DISTRICT 7 4-H FOOD SHOW
GUIDELINES FOR PARTICIPANTS

(For agents to use in corresponding with county winners)

1. Submit materials required for participation...see Check Sheet.

2. Arrive at the Big Country Hall according to designated schedule.

3. Check in with the appropriate division/category superintendent. Parents may help younger members transport their food into the building. District Council officers will help contestants get food into contest room. No parents will be allowed into the contest room during judging.

4. Juniors and Intermediates will have 5 minutes for the interview and 2 minutes for scoring. Seniors will have 3 minutes for their presentation, 5 minutes for their interview, at the conclusion of the question and answer period you will have 1 minute to serve the judges a portion of your dish and 6 minutes for scoring.

5. When indicated, take serving dish (one serving of dish for junior and intermediate contestants) to where the judges for your food category are seated.

6. Fancy or elaborate placemats, linens, centerpieces, candles, etc., are not to be included with the dish as it is presented for judging interviews. Junior and Intermediate contestants can only take one serving of their recipe on a disposable plate(plastic, Styrofoam, or paper) to the judges. Senior contestants should use only serving dishes and utensils appropriate and necessary to present and serve the dish to be judged. Agents and leaders are encouraged to use discretion regarding this matter when counseling senior 4-H’ers for the show.

7. When judging is completed for junior and intermediate contestants, the serving on the disposable plate will remain with the judges. Senior contestants should remove their dish from the building following judging.

8. Contestants may choose to eat lunch before or following their designated judging time.

9. All contestants must be in their seats at 12:45 p.m. for the Awards Program.

10. Participate in the Awards Program beginning at approximately 1:00 p.m.

11. Please have youth write “thank you” letters, and bring them to the Food Show that morning.

Facilities: Taylor County Expo Center/Big Country Hall
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             1700 Highway 36
             Abilene TX 79602