



Official Rules for the *Chili and Chills* Cook-off
October 22, 2019
Camilla Depot
6:00 p.m.

THIS COOK-OFF IS FOR FUN!!!!

The following rules are to be adhered to by all cook-off chair people, cooks, judges and other assistants:

1. The entry fee will be \$20.00 per chili entered. (Tickets are \$10) There will be a 1st, 2nd and 3rd place awarded by the judges, as well as an award for showmanship. There will be a "People's Choice" winner as well.
2. Chili, supplies, ingredients, decorations, etc. can be brought in and set up any time after 12:00 p.m. on the day of. Participants should have their chili to the judges by 5:30 p.m. and be at their table ready to go by 6:00 p.m. Deadline to enter is October 18th. You must be present to win.
3. All ingredients must be pre-cooked prior to the event. Chili is to be brought ready to eat. You may cook as much chili as you like. There is no limit on how much chili can be cooked, but we expect you to have a *minimum of 3 gallons* of chili for sampling.
4. Contestants are responsible for supplying all of their own utensils and products relating to their chili submission (to the judges) and maintenance of its proper temperature for serving. Spoons and cups for use in serving chili to the general public for tasting will be provided, as well as crackers and cornbread. **Contestants will need to provide their own extension cord(s).**
5. Each contestant or cooking team will be assigned a number by a Chamber designee upon check in. They also will be given a container in which their chili will be collected in at the time of the official judging. Each contestant should verify that the number on the bottom of their container is the same as their contestant number assigned to them. Teams are responsible for getting their chili to the judges table by 5:30 p.m.
6. **TEAMS SHOULD BE LIMITED TO 4 TEAM MEMBERS. ALL OTHERS SHOULD PURCHASE A TICKET!!**
7. The decision of the judges is final. In this competition, the chili will be blind judged, which means none of the judges will know the identity of the cook. Judging will be based on the following categories:
 1. Texture and Consistency: The texture of the meat shall not be tough or mushy, the ingredients uniform, and the liquid neither too thick nor too thin for the style of chili.
 2. Flavor, Spice and Taste: The chili should have good flavoring (not too hot or too mild), the spices well blended throughout the meat and other ingredients and taste good.

3. Appearance, Color and Aroma: The chili should smell and look good.
4. Overall Impression: The judge's rating of the entire chili experience, an indication of how the three other criteria combine to make the chili a memorable dish.

There will also be a **"People's Choice"** winner. The crowd will determine the winner. You can be as creative as you want in attracting the crowd and getting votes! HAVE FUN! People will vote for their favorite chili after tasting them with goodies given to them upon admission. They will be allowed to purchase additional goodies to vote with if they so choose.

For the **Showmanship Award**, the following areas will be taken into account:

Theme
Costume
Booth set up
Action
Audience Appeal
Originality

8. Each contestant is responsible for setup and clean up of their area. No items should remain after the event is over.
9. All winners will be announced that evening. Cash prizes will be awarded in some categories and other winners will receive a ribbon or trophy.

By signing and submitting this form, you agree to all rules and regulations put forth by the Chamber of Commerce regarding this competition and agree to abide by them. You also release the Chamber and all parties involved from any liability from any injury or accident that may occur during this event. You also agree to compete in this event with the light-hearted spirit of competition that is intended!

Signed

Date



2019 CHILI AND CHILLS COOK-OFF ENTRY FORM

Team Name: _ - _____

Sponsor (if any): _____

Team Members: _____

Head Chef's Name: _____

Address: _____

Daytime Phone Number: _____

Other Phone Number: _____

Email address: _____

*This will be used for updates and questions whenever possible

- ❖ The Chamber will provide you one 5 or 6 foot table for you to serve your chili on. You also will be given access to two outlets. You will need to supply the extension cord(s).
- ❖ We will provide the spoons and cups for sampling, as well as the container to take to the judges.
- ❖ Your entry fee of \$20.00 per booth should be made payable to The Camilla Chamber of Commerce.
- ❖ You may hand deliver your application to the Chamber or mail it to:
Camilla Chamber of Commerce
PO Box 226
Camilla, GA 31730
- ❖ All applications must be submitted to the Chamber no later than October 16th.

For more information about the Cook-Off please contact the Camilla Chamber at 336-5255.

