22nd ANNUAL GCFA SCHOLARSHIP BENEFIT STATE CHAMPIONSHIP BBQ COOK-OFF GENERAL INFORMATION Oct 3-4, 2025

As you all requested, last year we moved back to the main parking area over by Midway Hall, and around the cattle barn and the concession stand area. We received permission from the city to do this, but space may be limited since we anticipate the coliseum being rented on Sat Oct 4th! As was required in the past, we MUST add a \$75.00 deposit to every cook's site for grease clean up. You are responsible for catching your grease from your pit, whether it be a large aluminum pan with kitty litter or something on that order. These deposits are refundable if your site is left as clean as what you found it. In the recent past, when we were on the asphalt, several teams left significant grease spots we had to clean up. There will be dumpsters available for your grease pans to go into.

1) Registration fee is \$225 to include brisket, chicken, pork butt and pork spareribs. Optional choices include \$30 for beans, \$30 for Cook's Choice-Savory, and \$30 for Cook's Choice-Dessert.

2) Check-in time starts Friday, Oct. 3rd at 8:00 am at 859 Nelda St.

3) Team Captain meeting is Friday, Oct. 3rd at 6:00 pm. We will go over all turn in times. Trays will be ready to pick up at this time.

4) Cook's Choice Savory and Dessert will be turned in Friday night at 8 pm and 8:30 pm respectively.

5) There are a limited number of electrical and water connections. These will be available on a first come first served basis. So, bring your generators in case you do not get a spot with an electrical hookup. Portable toilets will be available on the grounds.

5) Lot sizes are approximately 2 parking spaces wide and 2 deep. Cars/trucks must be parked within the campsite area and not on the side of the roadway. All vehicles left on the side of the campsite roadway will be asked to be moved to the other end of the parking lot. Campsite roadways are to remain clear for emergency vehicles. RV spots along the side of the ball field are the width of a normal RV Spot but are deeper to accommodate your pits and your RV's.

6) All proceeds, after expenses, will go to the Guadalupe County Fair Association Scholarship Fund. We want to provide young people with a chance to further their education

7) There will be a CBA sanctioned Kids Cook Saturday afternoon – The fee is \$25 and registration information is on the registration form. Their Cook Meeting/tray pick up is 3:15 Saturday, Oct 4th and turn in time is at 4:15 pm. They will be able to cook at their family's site, but all rules still apply! They will be cooking boneless pork chops

9) We want this to be a family event! There will be vendors, a Silent Auction, a 50/50 Raffle, a liquor wagon and anything else we can add to make the event fun.

Payout will be 70% of the money brought in. We will pay this over 1st through 4th place in each meat category with 30 teams or less and 1st through 5th place with 40 or more teams. Additionally, we will also have \$1000 in added money. Pennants and certificates will be awarded as well as Buckles for Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion. Grand and Reserve will be awarded a Free Entry for their meats into the 2026 Cook-Off.

Bean's payout will be 70% of the money brought in; with 1st place and 2nd place getting payout while 3rd through 5th will receive certificates.

Cook's Choice payout will be 70% of the money brought in; with 1st place and 2nd place getting payout while 3rd through 5th will receive certificates.

The awards ceremony will be on Saturday, Oct 4th at approximately 5 pm. You need to bring your chairs to the awards ceremony!

Come join the FUN!