



# PASADENA LIVESTOCK SHOW & RODEO 2026 CHAMPIONSHIP COOK-OFF



**Cooks Choice:** Thursday, September 10, 2026, starts at 6:30pm  
(times to be Assigned)

Space is limited to the first 75 teams.

Judges will come to your space. (Weather permitting)

Entry Fee is \$25.00 per space, **(No Refunds)** if you have more than one space, entries are limit to two. **Trophy & Cash Prizes for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Place**

DEAD LINE IS FRIDAY, AUGUST 28, 2026

ABSOLUTELY NO EXCEPTIONS

**Judging Categories:**

- Overall Presentation
- Taste
- Appearance
- Execution

Schedule will be provided after the cooks meeting on Wednesday, September 09, 2026

Chief Cook: \_\_\_\_\_

Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Space#'(s): \_\_\_\_\_

How Many Entries: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

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Cash \_\_\_\_\_ Check# \_\_\_\_\_ Credit Card # \_\_\_\_\_

Type \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. \_\_\_\_\_ Dig. Code \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

I agree to abide by all rules of the PLS&R cook off and acknowledge that entry fees are non-refundable unless the event is cancelled. Applicant acknowledges and agrees to the exhibitor/contestants Release of Liability form.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Printed Name**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Space #'(s)**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signed**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

Send Application to Pasadena Rodeo Office,  
via [Office@pasadenarodeo.com](mailto:Office@pasadenarodeo.com)



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## Cook's Choice Rules and Regulations

1. Participants must be on a cook team entered into the PLS&R cookoff
2. This is an open category, and any food item(s) is permitted (except turn-in categories for Cook-Off)
3. Teams may enter a single item or a meal
4. Teams may set up or decorate the judging area in their cook team as they wish
5. Teams are allowed to perform a skit, but it is not required
6. Teams will prepare for four (4) judges
7. Teams will provide the plates/bowls and silverware needed by the judges
- 8. Contestants are allowed 15 Minutes for the Judges**

Entries will be judged on the following criteria:

**Overall presentation of the entry** – Did the team welcome you in? Was there an explanation of the entry to the judges? Did the judging area impress you?

**Taste** – Is it pleasing to the taste buds? Does it make you want to eat more? Is there an appropriate balance of flavor?

**Appearance** – Is it pleasing to the eye? Does it look appetizing? Did it make you want to eat it?

**Execution** – Did the dish come together? Did the cook successfully accomplish what they described? Was there any originality of the dish?

The judges will give a score out of ten for each criterion, 1 being inedible, 10 being excellent.

Judges will score independently, impartially, with integrity, competence and diligence.