



# 2026 Almost Heaven BBQ Bash

June 20, 2026

\*\*\* KCBS BBQ Judging Application \*\*\*  
17 Friendly Way, Buckhannon, WV 26201



We appreciate your interest in assisting with the Judging Process for our 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Almost Heaven BBQ Bash in downtown Buckhannon, WV the weekend of June 18 – 20, 2026. Several restaurants & bars, shopping, art galleries, and hotels are located within blocks of the venue providing other things to visit & enjoy when you're not judging great BBQ! We're also incorporating lots of fun Lego building contests, displays, workshops, and other family activities, so hopefully you can join us for a day or weekend of fun at our 2026 BBQ Bash.

KCBS Judging is Saturday, June 20th which will include the regular 4 meats for Master teams, along with a "Mystery Box" ancillary, and perhaps another still in discussion stages, so there will be some great food entries. Ours is also one of only 10 KCBS contests using the new "Open Contest" format allowing Master and Backyard teams to compete directly against each other for cash, prizes, points, and bragging rights.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Contact Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Cell ☐ Home ☐ Work

Alternate Contact Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Cell ☐ Home ☐ Work

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KCBS CBJ # \_\_\_\_\_ Completed JCUP? YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

Certified Master Judge? YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_ Certified Table Captain? YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

\*\*\* Please note that submitting this application does NOT assure you of being a Judge at this year's Almost Heaven BBQ Bash. Please remember, selection to the judging process includes all facets of this process. You may be asked to serve at Turn-In, as a Table Captain (if certified), judge, work the left over table or any other position necessary to run the judging process of a KCBS contest. If you are unwilling to work at any of these areas, we ask that you not apply. KCBS Judging Coordinator, Greg Gordon, KCBS Reps and Almost Heaven BBQ Bash organizers will assist in finalizing the panel of judges. You will be contacted via email when your application is received, with accepted judges notified by email or telephone no later than May 1, 2026.

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**Judging Questions ... please contact: Greg Gordon at: 540 / 672-8798 (cell)**

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