

## Youth Cheeseburger Challenge Rules

1. Competitor must be 10-16 years of age with one adult supervisor 18 or older
2. Must provide anything they need for their space this includes: their own table, chairs & BBQ equipment
3. Competitor must leave the space at the end of the day in the same condition it was upon arrival. If a mess is left behind, you may not be permitted to sign up the following year.
4. Mandatory Cooks meeting will be at 4:30pm Friday at the Fair Office, competitors and their supervisor must attend the meeting.
5. BBQ Bonanza will supply each competitor with 5lb of loose hamburger. Competitors must supply all buns, condiments, and toppings they need to turn in 10 burgers in the turn in box that will be provided at the cooks meeting.
6. Competitors are not permitted to sell or distribute food to attendees; food can only be provided to Youth Cheeseburger Challenge food judges through competition entry.
7. Adult/Supervisor can assist with grill/fire management and can supervise and coach the child/teen, but the child/teen must cook and build their burger on their own.
8. All meats must be cooked onsite. The preparation and completion of all meats in competition is within the confines of the cook-off site and the time limits designated by the BBQ Bonanza Committee
9. Preparation:
  - a. Meat must be kept below 40 degrees prior to cooking.
  - b. Cooks are to prepare and cook in a sanitary manner as is possible. Cooking conditions are subject to inspection by the BBQ committee. Infractions identified by the judging committee shall be immediately corrected or the cook will be subject to disqualification.
  - c. Practice safe food handling procedures.
10. Gas, charcoal, or other cooking methods may be used. No open fires, ground fires or ground pits are allowed.
11. Turn-in is 6:30pm at Nery Hall. Entries received after that time will not be accepted for judging.
12. The winners will be announced at 7:00pm at the Midway Stage.
  - a. 1<sup>st</sup> place - \$50
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> place - \$25
13. Judging boxes with hinged lids will be provided at the Cooks Meeting. All containers shall be clean and free of any markings. Marked containers will be disqualified at the Head Judge discretion. The only garnish allowed in the container is green lettuce. All containers will be ticketed before they go to the judges to maintain anonymity.
14. The Cheeseburgers will be judged on Appearance, Tenderness/Texture, and Taste. The judges provide three element scores (whole-number) using 10-to-2 rating scale.