



2025 Dime Box Homecoming Festival

When, Where, Entry Fee and Categories

When:

Friday, October 3rd and Saturday, October 4th in downtown Dime Box

• Friday, October 3rd - 5 to 8 pm:

Arrive, Check-in & Setup

There will be a mandatory Chief Cook Meeting on Friday, October 3rd at 8 pm, in the [Dime Box Community Center](#).

• Saturday, October 4th - 9 am to 6 pm:

Cookoff, Optional Contests, Judging & Awards

Where:

Cookoff area* will be in the open area behind the [Dime Box Community Center](#)

**Due to space limitations, only BBQ Pits will be permitted in the Cookoff area.*

Entry Fee:

There is not an entry fee. However, each team must donate a brisket weighing 10 pounds for the Auction, which will be held on **Saturday, October 4th at 4 pm.**

Categories:

- Beef Brisket (required), • Chicken, and
- Pork Ribs (Spare or St. Louis Style)

Meats may be pre-seasoned and must be checked by BBQ Committee by **Friday, October 3rd at 8 pm**, or team will be disqualified.

BBQ Cookoff

October 3 & 4, 2025

General Information and Rules & Regulations

Judging, Optional Contests, and Awards

Judging:

Saturday, October 4th at:

- 1 pm - ½ Chicken
- 2 pm - 6 Pork Ribs
- 3 pm - 6 Slices of Brisket

Optional Contests:

- Jackpot Beans: \$10.00 entry fee. Awards for 1st, 2nd & 3rd place winners.

Entries must be turned in by

10 am on Saturday, October 4th.

Jackpot Containers may be purchased at the Chief Cook Meeting on Friday night.

- Bloody Mary's: \$10 entry fee. Awards for 1st, 2nd & 3rd place winners.

Entries must be turned in by

11 am on Saturday, October 4th.

Awards:

There will be three awards in each category, one Master Cook Award*, and a Showmanship Award.

All teams are encouraged to enter for the Showmanship Award.

**Each team must enter in all meat categories to qualify for Master Cook. Jackpot entries will not be calculated with the Master Cook Calculations.*

Presentation of Awards will be held on **Saturday, October 4th at 4 pm.**

Parking: Designated Parking for RVs and vehicles of Cookoff teams will be in the open grassy area located across from the front of the Community Center, beside the railroad tracks. Entrance to the parking area will be at the corner of [Guy M. Bryan Drive \(CR 425\)](#) and [Ramsey Street \(CR 141\)](#).

For questions or additional information regarding the BBQ Cookoff, contact James Mitschke by calling 979-540-0700.