

# Justin Old Town Christmas Food Competition

## How to Enter:

All categories open to Adults and Youth 14 and Up.

Entry fees- \$5.00 per entry. Check or Cash at City Hall

Each participant must complete an "official" Food Contest Entry Form

Entry forms due: Saturday, Dec 5<sup>th</sup> at Justin City Hall 415 N. College Ave. Justin, Tx 76247

Award Announcements to take place on Saturday, December 12th at the Main Stage on the corner of Fourth and Sealy Ave.

**NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED!**

Information required with each entry:

- Name & Age
- Address
- Phone Number
- Recipe- to include ingredients. Entries will NOT be accepted without recipe

## Rules of all Entries:

- All ingredients must be pre-cooked & treated prior to the event – chili is to be brought “ready-to-eat”.
- All baked entries must be in disposable containers unless they will be picked up after judging
- No entries can be accepted that require refrigeration.
- Each contestant must cook a minimum five small containers are required to submit for judging. All entrants should provide a 3x5 index card with ingredients listed as well as the hotness level for chili. For desserts, five small containers are required to submit for judging.

Pictures will be taken of each participant with their entry at time of turn-in. Release permission is included in entry form

# Justin Old Town Christmas Food Competition FAQ's

## Who Can Enter?

Any and all people are welcome to enter the bake off! Kids and Adults ages 14 and up are welcome to participate. Both inexperienced and experienced bakers/ Chili makers are eligible to enter, but all baked goods must be made in a home kitchen. Contestants may work individually or with a team. (Prizes will be awarded to 1 member/team only, NOT each individual.)

## What Can I Win?

Three finalists will be selected for each category. One finalist from each category, representing first place, will win a blue ribbon as well as a prize package sponsored by local businesses. Those placing in second and third place in each category will receive ribbons representing their respective placement.

## What are the Categories?

All entries must fit one of the three category descriptions.

- Cake: This category is intended for baked cakes. Cakes may be single or multi-layer.
- Pie: This category is intended for baked pies (fruit, custard, etc.).
- Cookies/Dessert Bars: This category is intended for baked cookies and/or dessert bars.
- Chili: This category is intended for a hearty stew.

## How do I Enter?

You can pick up a registration form at City Hall or fill out a form [HERE](#). Registration must be done a week before event Saturday Dec 5<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Check-in is between 12:00-1:00PM at the Cook-off tent. Participants may enter any recipe and it does not need to be an original recipe created by the entrant. Recipes may come from cookbooks, magazines, websites, or any other means. **Please provide recipe with registration form.** All submissions will become property of The Justin Oldtown Christmas. Submissions must be home cooked (not store bought). Please DO NOT submit anything that requires refrigeration as the event is held outside.

## How Will Recipes Be Judged?

All entries must meet the requirements of the category entered. Recipes not meeting contest entry criteria will be disqualified. Entries will be judged in the following criteria:

- Appearance (maximum 10 points)
- Taste (maximum 10 points)
- Creativity (maximum 10 points)

Maximum total of 30 points are possible.

## How Will Finalists be Selected?

Judges are required to taste test all entries. Each judge will complete a judging sheet which will indicate each entry's score. Each criterion will require a score of 1 to 10 dependent on that criterion. A combined score will be calculated to indicate the final scoring placement. participants must be present at the mainstage at 7pm for winner announcements and receive rewards at that time.