



**Westwood High School Education Foundation**  
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***The Castle Cook Off***  
**August 18-19, 2023**

***Food      Unity      Music      Community      Fun      Boston Butts***

Greetings Castle Cook Off Teams,

The Westwood High School Education Foundation Inaugural Castle Cook Off is August 18-19, 2023 on the campus of Westwood High School, 180 Turkey Farm Road, Blythewood, SC. This is a three (3) meat competition event, sanctioned by the Southern BBQ Network (SBN). Registration is \$250 per professional cook off team and \$200 per amateur cook off team. Please read the rules and regulations thoroughly. We look forward to seeing you in August 2023! Awards will be announced at 2 PM on Saturday, August 19, 2023.

The Castle Cook Off will have the following Categories:

“Boston Butts” winning trophies and cash awards totalling \$1000

“Pork Ribs” winning trophies and cash awards totalling \$1000

“Chicken” winning trophies and cash awards totalling \$1000

“Grand Champion” and “Reserve Grand Champion” winning trophies and cash awards of \$500

“Castle Choice” (Fan Favorite) cookers competing in Butts, Ribs or Chicken are eligible to win trophy and cash award of \$250

“Fruit Smoothie” winning trophies and cash awards of \$200



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### Contest Rules and Regulations

1. A cooking team representative is required to attend the mandatory cooks meeting at 5:30pm on Friday, August, 18, 2023.
2. Wristbands for head cooks and assistants must be worn at all times during the event. Only those with wrist bands will be allowed in the event area before 8 a.m. on Saturday, August 19, 2023.
3. Teams are responsible for passing out samples. Help will be provided as needed and if available.
4. Grills/cookers must be set up outside of the tent, in compliance with our fire code.
5. Meat may be prepared on any type of cooker.
6. Teams must adhere to prudent temperature and sanitary requirements as specified by SCDHEC.  
*You may access a copy of the SCDHEC guidelines for food service at special events at the following web link, or by visiting your local SCDHEC office for a hard copy of the information. Go to [www.scdhec.gov/food](http://www.scdhec.gov/food) and click on Regulation 61-25. Be sure to take a look at Chapter 9 (specifically 9-9) for event specific information. Also, take a look through their fact sheets listed on [www.scdhec.gov/food](http://www.scdhec.gov/food) for great food safety information.*
7. All meat will be served by the cook teams as samples starting at 10 a.m. on Saturday.
8. Forks, napkins, and soufflé cups will be provided.
9. Teams are to serve samples from tents that must have weights attached to each leg.
10. Foam containers will be provided for judging
11. Turn in will be Saturday at 9 a.m. for Boston Butts, 10 a.m. for Ribs and 11am for Chicken.
12. Only teams who compete in Boston Butts, ribs and chicken are eligible for Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion awards.
13. In addition to the Cook Off Contest rules stated, all competitors must follow SBN rules and regulations.

#### **Boston Butts:**

- a. Each cook team will be given 6-8 butts on Friday, August 18, 2023 immediately following the cooks team meeting.
- b. All Butts used for judging must be cooked on site and will be supplied by Westwood High School Education Foundation.

**Pork Ribs and Chicken:**

- a. Teams will furnish their own ribs (according to SBN guidelines) in an unopened package.

**Check-In & Meat Inspection:**

Friday August 18, 2023 from 5:00 pm 8:00 p.m. Teams will be allowed to set up immediately after their meat inspection. Meat Inspection will take place at your booth location upon your arrival.

Cooks Meeting: Friday August 18, 2023 @ 5:30 pm located at the Judges' Area/Tent.

**Team Code of Conduct:**

- a. The Head cook is responsible for the conduct of his/her team and guests.
- b. Teams must serve all prepared meat provided as samples/pounds/whole butt to the public. (after judging turn in).
- c. Teams must keep their area clean and free of trash and debris.
- d. Grease and ashes will be disposed of in the proper containers and taken with you for disposal. Failure to do so will result in a \$200 fine.
- e. Live animals are allowed on the campus before, during or after the event.
- f. Teams must have the following: hand washing station, soap, paper towels, bucket for disposal water, probe thermometer and fire extinguisher.
- g. Food prep and serving must be done under tents. All tents that cover or are close to cooking grills must be NFPA 701 flame retardant tents.
- h. All vehicles will be parked in designated cookers parking areas by 6 pm on August 18<sup>th</sup>. Vehicles not parked in cookers/vendors parking areas will be towed at the owner's expense. Only cooking/serving vehicles can be in the grill area.
- i. Quiet hours must be maintained from 12 a.m. Friday – 6 a.m. Saturday.
- j. Under no circumstances are teams to distribute any alcoholic beverages to the public.
- k. All SBN rules and regulations apply. For a full list, visit [sbbqn.com](http://sbbqn.com).



