



People's Choice Chili Contest

August 1st, 2014 from 6:00—7:30 m.

Rules & Judging Procedures

(Key changes noted in orange)

1. Contest entry fee is \$25 per team, one entry per entry fee. A team can consist of as many or as few people as necessary. Individuals may compete but there is no individual category. A team may submit as many entries as they like as long as they pay their entry fee per entry.
2. **The Team is RESPONSIBLE FOR CLEARLY IDENTIFYING THEIR TEAM NUMBER. Lynch Livestock will provide two signs for each location as well as a posted statement of voting rules with sample ballot at each location.,**
3. Each participant must supply approximately 5 pounds of chili, which is the equivalent of a large stock pan. Lynch Livestock will provide: 1 oz serving cups for all contestants given at check in. Serving utensils are provided by participant.
4. All meat will be inspected upon entry. Meat must be in raw form. All chili must be cooked at the contest area starting with raw meat, no pre-mixes are allowed and no marinating of the meat. Uncooked sausage may be used in this contest. It must be properly refrigerated in a cooler or other cooling device. All other ingredients must be raw upon entering the contest. All other ingredients, including veggies and juices may be brought in sliced but not cooked as long as they are properly sorted.
5. Contestants may begin as early as 11:00 a.m. on Friday setting up their cooking area and begin cooking. They will have to check in at the registration table upon arriving.
6. Contestants will have to bring their own device to cook the chili on; no open fire pits will be allowed. **No one is allowed to cook chili inside a motor home or like.** All cooking must be done in the open and on-site.
7. All contestants must have a clean and sanitary area.
8. Contestants are expected to bring their own table, chairs, cutting boards, and utensils to use in their area.
9. Contestants may bring any additional garnishes, **SIDE DISHES**, or ingredients to top chili, **OR SERVE WITH CHILI.**

Judging (NEW VOTING SYSTEM)

1. All entries must be fully cooked above **160** degrees before 6:00 and must maintain above that temperature during the contest.
2. Judging of the Pig Stampede People's Choice Chili will begin at 6:00 p.m. and end at 7:30 p.m.
3. Judges will be serving themselves chili and there will be judging supervisors.
4. **As this is a family event, respectful presentations and behaviors are appreciated.**
5. Judging will be as follows:
 - a. Each person who wishes to enter the contest as a judge must proceed to the Chili Judges Area to receive their form, pen, spoon, and identify mark that prevents them from receiving another ballot. A fee of \$2.00 per judge will be received, with proceeds going to the Lynch Family Foundation.
 - b. **The team who receives the most first place votes will win. In case of a tie, the team who receives the most second place votes will win.**
 - c. Contestants will receive results of the contest at awards ceremony on Saturday.