

2026 Clayton County Fair Cookout Contest Registration Form

Clayton County Fairgrounds- Next to Floral Hall – Garnavillo, Iowa
Sunday, August 9th, 2026

Contestant or Team Name: _____ Phone #: _____

Address: _____

Email Address: _____

If Competing as a Team List Each Member: _____

Farm Bureau Meat Cookout Contest Categories

Select the category(s) you wish to enter in 1 or all 3:

☐ Pork ☐ Chicken

☐ Beef (Beef brisket is not applicable to win due to the time restraints at State Fair)

Entry Fee: \$25 per category:

Check Number _____

Check Amount \$ _____

Farm Bureau Meat Cookout Contest (5 Judges)		
Category	1 st Place	2 nd Place
Beef	\$250	\$150
Pork	\$250	\$150
Chicken	\$250	\$150

Registration: All contestants may begin setting up and cooking at **6:00 AM or after** on Sunday, August 9th, 2026. Farm Bureau Meat Cookout contestants must be ready to **turn in their meat at 3:00 PM**. Awards will follow judging. You may participate in multiple categories, for example, Farm Bureau Beef Cookout Contest, People's Choice Contest and the Battle of Baked Beans Cookout Contest.

Please mail this form to: **Clayton County Fair**, PO Box 366, Garnavillo, IA 52049 before July 28th.

Judging: Each contestant must **submit 5 samples on a plate/platter (you provide)**. Necessary utensils will be provided to the judges by the fair (forks and knives) to eat for 5 judges.

Rules: All entries must be cooked on the official cookout contest grounds. A minimum of 5 samples must be turned in, garnishes are allowed. Cooking can only be done on a charcoal, wood, propane fired device or electrical pellet grills. Meats that are boiled (only) or fried (only) will not be accepted. The cookout contestant is responsible for observing acceptable and prudent temperature and sanitary requirements. Contestants cannot sell samples to the general public. Feel free to bring a tent to cook under. Any Iowa resident 13 years or older is eligible to participate in the Cookout Contest. Farm Bureau membership is not required. Past Cookout Contest champions that have placed at the State Fair and Farm Bureau or affiliated company employees are not allowed to compete at the county level. Need to provide an ingredient list to coordinators if placed first or second and would like to enter into the Iowa Farm Bureau Cookout Contest at the Iowa State Fair.

Please select: _____ Yes, I **DO** need electricity _____ No, I **do NOT** need electricity

By signing this document, the contestant agrees to abide by all rules and regulations set forth or established by the Clayton County Fair Committee. I understand there are inherent risks in participating in any cookout. In consideration of the acceptance of my entry, I hereby waive and release of myself, heirs, executor or anyone who might claim on my behalf, covenant not to sue the event directors, event officials, Clayton County Agricultural Society or volunteers from all claims or liability for death, personal injury, illness or personal damage of any kind arising out of the course of my participation in this event. I also grant full permission to the event directors and/or agents authorized by them, to have free use of my name and picture in any broadcast, telecast, videotape, print and/or social media or any other record of this event for any purpose. Money back not guaranteed if weather permitting. If competing as a team, each team member must sign and date.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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