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**Contestant Entry Application Form**

Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Head Cook: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Vendor Tax Number (EIN/TIN): \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*\*W-9 Form (Required to receive winner’s check - Attached: Y / N\*\*\*

***Waiver of Liability:** In consideration of Westwood High School Education Foundation allowing me to participate in The Castle Cook-Off (the “Event”), I, the undersigned, intending to be legally bound, hereby for myself, my heirs, executors, and administrators, waive and release any and all rights and claims for damages I may have against Westwood High School Education Foundation, its agents, benefactors, representatives, successors, sponsors, volunteers, and assigns, for all injuries suffered by me in connection with the Event.*

*I understand, appreciate, and acknowledge the risks associated with the Event, including, without limitation: property damage, burns, cuts, and smoke-related injuries. I agree to abide by the Event rules and regulations. I agree to follow all Westwood High School Education Foundation rules and regulations. I acknowledge that I may not serve raw or undercooked food.*

*I hereby grant full permission to Westwood High School Education Foundation and its agents to use my name and image for legitimate purposes.*

Authorized Team

Member Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**APPLICATION, FORMS AND ENTRY FEE DUE AUGUST 4, 2023.**

The entry fee is **nonrefundable**. All applications postmarked/received after August 4, 2023 will be assessed an additional \$100 fee. Applications and checks will be returned once all available spaces are filled. Make checks/money orders payable to the WESTWOOD HIGH SCHOOL EDUCATION FOUNDATION and mail to Westwood High School Education Foundation, 180 Turkey Farm Road, Blythewood, SC 29016. Please retain a copy for your records.

For More Information or Questions,  
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Westwood High School Education Foundation Hold Harmless Agreement – Attached:  
Y/N \_\_\_\_\_

| <b>Division:</b>    | <b>Amount</b>  | <b>Space</b> | <b>Gas</b>  | <b>Electric</b> | <b>Max. Teams</b> |
|---------------------|----------------|--------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| <b>Professional</b> |                |              |             |                 |                   |
| Entry Fee:          | \$250.00 _____ | 10x10 _____  | Y / N _____ | Y / N _____     | 50                |
|                     |                | 10x20 _____  | Y / N _____ | Y / N _____     |                   |
| <b>Amateur</b>      |                |              |             |                 |                   |
| Entry Fee:          | \$200.00 _____ | 10x10 _____  | Y / N _____ | Y / N _____     | 50                |
|                     |                | 10x20 _____  | Y / N _____ | Y / N _____     |                   |

(If your team has ever cooked in a sanctioned competition for points, you are ineligible to participate in this group)

**Smoothie (Non-Alcoholic) Contest**

Entry Fee: **FREE** \_\_\_\_\_

**APPLICATION, FORMS AND ENTRY FEE DUE August 4, 2023.**

**ADHERENCE TO LOCAL CURRENT COVID GUIDELINES WILL BE IN PLACE.**

Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Team Members: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Team Member Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**BOSTON BUTTS – MINIMUM 10  
MAXIMUM 100 COOK TEAMS**

**CONTEST PAYOUTS**

|                       |                                    |               |               |
|-----------------------|------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| <b>Professional</b>   | <b>1<sup>st</sup> place</b>        | <b>\$ 500</b> | <b>Trophy</b> |
|                       | <b>2<sup>nd</sup> place</b>        | <b>\$ 300</b> | <b>Trophy</b> |
|                       | <b>3<sup>rd</sup> place</b>        | <b>\$ 200</b> | <b>Trophy</b> |
|                       | <b>Grand Champion</b>              | <b>\$ 300</b> | <b>Trophy</b> |
|                       | <b>Reserved Grand<br/>Champion</b> | <b>\$ 200</b> | <b>Trophy</b> |
| <b>Amateur</b>        | <b>1<sup>st</sup> place</b>        | <b>\$ 400</b> | <b>Trophy</b> |
|                       | <b>2<sup>nd</sup> place</b>        | <b>\$ 250</b> | <b>Trophy</b> |
| <b>Fruit Smoothie</b> | <b>1<sup>st</sup> place</b>        | <b>\$ 200</b> | <b>Trophy</b> |
| <b>Castle Choice</b>  | <b>Winner</b>                      | <b>\$ 250</b> | <b>Trophy</b> |

**Special Notes or Requirements:**

**\*\*\*Grand Champion and Reserve Champion *MUST* compete in all 3 meat categories: Boston Butt, Ribs and Chicken.**

**\*\*\*If your team has ever cooked in a sanctioned competition for points, you are ineligible to participate in the Amateur category.**

Authorized Team  
Member Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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