

**FAYETTE COUNTY AREA GO TEXAN, INC**

**Open Jackpot**

**BAR-B-QUE COOKOFF RULES**

**August 3rd & August 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

1. The categories to be judged are beef brisket, pork ribs and chicken.  
Tag-in requirements are as follows:

| <b>Category</b> | <b>Minimum tag in amount</b> | <b>Maximum tag in amount</b> |
|-----------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Chicken         | 2 Chicken Halves             | 6 Chicken halves             |
| Pork Ribs       | 1 Slab of Ribs               | 3 Slabs of Ribs              |
| Brisket         | 1 Brisket                    | 3 Briskets                   |

2. **NEW!! Chef's choice. Check in: 6:00pm-6:30pm Turn In: 8:00pm Results: 9:00 pm**  
**Turn in anything you wish, as long as it is made on a BBQ pit. Entry Fee: \$40**  
**Payout: 1<sup>st</sup> place: 35% 2<sup>nd</sup> place: 15% 3<sup>rd</sup> place: \$40**  
**Amount to turn in: Should be enough placed in the plate to judge appearance of food plus approximately 20 bite-sized pieces for judges. There will be NO points awarded for Chef's Choice winners for overall BBQ placings.**
3. Contestants may check in Friday, August 3rd from 4 pm-10 pm or Saturday, August 4<sup>th</sup> from 7am -8 am. At check in meat must be raw, thawed and unseasoned. Cooking cannot begin until the meat has been tagged. It is the responsibility of the head cook to make sure the meat is inspected and tagged at the tagging station that is provided. Any untagged meat will be disqualified.
4. **Entries are due at check in.** Entry fees are as follows 1 or 2 divisions entered --\$50 per division, if all three divisions are entered then the entry fee will be \$40 per division.  
For Electrical fees see entry form.
5. All cooking teams must be in place by 9am on Saturday, August 4<sup>th</sup>, no exceptions.  
To qualify as an In-County Team and to represent Fayette County at the HLSR Championship cook-off the chief cook must live in Fayette County.
6. Chief Cooks Meeting will be at 8:30am on Saturday.

7. A 20 X 40FT area will be available for each team. Placing of teams on the grounds will begin Thursday, August 2nd after 6pm. A committeeman will designate your location.  
**No vehicles on camping grounds, unload and move.** Teams are not allowed to have ATV's or 4-wheeled carts unless they are a Schulenburg Festival Director or Go Texan Committeemen. Due to limited space, **only one travel trailer will be allowed per BBQ team.**
8. Contestants must supply all needed equipment and supplies. Contestants may not share cooking equipment. Each space with an entry must have a separate pit and chief cook. **Under no circumstances will one person be allowed to monitor the cooking on more than one team's pits. Violations will result in team disqualification.** The Fayette County Go Texan Committee **will not** be responsible for theft or damage to equipment.
9. Fires must be wood or wood substance. No electric or gas fires will be allowed. Holes or dug pits are NOT allowed.
10. The chief cook will be held responsible for the conduct of his guests. Excessive use of alcoholic beverages will be grounds for disqualification.
11. No garnishes or sauces permitted on meat or in turn in container. No baby back ribs Allowed—only St. Louis style or full spare ribs will qualify. Two complete chicken halves will be required for turn in. Turn in times are as follows:

| <b>Division</b> | <b>Turn in Time</b> | <b>Judging</b> |
|-----------------|---------------------|----------------|
| Chicken         | 12:30 PM - 12:50 PM | 1:00 PM        |
| Pork Ribs       | 2:00 PM - 2:20 PM   | 2:30 PM        |
| Brisket         | 3:30 PM - 3:50 PM   | 4:00 PM        |

12. Trophies will be awarded to the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place teams in each meat division; 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place overall team winners; 1<sup>st</sup> place overall in county, and best pit. Prize money will be paid as follows.

| <b>Entry Count</b>  | <b>Placings Paid</b> | <b>Percentage Paid</b> |
|---------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| 1 to 10 Entries     | 1                    | 50% of entries         |
| 11 to 20 entries    | 1 and 2              | 30% and 20%            |
| 21 entries and more | 1,2 and 3            | 25%,15% and 10 %       |

13. The highest scoring overall Fayette County Team will represent Fayette County in the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo World Championship Barbeque Contest. All team members representing Fayette County must be 21 years of age or older by August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018. Insurance and entry fee will be paid by the Fayette County Go Texan Committee.

14. DJ's or Live Bands will not be allowed in the cook off area. Music played will be in LOW moderation. Music will be discontinued after midnight on Friday and after 1:00am on Saturday. Violations of the above rules will result in disqualification.
15. The Fayette County Go Texan Committee reserves the right to make additional regulations as situations warrant. Decision of the committee chairman and judges are final.

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