

Red River County Stew Cook-Off Rules
Saturday, September 19, 2015

Listed below are the rules for the Red River County Stew Cook-Off. If you or your group plans to participate, please contact the County Extension Office at 402 North Cedar Street (across from the courthouse on Hwy 37N) in Clarksville or call (903)427-3867.

1. **HEAD COOK** must be a resident **or LANDOWNER** of Red River County and may represent any Red River County Club or organization or **may** enter as an individual.
2. Participants must make a minimum of 5 gallons of stew.
3. The stew must be cooked on the fairgrounds the day of the contest. The meat only may be precooked.
4. The stew main ingredient will be beef, pork or fowl. You may use your own recipe.
5. Participants must furnish their own ingredients and cooking utensils.
6. Stew must be cooked on an open wood fire. Wood will be furnished. **Cooking spots are on a first come first serve basis except the individually owned food booths are at their discretion.**
7. After the stew has been judged, it will become the property of the Fair Association and will be sold. All proceeds from the ticket sales will go to help defray expenses of the Red River County Fair.
8. There will also be a voluntary Showmanship Contest. This contest is intended to be pure fun!! There will be two divisions: (1) Skit- Limited to 3 minutes (2) Display. Entry is limited to one of these two divisions. To enter just tell the Cook-Off Official that day at registration time. Plaques will be awarded in each category. Skits will be presented at the Grandstand prior to the Auction at 6:00 p.m.
9. The Champion pot of stew will be judged on taste, appearance, and quality by a competent panel of judges selected by the Stew Cook-Off Committee.
10. Cash prizes and trophies will be awarded to the first, second, and third place winners.
11. The stew must be ready by 5:00 p.m.
12. The awards will be announced following the auction.
13. Bowls will go on sale at 4:30 p.m. Adults \$6.00 - Children under 12- \$5.00 - Drinks \$1.00. (All you can eat.)