



Lee County Go Texan

Mark your calendars for the **2026 Lee County Go Texan BBQ Cook-off and Scholarship Fundraiser weekend**. The fundraiser event will be **June 26-27, 2026, at The Silos on 77 in Giddings, Texas**.

The BBQ Cook-off is **limited to the first 50 teams**. Get your applications and entry fee(s) in early to reserve your team a space. The Jackpot Margarita and Open Event contests will be held on Friday, June 26th.

The Jackpot Bloody Mary and Beans, Chicken, Pork Ribs and Brisket contests will be held on Saturday, June 27th.

The Lee County Go Texan Committee has added this Go Texan Weekend Event to raise scholarship funds to be given to our Lee County, Texas High School Seniors! In 30+ years, the committee has awarded approximately \$1 Million in scholarships to seniors in the Dime Box, Giddings and Lexington School Districts who continue their education.

Thank you in advance for your support and we hope you can join us for the Lee County Go Texan BBQ Cook-off and Fundraising event weekend! Contest rules and contest applications are included in this packet.

For Questions Please contact CO- CHAIRMEN: Myles Niemeyer @ mylesniemeyer74@gmail.com, 979.325.0489 and Joe Diez @ joediez10@yahoo.com, 979.627.5692

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LEE COUNTY GO TEXAN BBQ CONTEST
Go Texan Committee Scholarship Fundraiser
June 26-27, 2026

The Silos on 77
1031 CR 223. Giddings, Texas 78942

Contest open to cooks from all counties.
To qualify for HLSR head cook MUST be from Lee County

1. BBQ CONTEST RULES AND REGULATIONS

Applications will be accepted up to 5PM on until Friday, June 26, 2026.

- 1.1 Spaces of **40' x 40'** maximum will be assigned on a first-received basis, **NO EXCEPTIONS!**
- 1.2 Pits and RVs may arrive starting Thursday, June 25, 2026, at Noon.
- 1.3 There is a minimum of 3 meats per space. All meat categories must be entered to qualify for HLSR.
- 1.4 No vehicles allowed to be parked in your cooking area. Vehicles may deliver items to your cooking location, however, they will need to be parked in the designated parking location. All vehicles must be parked in designated area after meat check in on Friday.
- 1.5 RVs allowed and must fit inside your 40'x 40' area. **NO EXCEPTIONS.** No electric or water hookups provided. Generators are allowed.
- 1.6 Contestants will not be allowed to sell any barbecue. Barbecue cooks may give barbecue to spectators if they wish.
- 1.7 **Please observe state liquor laws.** You may bring alcohol to your cook area, designated parking lot in front of the venue. **Alcohol may be present at your cooking site; however, it may not be brought into** the Silos on 77 nor taken to the back area of The Silos on 77 due to our sanctioned TABC Liquor License. The Silos will have beer, wine and liquor available for purchase, as well as Ice. The **CHIEF COOK** will be responsible for the conduct of his/her team and guests.
- 1.8 Amplification should be used in moderation during the entire cook-off and must be turned off from midnight until 8:00AM. All bands and DJs in the cooking area must be pre-approved. This rule will be strictly enforced and refusal to abide will result in immediate disqualification and eviction from the grounds.
- 1.9 Animals are NOT permitted on the grounds. Leashed, ADA service animals ONLY are permitted. No skateboards, tricycles, bicycles, motorcycles, mopeds, golf carts, three-wheelers or four-wheelers will be permitted on grounds.
- 1.10 Committee members reserve the right to make additional regulations as a situation warrant. Decisions of the committee and judges will be final.

- 1.11 Contestants are welcome and encouraged to remain on the grounds after the competition and through Saturday night. A deadline for cleaning the grounds by noon (12PM) on Sun.
- 1.12 It is suggested that you bring suitable shelter as the weather may require. **RAIN OR SHINE the contest will go on.**
- 1.13 The Lee County Go Texan Committee and The Silos on 77, **WILL NOT** be liable for theft or damages.

