



4-H Favorite Foods Day

Liberty High School (LEAF BLDG)

12220 Road 36, Madera, CA 93636

Saturday, January 20, 2024

9:30 – 10:30am(Approx.) - Setup

10:30 - 11:00am - Judges Orientation

11:00am (Approx.)-Judging.....Showmanship...

12:30pm (Approx.)-Picture Taking (after judging)

**** Sampling of food following AWARDS ****

Enter HERE:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSf_zjz5cuXtsgJP6zo0eWXRrCzzeQkqQBlz_pVuxI5J6kpgM4Q/viewform

Guidelines To Follow for Favorite Foods Day:

1. One entry per category, with no limit on how many categories you may enter.
2. Pre-registration required.
3. All entries **MUST** be made by contestant and all setting up of entry or display **MUST** be done solely by the contestant.
4. Exhibit should be attractively displayed. A holiday or special occasion theme may be used. Placemats and decorations should be used in your display.
5. Recipes **MUST** be included, printed in ink or typed, on recipe cards or paper, **5x7 inch size maximum**. An entry not having a recipe to accompany the entry will be disqualified. Please **DO NOT** put your name on the recipe card. Complete recipes, ingredients and instructions are required for each category entered. Please read your recipes very carefully. Recipes will **NOT** be returned.
6. You will be given a registration number when you check in. Please keep that number for registering your item.
7. All displays must be in place ready for judging by 10:30 a.m.
8. Primary members may enter category 15. Participant ribbons only will be awarded in this category
9. All 4-H members are eligible to participate. The Danish and American systems of judging will be used. Each contestant will be judged on their own merit receiving a blue, red or white ribbon on their entry. An entry can be disqualified if it does not come under the guidelines at the judge's discretion. Judges will choose from each category a 1st (gold), 2nd (silver), and 3rd (bronze) on an overall basis (mini member category excluded).
10. Tables will be covered with butcher paper. Spaces provided for each contestant will be 14" deep x 24" wide. To keep within these limits, please take this into consideration when creating your display.
11. NO alcoholic beverages or containers are to be used in displays in any category.
12. Electrical outlets **WILL** be available this year for hot items. **Must** provide your own cooling source for cold foods. (Such as ice cream, or those that will melt easily). Members, please provide your own utensils for cutting & serving as though you were going to serve it.



CATEGORIES

1. **Cookies**All cookies, brownies, bar cookies, etc. Entry can be prepared from a box with additional ingredients.
2. **Cakes**Made from scratch. Entry can be made from a box with additional ingredients.
3. **Breads**White, wheat, banana, etc.
4. **Appetizers**Cheese balls, dips, fondues, etc. Please provide bread, crackers, chips, etc.
5. **Pastries**Pie, cheesecake, pudding, breakfast rolls, etc.
6. **Candies**All kinds.
7. **Entree/Main Dish**Main dish of a meal or side dish of a meal.
8. **International Dish**.....Any dish with a different country of origin.
9. **Salads**..... Any type of salad - jello, potato, macaroni, fruit, etc.
10. **Place Setting - Holiday/Special Occasion Decorations** Include menu (NO FOOD) Formal or informal, just for fun, picnic etc. Centerpieces, gift basket filled and decorated holiday crafts.
11. **Primary Member**Any food or place setting prepared by the member. Participant ribbon only awarded.

SPECIAL AWARDS will be given for the following categories: Beef, Pork, Chicken, Nuts, Dried Fruits, Decorated Food, Dairy Products (must contain at least 2), and Educational Theme.

You **MUST** sign up your entry for the special awards when you register; you will **NOT** be entered automatically. Be sure to check when registering to see if your entry qualifies for special award consideration as most do. An item can be entered under more than one category for a special award if it qualifies

4-H Favorite Foods Day is a baking/cooking event for all 4-H'ers. You do not have to be in the Foods & Nutrition Project to participate. You can medal at this event, win special awards and above all HAVE FUN!!!

Entries are judged on: Flavor, texture, appearance, display (Overall), completeness of recipe.

Place settings, Decorated Foods, Holiday/Special Occasion are judged on:

Proper setting, attractiveness, originality, menu to coordinate occasion, appearance, creativity, color, design suitable for purpose.

**** It is important to display your entry as attractive as possible. (Please refer to Guideline #10 for size of space you are allowed)**