



Official Backyard Team

March 4, 2023

Payouts for the 2023 Rhythm & Ribs BBQ Festival Backyard Categories

Grand Champion: \$1,200 & Trophy • Reserve Champion: \$600 & Trophy
 First (per category): \$500 & Trophy
 Second (per category): \$400 & Trophy
 Third (per category): \$300 & Trophy
 Fourth (per category): \$200
 Fifth (per category): \$100
 6-10th will receive acknowledgement of participation

Ancillary Competition

BBQ Sauce, Bloody Mary, Dessert
 \$25 for each entry
 CASH Prize: \$100 FIRST place per category
Turn In: Saturday, March 4 at 9:30 am

Backyard Turn-In Times

Preliminaries:

Chicken 10:30-10:45 am
 Ribs 11:00-11:15 am
 Pulled Pork 11:30-11:45 am

FINALS

Chicken 1:20-1:30 pm
 Ribs 1:40-1:50 pm
 Pulled Pork 2:00-2:10 pm

AWARD CEREMONY: 4:00 pm (Main Stage)

BACKYARD RULES

- There will be a MANDATORY backyard team meeting on Friday evening at 5:30 pm to review rules and judging guidelines. At least one team member should be present.
- Pulled pork can come from any cut of meat (butt, loin, etc).
- Chicken: Do NOT turn in a whole chicken.
- Ribs: Loin back, baby back or spare ribs only. No country style ribs.
- There must be a minimum of six (6) separate and identifiable pieces of meat in your box.
- All meats must be USDA inspected/passed. No pre-seasoning, injecting, marinating or cooking of any entry is to be done off-site.
- No official meat inspection will be done.
- DO NOT use any kind of garnish or decoration in your box.
- The only approved cooking fuels are wood, charcoal or wood pellets. Gas is not allowed (except to start initial fire).
- All Ancillary competition categories MUST be cooked/made on site.

Contest/Festival Schedule

Friday, March 3, 2023

7 am – Until Set-Up at Fulwood Park
 5:00 pm Team Meeting (Pro)
 5:30 pm Team Meeting (Backyard)
 11 pm – 7 am Mandatory Quiet Time

Saturday, March 4, 2023

8 – 9 am Judges Check In (Pro)
 9 – 10 am Judges Meeting (Pro)
 10 am – 10 pm Festival & Entertainment
 4:00 pm Awards Ceremony