

GRACE FEST 2016

2nd Annual Chili Cook-Off

Saturday, October 8, 2016
1:00 – 5:00 p.m.

COMPETITION RULES

1. Contestants must turn in their Registration Forms to the School Office no later than Tuesday, October 4, 2016.
2. Entry fee is \$15.00 and must be submitted with the Registration Form. Make checks payable to GCS.
3. Contest is limited to the first 25 entries.
4. Contestants must come up with a clever name for their chili.
5. Contestants are responsible for supplying a crockpot of homemade chili and ladle.
6. Crockpots will be assigned a number for blind judging.
7. Sampling cups, spoons, napkins, and bowls will be provided.

CHILI PREPARATION

1. Contestants must prepare a minimum of 5 quarts of competition chili made from scratch.
2. Contestants must serve their homemade recipe in a crockpot.
3. Contestants must provide a ladle for serving their respective chili.
4. Contestants must drop off their chili and set up their crockpot by 12:00 p.m.
5. Chili must be warm and ready to serve by 1:00 p.m.
6. A table will be set up for attendees to add garnishes to their chili.

CHILI TASTING

1. Attendees will be allowed to participate in a one-time sample tasting between 1:00 – 3:30 p.m.
2. Cost to sample all chili entries and vote is \$5.00/person.
3. Participating attendees will complete a voting card and nominate 6 of their favorite samples in no particular order.
4. Attendees' favorite samples will be tallied, and the top 3 chilies will win a People's Choice award.
5. The top 6 nominated chilies will be presented to the judges at 3:30 p.m.
6. Individual bowls of chili will be available to purchase at 4:00 p.m. for \$1.00/bowl.

CHILI JUDGING

1. The People's Choice awards will be based on the attendees' taste testing votes.
2. A total of 3 judges will do a blind taste test of the 6 People's Choice favorites on a scale of 1 to 10 between 3:30 and 3:50 p.m.
3. Judges will use score cards marked with the chilies' assigned numbers.
4. The Grand Champion will be determined from the collective votes of all 3 judges.
5. In the event of a tie, the judges will re-taste and cast a tie-breaker vote. The judges' decision is final.
6. Prizes and bragging rights will be presented at 3:50 p.m. In addition to the People's Choice awards, the judges will present the Grand Champion with a trophy and 50/50 Tuition Award (50% of the entry fee monies will be applied to a student's tuition, and 50% will go to the PTF).

CLEAN UP

1. Contestants are responsible for their crockpots, ladles, and leftover chilies.
2. Booth cleanup begins at 5:00 p.m.
3. Booth may not be disassembled until the event closes at 5:00 p.m.