2. BBQ CONTEST - COOKING

- 2.1 Chief cook or a representative MUST be present at Chief Cook’s meeting Friday afternoon at 5PM inside Silos on 77; failure to appear will be reason for disqualification from contest.
- 2.2 Chief cook will need ID if competing to represent Lee Co. @ HLSR BBQ contest.
- 2.3 The meat from which entries are to be taken will not be allowed on grills before meat is inspected or tagged. Beans and Meat will be inspected by the Committee from **2:00PM to 6:00PM Friday.**
- 2.4 **PRE-COOKED, SALTED, SEASONED OR MARINATED MEAT or BEANS ARE NOT ALLOWED.**
- 2.5 Each contestant may cook two separate pieces of the type of meat it submits as its entry (e.g., two slabs of ribs, two chickens, two briskets). If a contestant elects to cook two pieces of meat, both pieces must be inspected.
- 2.6 Contestants must supply all the equipment and supplies needed. No electric cookers will be allowed. Propane or butane cookers are not allowed. All fires must be in containers not on the ground. Holes, dug pits or open flames in boxes or other containers resting on or less than two feet above the ground surface are not permitted. **OPEN FLAMES OF ANY KIND ARE NOT PERMITTED** (e.g., tiki torches or campfires.)
- 2.7 Each team will be responsible for cleaning up their space. Hot coals and ashes should be disposed of (not on the ground or in regular trash cans.)

3. BBQ CONTEST – CATEGORY REGULATIONS AND TURN IN

FRIDAY		
CATEGORY	TIME	REQUIREMENT
Chief Cook Meeting	5:00 PM	Must attend
Jackpot Margaritas	6:30 PM	Cup Provided
OPEN Event	7:00 PM	Container Provided

SATURDAY		
CATEGORY	TIME	REQUIREMENT
Jackpot Bloody Mary	11:00 AM	Cup Provided

Jackpot Beans	12:00 PM	Cup Provided, Nothing Larger than the bean placed in container
Chicken	1:00 PM	Container Provided: One Half, Uncut Chicken
Ribs	2:00 PM	Container Provided: 7 complete Ribs individually cut (4 on bottom & 3 on top)
Brisket	3:00 PM	Container Provided: 7 slices no thicker than #2 pencil
Awards	5:00 PM	

Note: Foil Squares will be provided for containers and only placed at the bottom of the container. Lids will be provided for cups. No other decorations or garnishes will be allowed.

ENTRIES MUST BE TURNED IN AT DESIGNATED TURN IN TIME, PER CATEGORY. TEN MINUTE GRACE PERIOD IS ALLOTTED. FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH TURN IN TIMES WILL RESULT IN A NON-ENTRY FOR THE TEAM.

***Meat containers will be handed out at Chief Cook Meeting; Also Jackpot and Open containers will be available for purchase.**

A. MARGARITA & BLOODY MARY RULES AND REGULATIONS

- Participants must be at least 21 years or older.
- Margaritas should be tequila based. Bloody Mary must be Vodka based. May use pre-mixes and regular spices.
- No ice in supplied containers for judging.
- Points awarded for originality only. No points for presentation. No miscellaneous items are allowed on top of cup. (ie. Twizzlers, Umbrellas etc.)
- Garnishes must fit inside containers with the lid closed.

B. OPEN EVENT RULES AND REGULATIONS

- Entries are at the discretion of the registered team.
- Entry may be any meat and/or vegetable dish cooked on a pit or grill.
- NO Desserts or Breads Allowed.
- Jackpot Open placement does not apply to Master Cook or Lee County Team Points

C. JACK POT BEANS RULES AND REGULATIONS

- Entries must start as Dry Beans, inspected on Friday.
- Beans may be soaked
- No Can Beans allowed
- Entries will be judged on taste, aroma and consistency

- Nothing larger than the bean can be placed in the turn-in container. You may cook with meat, vegetables and desired seasonings; however, they must be the same size or smaller than bean.
- Each entry will receive a cup furnished by the Bean Committee for turn in. Everyone turning in beans is responsible for their ticket from the turn in container, failure to do so will result in disqualification of entry.
- Jackpot placings do not apply to Master Cook or Lee County Team Points

