

Justin's House Chili Cook- Off FAQ's

1. Are toppings and beans allowed?

Beans are allowed in making your chili however TOPPINGs are allowed ONLY for the general public tasting- not official judges tasting.

2. How large is the space per team?

Team space is 10x 10 feet. We recommend you bring a 10x10 canopy. All teams will set up on the grass.

3. Are electrical outlets available?

Yes, we have a LIMITED number of outlets- first come, first served. Small propane burners are allowed.

4. What is "Best of Show"?

The "Best of Show" award goes to the people's favorite booth. This can include team uniforms, decorations giveaways', signs, etc. Feel free to use this opportunity to promote your business, nonprofit, organization or group. We believe the more entertaining you are the more votes you'll get and the more fun everyone will have! **People will cast their vote using a poker chip that will be included in their tasting kit.**

5. Do the teams make the chili on-site?

No, chili must be made ahead and finished and/or heated up on site.

6. How much chili should a team make?

A good plan is a 2 ounce serving per person. We hope to sell a minimum of 200 tickets so about 4 gallons should do it. Two weeks before the event we will let you know ticket sales numbers.

7. Do teams bring their own serving cups and tasting spoons?

No, these will be 6 ounce sized cups and provided by Justin's House in their tasting kits. We also provide all voting ballots for the judges, ballot boxes for each team, a table and a white paper tablecloth.

8. How do people vote for "People's Choice" chili?

One dollar equals one vote. People can put as many dollars in ONE OR SEVERAL ballot boxes if they feel one or more than one is best. First, second and third place awards will be determined by the panel of judges.

9. What are the prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd Place teams?

1st Place: \$500 and bragging rights. ☺

2nd Place: \$200

3rd Place: \$100

Best of Show (Booth): TBA

People's Choice (Chili): TBA

10. How much are tickets and how can they be purchased?

Tickets for adults and kids over the age of 10 will be \$10 and will include a tasting kit. Tickets for kids under the age of ten are \$5 with unlimited use of the kid's play area including the Bounce House. Tickets are available on-line. We also have physical tickets available so just let us know how we can get them to you and your friends and family.

11. What is in the Tasting Kit?

Plastic spoons
A bottle of water
Saltine crackers
A ballot card
A pencil
Napkins
A Poker chip (for their "Best of Show" vote)

12. What time does the event start?

Official judging is from 11:00-12:00. Doors open to the public at 12:00 and ballot boxes will be collected and counted at 2:15.

13. Are the chili's judged by category?

No, there are no categories nor divisions according to types of chili (green, red, vegetarian, etc.) or type of group competing (firefighter's, nonprofits, etc.)