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March 1, 2025

Thank you for participating in the 2025 GREAT Steak Cook-off. This will be the 14th annual cook-off, and since inception this fundraising event has raised more than \$500,000 for the Boys & Girls Club kids and will now benefit the BCISD Education Foundation.

Following are the categories you will be competing for:

Best Steak: As chosen by the panel of judges using established criteria, the best steak winner will receive bragging rights and the “traveling” trophy to display for a year. The team will also receive a prize and 1st pick of cooking space at the next year’s event.

Pacesetter: Awarded to the team raising the most money to benefit the BCISD Education Foundation, the winner will receive a prize and 2nd pick of cooking space at the next year’s event. Although participation in the Pacesetter competition is optional, teams are encouraged to hold raffles, auctions, contests or other means of raising funds.

Crowd Favorite: Crowd Favorite will be selected by attendees at the event. Each attendee will be given a wooden token to use for voting for their favorite team. The Crowd Favorite winner will receive a prize and 3rd pick of cooking space at the next year’s event.

Best Decorated Booth:

Enclosed you will find all the following information needed to prepare for the event:

1. Entry form (please fill out and return)
2. Team rules
3. Judging rules
4. Sample judging score sheet

Meeting of chief cooks. A meeting will be held at least 3 days before the event to review all rules and to draw for space assignments. You will be given notice of the time and place of the meeting and we ask that at least one team member attend this meeting.

Cooking space assignments. The “best steak” and “pacesetter” winners from prior year earn 1st and 2nd picks respectively. All remaining teams will draw for a spot. Teams may consult with other teams to switch spots if desired.

Please read the enclosed documents carefully and be sure to share this information with your other team members.

If you have questions please contact Amy Ging, Cooking Teams Chair 979.479.1420.

Again, we extend our sincere thanks to you for joining in this event to raise money for the BCISD Education Foundation.

GREAT Steak Cook-Off
March 22, 2025
Team Entry Form

Team Sponsor: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Official Team Name: _____

Chief Cook: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Other Cooks: (limit 3)

_____ **Phone:** _____

_____ **Phone:** _____

_____ **Phone:** _____

Indemnification:

Contestants agree to indemnify and hold the BCSID Education Foundation, it employees and volunteers, harmless from any and all claims made against the BCISD Education Foundation GREAT Steak Cook-Off, including without limitation, all costs, liabilities, judgements, expenses, damages, and attorney fees, arising out of or in connections with (1) any structure erected by contestant (2) any invitees, participants, representatives, employees, servants, and agents (3) any claims on account of or resulting from Contestants' participation in the contest.

I acknowledge receipt of the terms and judging rules and agree to abide by these and all rules and regulations of the GREAT Steak Cook-Off.

Chief Cook: _____

Signature Required

Thank you for supporting the BCISD Education Foundation!

Team Rules

1. Cooking teams will consist of 4 persons, a Chief Cook and three team members. Each team will be responsible for cooking approximately 20 to 25 **1-1/8" rib eye** steaks. One steak will be cooked for judging and the remaining steaks will be cooked for serving to event attendees.
2. Cooking teams must provide their own cooking device, fuel and ice. Teams may use any type of fuel desired. PLEASE NOTE: No electricity will be available.
3. The event committee will provide all steaks. No steaks are permitted at the event other than those provided by the event committee and steaks may not be removed from designated cooking areas prior to judging.
4. Teams are to provide ice chests for safe and sanitary storage of steaks prior to cooking. Teams are responsible for keeping cooked steaks warm until served to guests.
5. All steaks are to be handled in a sanitary manner. Grills will be inspected by the event committee prior to cooking. Food-safe gloves must be worn at all times when handling and cooking steaks. Each cook team is asked to provide an adequate supply of gloves for this purpose.
6. Each team (with the exception of the prior year winning teams who will receive 1st, 2nd and 3rd choice) will draw for remaining booth spaces at least three days prior to the event to allow for planning and placement of cooking device(s), tents, tables, chairs, decorations, and other items, as desired by the team.
7. Each team must provide a fire extinguishing device to be located within the cooking area at all times.
8. Each cooking team member is provided a steak and side dishes as part of the team entry fee. Team members' family and friends must purchase an individual event ticket (or corporate table seating).
9. The "best steak" winning team agrees to offer its cooking services as a live auction item at the conclusion of the event. The winning team agrees to cook a steak dinner for 10 for the winning bidder. A date will be mutually agreed upon between the winning team and the winning bidder. Steaks and side dishes will be provided by the BCISD Education Foundation event committee.
10. All teams are responsible for cleaning up their cooking areas and removing all equipment and personal items at the conclusion of the event.

JUDGING FORM

Steak Number: _____

Appearance 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 _____
Good grill marks _____
Color _____
Other _____

Degree of Doneness 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 _____
Underdone _____
Overdone _____
Just right _____

Tenderness 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 _____
Tough _____
Almost tender _____
Tender _____

Taste 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 _____
Bland _____
Too smoky _____
Too salty _____
Other _____

OVERALL IMPRESSION (Please use decimal value of 1.0 thru 9.9) _____
(Note: Decimal values should be written in the following manner:
Examples – 1.6, 3.2, etc. Use of decimals will lessen the chance of a tie)

TOTAL SCORE _____