D. MEAT RULES AND REGULATIONS

- Meat to be inspected on Friday
- No meat to be pre-seasoned and must be cooked onsite.
- All fires for BBQ must be wood or wood substance.
- Each team cooks meats on their own pit.
- Chicken: Must turn in 1 half uncut chicken
- Ribs: Must turn in 7 individually cut ribs (Baby Back Ribs not allowed)
- Brisket: Must turn in 7 slices of brisket, not thicker than a #2 pencil.
- See list of Turn in Times under BBQ Contest Rules

E. JUDGING AND AWARDS

- 3.1 Judging for each category will begin 15 minutes after turn in.
- 3.2 Do not tear off the ticket prior to turning in your entry. The Lee County Go Texan Staff will assist with tickets upon turn in.
- 3.3 Awards will be given to the Top 5 Teams in all categories
- 3.4 Certificates will be given to Top Teams placing 6th – 10th in all categories
- 3.5 Chicken, ribs, and brisket will pay out per category.
1st 300.00 2nd 200.00 3rd 100.00
- 3.6 Margaritas, Bloody Mary, Open Event and Beans do NOT count toward overall Master Cook or Lee County Go Texan 2026 Team Points
- 3.7 Margaritas, Bloody Mary, Open Event and Beans will payout
1st 60% of entries 2nd 40% of entries
- 3.8 All final scores will be posted 1 hour after the awards ceremony
- 3.9 **TIE BREAKER:** In the event of a tie in scoring, the BRISKET Score will be the deciding factor.
- 3.10 Two Top Awards will be awarded as follows:
 - 3.10.1 OVERALL, MASTER COOK TEAM
Cash payout of 150.00
 - 3.10.2 2024 LEE COUNTY GO TEXAN QUALIFYING TEAM
 - 3.10.3 Overall awards can be given to the same team, or separate teams, depending on the scoring of events. If the Overall MASTER Team did not indicate they would like to represent Lee County in the 2027 HLSR Cookoff, then the next

highest team that has indicated participating in 2027 HLSR Cookoff will be awarded the Lee County Team for 2027.

- 3.10.4 **The Lee County Go Texan BBQ Contest Over All winner will be determined by the highest total of points in the **Brisket, Pork Ribs, and Chicken categories ONLY!**** Chief Cook for Team representing Lee County MUST LIVE and have a valid address in Lee County, Texas.
- 3.10.5 The Lee County Overall winner may represent Lee County at the Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo World Champion BBQ Contest in 2027, depending on eligibility.

CO-CHAIRMAN:

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Please check the box to indicate your team is interested and willing to represent LEE County at the HLSR BBQ Cookoff in February 2027.

Lee County Go Texan
BBQ CONTEST ENTRY FORM
Friday, June 26 – Saturday, June 27, 2026
ENTRY DEADLINE: June 26, 2026, at 5PM

ENTRY FEES:	
ALL JACKPOT AND OPEN EVENTS \$20.00/ Per Container	CHICKEN, PORK BRISKET \$150.00/per team

TEAM NAME:	CHIEF COOK:
ADDRESS:	
Phone Number & Email	

TEAM MEMBERS: Name, complete address, and phone number(s) are required of all team members

1. _____ 4. _____
2. _____ 5. _____
3. _____ 6. _____

PLEASE READ, SIGN AND MAIL ENTRY FORM(S) AND SPACE RESERVATION FORM ALONG WITH CHECK
Mail To: Lee County Go Texan, c/o BBQ Contest, PO Box 906 Giddings, Texas 78942 (Payable To: Lee County Go Texan)

All participants agree by submission of their name on entry form to NOT hold members, officers, and/or committeemen of the Lee County Go-Texan Committee, The Silos on 77 or any other individual or group associated with this event responsible for accidents, losses or damages while participating in this event.

Signature of Chief Cook _____ **Date**

<u>FOR INTERNAL USE ONLY:</u>	
PAID:	
<input type="checkbox"/> CASH \$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> CHECK # _____ \$ _____
TOTAL DUE: \$ _____	