



4-H Bake Off

2017 Rules & Guidelines:

1. ALL ITEMS MUST BE **HOMEMADE**.
2. ALL ENTRIES MUST HAVE THE **RECIPE ATTACHED OR IT WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED**.
3. All items must be made primarily by the youth. Parents may help as needed but this is specifically a youth project.
4. Please be sure to read **ALL** details for the varying categories as to ensure your dish meets the requirements for that category. Dishes not fitting the specific instructions will be placed in a fitting category, or eliminated, if there is not an appropriate category.
5. Please do not bring add-ons to your recipes. For example, cookies should not have accompanying “dips,” and breads should not have accompanying “butters” or “spreads.” This is a bake off competition and are looking to specifically judge the “baked” goods. Have your dish prepared for the judge. If something *is* to be added, it should be a part of the specific dish, not something the judge is expected to “add on” ie. frosting is acceptable as it is prepared on a cupcake, while butter is not, as the judge would need to “add” it to the dish.
6. Please be sure to have all items in the office on time. The judges will be ready to begin and it is a bit of a lengthy process. Late entries will not be accepted.
7. Youth may enter only one item per category but you may enter in more than one category.
8. No mixes allowed. The item must be fully baked and ready to serve.
9. Submit either an entire cake or loaf of bread, or one dozen of the baked item (ie. cookies, muffins, biscuits) on a disposable plate for judging.
10. An accurate recipe must be submitted with each entry. Do not tape recipe to bottom of plate. Place the recipe in a ziplock bag and bring it with you when you bring the entry.
11. Baked goods are judged on appearance, texture, crumb, and flavor. Sample score sheets are available upon request.
12. Participants must be present during a Question/Answer Session with the Judges. Participants will receive their judging time after all 4-H Bake Off entries are submitted to the 4-H office.

CATEGORIES

Breads: Yeast Breads, Quick Breads, & Sweet Breads

Cookies: Any Cookie - NO Brownies - NO Dips or Spreads

Cakes: Any cake - NO Brownies

Miscellaneous Sweets: Any dessert item that does not fit in a category listed above