



2025 DESSERT CONTEST RULES

Friday, July 4th 2025



CONTEST SCHEDULE:

Early Registration	June 1st thru June 30th	
Turn-In Tray Pick-up	Friday, June 27th from 7:00 am – 7:00 pm <i>(Turn-In Trays for Early Registrants available at the Community Center Customer Service Desk)</i>	
Late Registration*	Friday, July 4th from 10:00 am – 10:15 am at Field Pavilion <i>(*Turn-In Trays for Late Registrants given during this time.)</i>	
Competition Day	Friday, July 4th	
Field Pavilion	9:30 am - 10:00 am	Dessert Turn-In Time <i>(Turn-In Accepted Only at This Time)</i>
Field Pavilion	10:00 am - 10:30 am	Dessert Judging
At Stage	10:30 am - 10:45 am	Announcement of Winners

CONTEST RULES:

1. HOW TO REGISTER (Only One Entry Per Family)

Early Registration Early registration is highly recommended and preferred to ensure all contestants are properly entered into the contest. Early Registration begins June 1st and closes on June 29th at 3:00 pm.

Contestants wishing to register early may do so by emailing Miranda Streiff (m.streiff@bcmud.org) with a Completed Entry Form.

Contestants who complete the Early Registration process will be allowed to pick up their “Turn-In” Trays on Saturday, June 28th between 9:00 am – 3:00 pm at the Customer Service Desk (admin side) at the Community Center, located at 16318 Great Oaks Drive, Round Rock, TX 78681

Late Registration Only Occurs the Day of the Event at the 4th of July Parade & Festival on Friday, July 4, 2025, from 9:30 am to 10:00 am. Cat Hollow Park is located at (8320 O’Connor Drive, Round Rock, TX 78681). Late Registration Entrants will be required to complete an entry form on site prior to being given any “Turn-In” Trays.

All Contestants must complete the entry form in full and sign the acknowledgment. Entries will be assigned a number, and judging will occur before the contestant’s names are identified. **Turn-in trays may not be altered in any way, not may they contain any labeling of any kind other than the Category and Entry number provided by the District.**

2. DESSERT-MAKING GUIDELINES

- Desserts must be cooked off-site and turned in on the day of the contest and turned in using the “Turn-In” trays provided by the District.
- All dessert entries must be made from scratch.
- Pre-packaged store-bought brands or commercially available pre-made desserts may not be entered
- All desserts must fit in the dimensions of the container, and it must close.

3. **TURNING IN DESSERT ENTRIES**

- a. Dessert must be entered using the “Turn-In” trays provided by the District to the entrants as part of the registration process. These may be picked up according to the information outlined in the “How to Register” section.
 - b. It is highly suggested contestants register early and obtain the “Turn-In” Trays prior to the day of the competition. Desserts may be transferred to the Turn-In Trays at the event, but these must be submitted before the Official Turn-In Time Frame (9:30 am – 10:00 am).
 - c. Entries must be turned in to the Dessert Competition Area located under the Small Pavilion at the 4th of July Parade & Festival.
 - d. Contestants must provide enough samples for ten to fifteen (10-15) individuals to taste the entry.
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DESSERT JUDGING PROCESS:

1. Judging will be performed by volunteers. The judging process will start at 10:00 am under the small Pavilion closest to O’Connor/Playground.
2. Entries will be assigned a number, and judging will take place before the entrants’ names are identified.
3. The total number of judges will be based on the number of entries. Early Registration by contestants will help ensure the total number of judges is secured.
4. **Judging Criteria:** Each dessert entry may earn up to twenty-five (25) points per judge.
 - a. **Appearance:** Up to three (3) Points may be given. This is the judge’s review of the overall look of your dessert, and neatness.
 - b. **Flavor:** Up to five (5) Points may be given. This is the judge’s review of the taste and the balance of the dessert’s flavoring.
 - c. **Texture/Consistency:** Up to five (5) Points may be given. This is the judge’s review of how evenly the dessert is cooked.
 - d. **Aroma:** Up to five (5) Points may be given. This is the judge’s review of the dessert entry’s aroma.
 - e. **Overall:** Taste Up to seven (7) Points may be given. This is the judge’s review of the overall taste of the dessert entry.
5. **Scoring:** Each judge assigns a numerical value for each category without consultation with the other judges. Each dessert entry may earn up to twenty-five (25) points per judge. The dessert receiving the highest total numerical value is the winner in the competition. Should a tie exist for any of the places, the cumulative score of the “Overall” Criteria will be added together from all judging sheets and the highest score will break the tie.
6. **Prizes:** 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners will be awarded



2025 DESSERT CONTEST Registration Form



Early Registration: Completed form must be turned to **Miranda Streiff** at the Community Center located at 16318 Great Oaks Drive OR via email at m.streiff@bcmud.org no later than 5:00 PM on **Saturday, June 28th at 3 PM.**

Late Registration: Completed form must be turned in at the Small Pavilion between 9:30 am – 10:00 am at Cat Hollow Park, located at 8320 O'Connor Drive, Round Rock, TX 78681

DESSERT CHEF'S NAME: _____

DESSERT NAME: _____

NEIGHBORHOOD: _____

PHONE: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

I, _____, am the authorized representative (or guardian, if minor) for _____ (name of a minor, if contestant), and do hereby acknowledge that I have received and understand the rules for the contest and all information provided above is true and correct. I understand that all entry forms must be turned in no later than 10:15 am on Thursday, July 4, 2024. Brushy Creek MUD will not take any form after this point. I understand that I will receive turn-in trays upon check-in and that the dessert entry listed above will have to be transferred over to the container before 10:00 am. Lastly, I understand that my entry **MUST** be turned in on **Thursday, July 4, 2024, between 9:45 am and 10:00 am** to the Small Pavilion at the 4th of July Parade & Festival in Cat Hollow Park located at 8320 O'Connor Drive, Round Rock, TX 78681. If it is not received during this time frame, the entry will be disqualified.

Signature: _____ Date: _____



Administrative Use Only: ☐ **EARLY** Registration OR ☐ **LATE** Registration
☐ Rules & Judging Criteria ☐ Schedule Provided
STAFF INITIALS _____