

41st Annual Rockdale Fair Association BBQ Cookoff Itinerary

Friday Night

(10 minute turn in window)

Salsa: 5:55 - 6:05

Margarita: 6:55 - 7:05

Seafood: 7:55 - 8:05

Dessert: 8:55-9:05

Awards 10:15 @ New Salem Building

Saturday

(10 minute turn in window)

Bloody Mary: 9:55-10:05

Exotic: 10:55-11:05

Chicken: 11:55-12:05

Ribs: 1:55- 2:05

Brisket: 2:55-3:05

Awards: 5:00 @ New Salem Building

Food Rules

All containers should be free from distinguishing marks. If in doubt, exchange your containers.

Brisket, Chicken & Ribs

All entries must be turned in as BBQ meat. No stuffed or wrapped entries will be judged. No pooling of sauce OR garnish in the container. Wrap your entry in foil as demonstrated on the sign in table. Pre-seasoning, pre cooking or pre-marinating allowed.

Beef: The show piece must be one full slice. 15 bite sized pieces.

Chicken: You do not need to turn in half a chicken as your showpiece. For example, you can have a leg as a showpiece and a mixture of dark and white meat as your bite sized pieces. OR all dark pieces or all white pieces. Your showpiece can be any part of the chicken... thigh, breast, leg or wing.

Pork Ribs: The showpiece must be one full rib. You may include 15 full ribs OR 15 half ribs OR 15 bite sized pieces. Everything must include the bone.

Jackpot Entries

*Cookers MUST be entered in the meat categories to enter a jackpot category.

Margarita: Entries are at the head cook's discretion. Entries with garnish or rim seasonings will be acceptable. Cup with lid will be provided for the entry.

Seafood: Shrimp, Lobster, Crawfish, Fish, Frog legs... If it comes from the water, this is your category. We will provide spoons or forks for judging. The entry may be stuffed, wrapped, sauced, souped, casseroled, individualized or all in one serving. You MUST use individual portion cups with lids for soup style entries.

Dessert: Entries are at the head cook's discretion. Cook what you want as long as it is cooked on site and on the pit. Creativity is encouraged. Your entry may be individualized or all in one serving. We will provide spoons or forks for judging.

Exotic (Cook's Choice): entries are at the head cook's discretion and must contain some type of meat. NO SEAFOOD in this category. It must be cooked on the BBQ pit. Your entry can be stuffed, wrapped, sauced, individualized or all in one serving. We will provide spoons or forks for judging. Creativity is encouraged.

Salsa: entries must be "homemade" and be made on site with fresh ingredients. Canned tomatoes and dry spices are acceptable. Entries can be spicy, but must be edible. You may be asked to take a bite of your entry at the turn in table.

Bloody Marys: Entries are at the head cook's discretion. Entries with garnish or rim seasonings will be acceptable. Cup with lid will be provided for the entry.

General Rules

The Rockdale Fair Association is not responsible for theft, damage, or accidents. The Rockdale Fair Association has the right to disqualify any team for rule violations and/or deny any application that is submitted for the BBQ cook off. The Chief Cook will be responsible for the conduct of their team and guests. Any abusive behavior will not be tolerated and will be grounds for immediate dismissal and loss of spot. Decisions of the Rockdale Fair Association Board are final.

- ❖ For everyone's safety, the designated road and fire lanes **MUST BE KEPT CLEAR AT ALL TIMES**.
- ❖ Spaces are approximately 35'x30'. All equipment, pits and campers must fit in the designated space. No exceptions. If you require more than 30 amps of power, you may bring a generator.
- ❖ Contestants must supply all needed equipment and supplies. Official turn in containers will be provided.
- ❖ All fires must be contained. Ground fires are **NOT** permitted. No gas or electric cookers may be used to cook items in the primary categories. Pellet cookers are allowed. Fire extinguishers are required at each campsite.
- ❖ **NO BEER MAY BE BROUGHT INTO THE PARK**. Ice and beer may be purchased in the park. Beer by the case will be available to cook off teams at a discounted price and **MAY NOT** be shared with the public. Beer and ice runners will be working throughout the cook off to take your orders and deliver it to your campsite. Whole cases are only available at the campsite. Individual beers are available for purchase at the Beer Booths by the pavilion and the rodeo arena.
- ❖ **NO VEHICLES WILL BE ALLOWED TO STAY IN THE PARK**. For the safety of all guests and to alleviate congestion, each team will be allowed one trip into the park and two additional trips. All vehicles must be out of the park by 6:00 PM Friday. No exceptions.
- ❖ No all-terrain vehicles including, but not limited to: 3 wheeler, 4 wheeler, golf carts, side by sides or children's motorized vehicles are **NOT** allowed.
- ❖ You are responsible for the clean up of your assigned space.

**41st Annual Rockdale Fair Association Cook Off
October 17-19, 2024**

Entry Fees:

Cook off Entry

\$225 for the three meats: Beef, Pork Ribs, and Chicken
Campsite with power/water and 3 weekend passes

\$175 for the three meats: Beef, Pork Ribs, and Chicken
Campsite without power/water and 3 weekend passes

Jackpots

\$10 each

Margarita/Seafood/Salsa/Dessert/Exotic/Bloody Mary

*Each cook team may enter as many jackpots as they would like

Payouts

Prize Payout of Beef, Chicken and Ribs

1st Place: Cutting Board and \$500

2nd Place: Cutting Board and \$400

3rd Place: Cutting Board and \$300

Grand Champion: Cutting Board and \$800

Reserve Champion: Cutting Board and \$600

Jackpots

1st Place 30%

2nd Place 20%

3rd Place 10%

For each category:

Margarita/Seafood/Salsa/Dessert/Exotic/Bloody Mary