

TRI-STATE FAIR & RODEO FOOD CHALLENGE CONTEST

LEADERSHIP

Food Challenge Superintendent..... Cari Snyder

SCHEDULE

Entry Fee.....\$50 per team
Entry Deadline Tuesday, Aug. 15
Late Entry Deadline 9:30 a.m., Monday, Sept. 18
Late Entry Fee.....\$100 per team
Check-In..... 9 a.m., Monday, Sept. 18
Contest 10 a.m., Monday, Sept. 18
Contest Location Amarillo National Center
Awards TBA by Superintendents

SPECIAL RULES:

1. **Eligibility:** Any bonafide 4-H or FFA member is eligible and must be enrolled in primary or secondary school. Students that comprise each team must be members of the 4-H or FFA Chapter they represent.
2. **Divisions:** There will be three separate divisions, Junior & Senior.
 - **Junior Division:** 3rd Grade through 5th Grade on the day of the contest.
 - **Intermediate Division:** 6th Grade through 8th Grade on the day of the contest
 - **Senior Division:** 9th Grade through 12th Grade on the day of the contest.
3. **Teams:** Each team will have at least three and a maximum of four members. If a team has members from different age divisions, the team must compete in the division of the oldest team member.
4. **Limited Entries:** Entries may be limited based on space availability. Teams will be accepted on a first come-first serve basis based on the postmarked date of the entry.
5. **Attire:** Each team will have the option of wearing coordinated clothing or aprons. Each team member is required to wear closed toe shoes and a hair restraint.
6. **Food Categories:** There will be four food categories in each age division: Appetizer, Main Dish, Side Dish, and Healthy Dessert. Teams will be randomly assigned to a category, which will not be announced until the day of the contest.

7. **Preparation:** Each team will create an entire dish/recipe (not a full meal) using the provided key ingredient and grocery store items. Dishes/recipes created should include two or more servings. Teams should present the entire dish/ recipe to the judges and communicate during their presentation what an individual serving size should be. Teams will be responsible for determining the number of servings their dish provides. Teams should not create side or multiple dishes with their ingredients/grocery store items.
8. **Supply Box:** Each team must supply their own equipment for the challenge. Teams may bring only the supplies listed in the supply box section. Supply boxes may be checked by the contest officials as teams check in for the contest using a standard or randomized process. Any extra equipment will be removed from the team's supply box. Supply boxes are limited to the following dimensions: 40" x 24" x 40" (including wheels).
9. **Supply Box Equipment:** For a complete list of approved supply box equipment, please see page 6 of the link: https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/food_challenge_rules_guidelines_23.pdf
10. **Rules of Play:** For a complete list of rules of play, please see pages 7-8 of the link: https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/food_challenge_rules_guidelines_23.pdf
11. **Scorecard:** For example scorecards, please see pages 18-20 of the link: https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/food_challenge_rules_guidelines_23.pdf
12. **Additional Resources:** Please visit here: <https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/food-nutrition/>
13. **Awards:** The top 3 teams in each age division will receive awards.