

BLUE RIBBON APPLE PIE CONTEST



INSTRUCTIONS TO BE USED BY FAIRS AT THEIR 2017 EVENT

Each county/local fair is encouraged to conduct a 28th Annual Blue Ribbon Apple Pie Contest at their 2016 event. Listed below are the criteria which we would like each fair to use in their contest. The certified first place winner from each fair will then have the opportunity to enter an apple pie in the BLUE RIBBON APPLE PIE CONTEST at the 2017 PENNSYLVANIA FARM SHOW.

RULES for local Fair and the PA Farm Show contests are as follows:

- Open to any individual who is a Pennsylvania resident; only one entry per person.
- Entrants may **NOT** have won 1st place in this Blue Ribbon Apple Pie contest at any other fair in 2015.
- Entry to be a pie that must include at least 60% apples in the filling. It does not need to be a "traditional" two crusted apple pie, and it can have a variety of fillings.
- The entire pie must be submitted for judging in a disposable pie pan. (All pans, plates and dishes are considered to be disposable and will **not** be returned.)
- The recipe for the pie and pie crust must be submitted with the entry. It should be submitted on one side of 8 1/2" x 11" paper. The recipe must list all the ingredients, quantities and the preparation instructions. Entrant's name, address and phone number must be printed on the **back side** of all the pages. (All recipes and pans will become the property of the Fair or PA Farm Show and will **not** be returned.)
- Refrigeration is **not** available at the Fair or PA Farm Show. Entries that require refrigeration after baking must indicate so in the recipe. Those entries will not be sold, auctioned or otherwise distributed for consumption after judging for food safety reasons.
- Judging will be based on the following criteria:

Flavor	30 points
Filling: consistency, doneness, moistness & flavor	25 points
Crust: color, flavor, texture doneness	20 points
Overall Appearance	15 points
Creativity	10 points
TOTAL	100 Points

NOTE:

Creativity is essential in a varied competition. Do not limit your contest to a "traditional" two-crust apple pie. We are looking for a variety of fillings in the pies; the pie must include at least 60% apples in the filling.

The recipe for the pie and pie crust will also need to be submitted when entering at the PA Farm Show.

Each Fair must sign a Certification Form verifying the winning apple pie baker, and this person will be eligible to enter the state competition at the 2017 Farm Show.

NOTE: If an individual has already won 1st place at another fair in 2016 for this Blue Ribbon Apple Pie contest, that individual is now considered qualified through that Fair to compete at the 2017 PA Farm Show and is no longer eligible to enter this contest at any upcoming Fairs.

First Place \$15 Second Place \$10 Third Place \$5

At the PA FARM SHOW level, this contest is jointly sponsored by: The Pennsylvania Apple Marketing Program, The Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture and The Pennsylvania State Association of County Fairs.



ANGEL FOOD CAKE CONTEST RULES

- Open to any individual who is a Pennsylvania resident.
- Entrants may **NOT** have won 1st place in this Angel Food Cake contest at any other fair in 2017.
- Entry must be an Angel Food Cake made from "scratch".
- Pennsylvania produced & packed eggs** are requested to be used if at all possible. Please look for the PEQAP or PA Preferred logo or PA packaging dates on the carton.
- Refrigeration is **NOT** available at the Fair or PA Farm Show. Entries that require refrigeration after baking must indicate so in the recipe. Those entries will not be sold, auctioned or otherwise distributed for consumption after judging for food safety reasons.
- The entire Cake entry must be submitted for judging on **cardboard**. (All pans, plates and dishes are considered to be disposable and will **not** be returned.)
- Recipe(s) listing the ingredients and the preparation instructions must be submitted with the entry (*printed on one-side of 8-1/2" x 11" size paper*). Entrant's name, address & phone # must be printed on the back of the page. (All recipes and cakes will become the property of the Fair or PA Farm Show and will **not** be returned.)
- Judging will be based on the following criteria:

Flavor (smell, taste, flavoring)	30 points
Inside Characteristics (texture & lightness)	25 points
Overall Appearance (surface, size, color)	20 points
Creativity	15 points
Topping, Icing or Decoration	10 points

PRIZES: 1st = \$25 2nd = \$15 3rd = \$10

First Place Winner is eligible for the 2017 PA Farm Show competition. Prizes for the PA State Angel Food Cake Winners: 1st = \$500 2nd = \$250 3rd = \$100
Sponsors: Pennsylvania's Egg Farmers & PA State Association of County Fairs

PLEASE PRE-REGISTER SPECIAL BAKING CONTESTS!

