

November 6, 2021

## **Chili Cook Off Guidelines:**

- 1. Contestants may enter more than one chili in the contest. The entry fee will be \$30 per entry. All entry fees collected will be divided into cash prizes.
- 2. Chili may be of any type and may be cooked on site or at home. Contestants are responsible for maintaining the proper temperature for chili while serving.
- 3. The Chamber will provide one table and two chairs for each team. Tables will be set up by 8:30 am on the northwest side of the Tillman County Courthouse lawn.
- 4. There will be a cooks meeting at 10:30 am to explain all rules, answer any questions and to distribute judging sample cups. 2 oz. cups will be provided.
- 5. Samples for judging will be received at the Chamber booth from 10:45 11:00 am. Teams are responsible for submitting their samples within the allotted time. Sample chili can be served with condiments such as cheese, onions, etc.
- 6. Judging will begin at 11:00 am and results will be announced at the conclusion of the Cotton Pageant. Judge's decisions are final and based on numbered scorecards.
- 7. Teams are asked to be ready to serve the public by 11:00 am and able to serve chili until 1:00 pm or later. Suggestion: have at least 2 large roasters full of chili.... The more you have the more People's Choice votes you'll earn.
- 8. Each team is responsible for policing and cleaning up their area at the end of the day. No items shall be allowed to remain after the close of the Cook Off.
- 9. The Chamber will supply all sample cups, serving bowls, utensils, napkins and crackers.
- 10. Due to COVID-19 we ask that those serving chili wear a mask and gloves and have at least one assistant to handle all non-food related items.

This Cook Off is in conjunction with the Frederick Chamber of Commerce Cotton Festival. All will be held on the Tillman County Courthouse laws which is located at the Intersection of Hwy 5 & 183.

For more information on the Festival, please visit <u>www.frederickokchamber.org/cotton\_fest.html</u>



### Judging Criteria

#### **Official**

In this competition the chili will be blindly judged and scorecards will be based on the following characteristics:

- 1. Aroma
- 2. Texture
- 3. Flavor
- 4. Color

#### People's Choice Award

The People's Choice Award will be chosen by the public. After purchasing a ticket for the Chili Cook Off, the ticket holder will show their ticket to get a sample of your team's chili. Make sure you mark the ticket with the marker provided and then using the 2 oz. sample cups provided, give the ticket holder a sample of your chili.

Once the ticket holder has sampled each team's chili, they will vote by placing their ticket into your team's voting container (provided)- at that time you may then serve them one bowl of your team's chili. Once you are out of chili or wish to leave, make sure you turn in your ticket container to the Chamber booth. The container with the highest number of tickets will be awarded the "People's Choice Award" and cash prize.

#### **Questions?**

Contact the Frederick Chamber of Commerce by calling (580) 335-2126 or email frederickcc@pldi.net

\*\*\*The Frederick Chamber of Commerce is not responsible for accidents or injuries that take place at this event. It is the vendor's responsibility to follow federal, state, county and city laws on health, finances and any other relatable legalities. By signing and returning the Chili Registration Form, you are agreeing to these terms.



# **Chili Cook Off Registration Form**

Team Name
Team Affiliation (group), as needed
Team Members
Primary Contact Name
Contact Phone
Contact Email
Contact Address
Entry Fee: \$30
Paid by
Cash or Check#
Please send to:

Frederick Chamber of Commerce 100 South Main Street Frederick, OK 73542