

“Kids Cook”

BBQ Competition for youths age 8-18 Sponsored by: Full Effect Live! Entertainment Group

RULES:

1. **AGE:** There will be two (2) age groups: 8-12 (Junior) and 13-18 (Senior). The contestant official age is determined as of 5/16/2015.
2. **PREPARATION, COOKING AND PRESENTATION:** Kids Cook contestants must do the preparation, cooking and presentation. If they are unable to do all of this on their own, they are too young to cook. Parents are required to supervise/help with lighting the grill and are required to be in their child's cook area until fires are extinguished after finished product is turned in. Parents are asked not to help with anything else. CONTESTANTS ARE TO DO ALL THE COOKING.
3. **HANDICAP PROVISION:** Handicapped children will be allowed to do as much as they are able with some help from an assigned parent or guardian. Please note on entry form if a handicapped child is participating and what special arrangements need to be made.
4. All children will cook in a designated cooking area on a grill brought from home by the competitor. No grills will be provided. Grill may be powered by gas (propane), charcoal, wood, or pellet burner. Any other grill must be approved in advance.
5. Entries will be submitted to the judging area in numbered containers provided by the SOMD Brew & BBQ Festival.
6. Entrants should not slice or cut finished product for presentation. Judges will be equipped to slice the presentation at the judging table to accommodate portions for the number of judges participating in each division, after the overall appearance is judged.
7. Judging will be based on APPEARANCE, TENDERNESS/TEXTURE and TASTE. The sponsor, Full Effect Live, will conduct judging and all decisions will be final.
8. Judging ranges (scoring) are from ten (10), being the highest to one (1), being the lowest.
9. **COOKS MEETING** will be held at 11:30 am on Sunday, August 2nd, at the Judges building. (It is mandatory that contestants attend this meeting to review rules, pick up turn-in containers and supplies. Failure to attend this meeting will result in a DQ (disqualified) and no refund will be given.
10. **SUPPLIES PROVIDED:** Both age groups will cook hamburgers. Approximately one pound of ground beef and four hamburger buns will be provided the morning of the event to each competitor, after the Kids Cook meeting. Competitors only have to turn in one hamburger in the box. Competitor, family or friends may consume any other patties cooked after the box has been submitted to the judging area. Competitors may turn in any size/ weight hamburger, which includes any number of patties (ie: double cheeseburger, etc.). Only one bun may be used in the turn-in box (ie: one hamburger) to be judged.

11. **SUPPLIES NEEDED:** Contestants must supply their own grill, seasonings, cooking utensils, and garnish to be used for the hamburger. Garnish can include, but is not limited to, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, onions, condiments, and even cheese. (Cheese is not required, but may be used.) Any toppings and garnishes may be used, not just those named above. Each contestant will have a 12' x 12' space in which to place his or her grill and supplies. Contestants may also bring a tent no larger than 10' x 10', chairs and a cooler for soft drinks, or any other comfort items that will fit in the designated area.
12. **ENTRY FORM:** Entry fees (\$10 per child) are required with submission of entry form. Entry form is also available on our web site (www.somdbrewbbq.com). The entry fee will supply the contestant with an apron, meat, and buns for the competition. In addition, it will cover admission for the contestant and one adult into the festival for the competition and all activities associated with the SOMD Brew & BBQ Festival on Sunday, August 2nd.
13. **SCHEDULE:** 11:30 am Check-in and Cooks Meeting; 1:30 pm in the Judges Building (contestants may turn in entries ONLY between 1:25 pm and 1:35 pm. Entries received outside this time frame will be disqualified) 4:00 pm Awards Presentation on the main Stage
14. **PRIZES:** Trophies for 1st- 5th place in each age group. Grand Prizewinner in each age group receives \$100 check from Runner-Up winner in each age group receives \$50 check from Full Effect Live. All contestants will receive an apron at the event.

Information is available at www.somdbrewbbq.com or by calling Robbie at 301-233-9455 or email Robbie@fulleffectlive.com

Completed entry forms should be returned to:

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