

2016 Ellinger Chamber of Commerce BBQ Cook-Off * May 27 – 28, 2016
Sponsors: Hruska's Grocery and Bakery * Round Top State Bank * Valenta Cattle Co – 4V Ranch

**FRIDAY NIGHT SPECIAL...Anything but BBQ!: Sweet or Savory...your choice...\$10 entry fee per category...enter one or both...label cards will be provided to identify your dish – 8 p.m. judging
Cash Prizes for the Winners!!**

SATURDAY CATEGORIES: Pork Ribs, Whole Chicken, Pork Butt, Beef Brisket, Jackpot Beans

ENTRY FEE: Each meat category - \$15; each pot of beans - \$5 (multiple entries allowed for additional fee)

REGULATIONS:

1. **Registration begins at 5 p.m., Friday, May 28.** Submit completed entry form and pay all entry fees. Meat may be pre-seasoned.
2. **MANDATORY Chief Cooks' Meeting at 11 a.m., Saturday, May 29 in ECC dining hall.** Judging containers will be distributed at this meeting.
3. **Judging Opportunity:** Each team will have the option to provide one judge for the cook-off. Categories to be judged will be decided by a random drawing at the chief cooks' meeting.
4. **Turn-in guidelines:**
 - a. Container label must be on top when submitted; with the exception of beans.
 - b. No foil or sauce in containers
 - c. Promptly turn in containers at the table near the ECC Dining Hall.
 - d. An official clock will be posted at the turn in table. **Late entries will be accepted, but will automatically receive a one point deduction from each judge.**
5. **Turn-in times:**
 - a. 2:40 – Pork Ribs – 4– 6 ribs
 - b. 3:30 – Chicken – One halved chicken, uncut
 - c. 4:20 – Pork Butt – 12 – 15 bite sized pieces and two to four slices (any length)
 - d. 5:10 – Beef Brisket – 12 – 15 bite sized pieces and two to four slices (any length)
 - e. 6:00 – Jackpot Beans
6. Only cooking facilities and one vehicle (if space permits) will be allowed in contest area.
7. The covered pavilion near the glass door entrance will not be available to cook-off participants.
8. RVs will be allowed on the perimeter of the contest area. Limited 110-RV hook-ups are available on a **first-come, first-served** basis for a fee of \$25 per night, per hook-up. You must supply your own extension cord.
9. RV parking will be allowed on the side of the block nearest FM 2503 or on the block across FM 2503.
10. Each team will consist of a Chief Cook who is responsible for the behavior of his or her team.
11. Each team will furnish all needed equipment and supplies.
12. Fires must be of wood or wood substance. NO gas or electric grills will be allowed, EXCEPT for Bean Contest and Friday Night Special.
13. ALL FIRES MUST BE CONTAINED. NO HOLE or DUG pits are permitted.
14. Sauces may be used during cooking, but should not be submitted for judging.
15. NO FIRE ARMS ALLOWED
16. Contest committee RESERVES THE RIGHT to make additional regulations as situations warrant.
17. For questions, call Paula Urban at 713.252.2774 after 6 p.m. or email EllingerBBQ@yahoo.com.
18. ALL DECISIONS of the COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN and JUDGES are FINAL.

Thank you to our sponsors. And, thank you to the teams that participated in the 2015 Ellinger C of C BBQ Cook-Off. We are always looking for new teams, so feel free to forward this information sheet and the attached entry form. See you at the Cook-Off ~Paula Urban, BBQ Cook-Off Chairman

2016 Ellinger Chamber of Commerce BBQ Cook-Off Entry Form
May 28 – 29, 2016

Team Name: _____

Chief Cook: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____ Email: _____

Team Members: _____

Please enter the number of entries your team will submit for judging.

Friday Night Special - Sweet _____ @ \$10 _____

Friday Night Special – Savory _____ @ \$10 _____

Pork Ribs _____ @ \$15 _____

Chicken _____ @ \$15 _____

Pork Butt _____ @ \$15 _____

Beef Brisket _____ @ \$15 _____

Jackpot Beans _____ @ \$5 _____

Total Entry Fee Due \$ _____

Mail Entry Form and Payment to:

Ellinger Chamber of Commerce
Attn: BBQ Cook-Off
PO Box 37
Ellinger, TX 78938

If you are unable to mail the entry form and payment prior to the Cook-Off, please call or email a response. This will allow us to accommodate all space requirements.

RV spots are reserved on a first-come, first-served basis. Call or email early!

Contact Information:

Paula Urban, BBQ Cook-Off Chairman

713.252.2774 (after 6 p.m. weekdays and any time on weekends)

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