - a. Category will be judged in a single (1) phase.
  - b. Entries will be judged on 3 criteria (Appearance (15%), Taste (50%), and Texture (35%))
  - c. A table with a minimum of 5 judges will score the equally allocated samples. (Each team may be required to provide a judge who is not the Chief Cook)
  - d. The lowest score from the judges will be dropped with the remaining scores being used for category placement.
  - e. Enough samples for 8 judges must be placed in the container for judging.
7. No non-food items allowed in the container.
8. Samples turned in with unsanitary inclusions will be disqualified (hair, bugs, plastic, dirt, etc.)
9. Protests of any team, equipment, or sample (any division) must be turned into the cook-off committee no later than one (1) hour prior to judging of that division with the \$100.00 non-refundable fee.
10. All other rules of the 2025 Galveston County Lew Benham Scholarship Cook-off apply.
11. All decisions of the Cook-off Committee and Judges are final.