ENTRY TIME IS MONDAY, AUGUST 21, 5 PM - 6:30 PM CHAIRPERSON: KENDA HOOVLER



2017 PA PREFERRED® CHOCOLATE COOKIE, BROWNIE OR BAR BAKING CONTEST

RULES:

- Exhibitor must be an individual (age 8 through and including 18 years ONLY) who is a Pennsylvania resident; one entry per person.
- Entrants may **NOT** have won 1st place in this PA Preferred® Chocolate Cookie, Brownie, Bar contest at any other fair in 2015.
- Entry must be a plate of six (6) cookies, brownies or bars made from "scratch" (no mixes).
- Cookie, Brownies or Bars entry must feature chocolate or cocoa as a main ingredient.
- At least one (1) ingredient must be a PA Preferred® product. Ingredient is to be identified as "PA Preferred®" with its **brand name** in the cookie-brownie-bar recipe. All package labels from the PA Preferred® product(s) used, including the name of the product, must accompany the recipe. Look for the blue and yellow PA Preferred® logo on the ingredient packaging to ensure that the product was produced in Pennsylvania. Please note some packaging may not have the blue and gold logo. A list of PA Preferred® milk and egg producers can be found at www.facebook.com/PaPreferred. You can also search for products at www.papreferred.com.
- Entry must be submitted for judging on a **dolly** set on top of a cardboard or a disposable plate. (All pans, plates and dishes are considered to be disposable and will **not** be returned.)
- Recipe(s) must be submitted with the entry, printed on one side of 8-1/2" x 11" paper. Recipe must list all ingredients, quantities, and the preparation instructions. Entrant's name, age, address and phone number must be printed on the **back** side of all the pages. PA Preferred® product labels must be attached to the recipe. (All recipes and cookies-brownies-bars will become the property of the Fair or PA Farm Show and will **not** be returned.)
- Refrigeration is **not** available at the fair or PA Farm Show. Entries that require refrigeration after baking must indicate so in the recipe. Those entries will not be sold, auctioned or otherwise distributed for consumption after judging for food safety reasons.
- Judging Criteria:**

Flavor	30 points
(aroma, taste, good balance of flavorings)	
Texture	25 points
(appropriate for the type of cookie, brownie or bar)	
Inside Characteristics	20 points
(even grain, evenly baked; free from air pockets)	
Outside Characteristics	15 points
(uniform size, shape, appearance; overall appeal)	
Creativity	10 points
TOTAL	100 points



PRIZES: 1st = \$20 2nd = \$15 3rd = \$10

First Place Winner is eligible for the 2017 PA Farm Show competition. Prizes for the PA Preferred® Chocolate Cookie-Brownie-Bar Winner: 1st = \$250; 2nd = \$100; 3rd = \$50

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2017 PA PREFERRED® CHOCOLATE CAKE BAKING CONTEST

RULES:

- Open to any individual who is a Pennsylvania resident; one entry per person.
- Entrants may **NOT** have won 1st place in this PA Preferred® Chocolate Cake contest at any other fair in 2015.
- Entry must be a layered chocolate cake made from "scratch" (no mixes).
- Entry must be frosted and frosting must be made from "scratch".
- Cake recipe must feature chocolate or cocoa as a main ingredient.
- At least one (1) ingredient must be a PA Preferred® product. Ingredient is to be identified as "PA Preferred®" with its **brand name** in the recipe. All package labels from the PA Preferred® product(s) used, including the name of the product, must accompany the recipe. Look for the blue and yellow PA Preferred® logo on the ingredient packaging to ensure that the product was produced in Pennsylvania. Please note some packaging may not have the blue and gold logo. A list of PA Preferred® milk and egg producers can be found at www.facebook.com/PaPreferred. You can also search for products at www.papreferred.com.
- The entire cake entry must be submitted for judging on cardboard or a disposable plate. (All pans, plates and dishes are considered to be disposable and will **not** be returned.)
- Recipes must be submitted with the entry, printed on one side of 8-1/2" x 11" paper. Recipe must list all ingredients, quantities, and the preparation instructions. Entrant's name, address and phone number must be printed on the **back** side of all the pages. PA Preferred® product labels must be attached to the recipe. (All recipes and cakes will become the property of the Fair or PA Farm Show and will **not** be returned.)
- Refrigeration is **not** available at the fair or PA Farm Show. Entries that require refrigeration after baking must indicate so in the recipe. Those entries will not be sold, auctioned or otherwise distributed for consumption after judging for food safety reasons.
- Judging Criteria:**

Flavor	30 points
(aroma, taste, good balance of flavorings)	
Texture	25 points
(moist and tender crumb; not soggy or dry)	
Inside Characteristics	20 points
(even grain, evenly baked; free from air pockets)	
Outside Characteristics	15 points
(consistent shape/size/surface; overall appeal)	
Frosting	10 points
(taste, texture, even color)	
TOTAL	100 points



PRIZES: 1st = \$25 2nd = \$20 3rd = \$15

First Place Winner is eligible for the 2017 PA Farm Show competition. Prizes for the PA Preferred® Chocolate Cake Winners: 1st = \$500, 2nd = \$250; 3rd = \$100

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