BLUE RIBBON APPLE PIE CONTEST

1st: \$50 2nd: \$40 3rd: \$30

INSTRUCTIONS TO BE USED BY FAIRS AT THEIR 2023 EVENT

APPLE PIE

Each county/local fair is encouraged to conduct a 35nd Annual Blue Ribbon Apple Pie Contest at their 2023 event. Listed below are the criteria which we would like each fair to use in their contest. The certified first place winner from each fair will then have the opportunity to enter an apple pie in the BLUE RIBBON APPLE PIE CONTEST at the 2024 PENNSYLVANIA FARM SHOW.

RULES for local Fair and the PA Farm Show contests are as follows:

- 1. Open to any **amateur** baker who is a Pennsylvania resident; only one entry per person.
- 2. Entrants may <u>NOT</u> have won 1st place in this Blue Ribbon Apple Pie contest at any other fair in 2023.
- 3. Entire entry must be **made from scratch.** No pre-packaged ingredients tmay be used (ex: pre-made mixes, cookie dough, pie crust, frosting, etc.) All ingredients and decorations must be edible.
- 4. Recipe **must include at least 60% apples in the filling**. It does not need to be a "traditional" two crusted apple pie and it can have a variety of fillings.
- 5. The entire pie must be submitted for judging in a disposable pie pan. (All pans, plates and dishes are considered to be disposable and will <u>not</u> be returned.)
- 6. The recipe for the pie and pie crust must be submitted with the entry. It should be submitted on one side of 8 ½" by 11" paper. The recipe must list all the ingredients, quantities and the preparation instructions. Entrant's name, address and phone number must be printed on the <u>back side</u> of all the pages. (All recipes and pies will become the property of the Fair or PA Farm Show and will not be returned.)
- 7. Refrigeration is <u>not</u> available at the Fair or PA Farm Show. Entries that require refrigeration after baking must indicate so in the recipe. Those entries will not be sold, auctioned or otherwise distributed for consumption after judging for food safety reasons.
- 8. Judging will be based on the following criteria:

Flavor 30 points
Filling: consistency, doneness, moistness & flavor
Crust: color, flavor, texture doneness 20 points
Overall Appearance 15 points

NOTE:

Creativity is essential to a varied competition. Do not limit your contest to a "traditional" two-crusted apple pie. We are looking for a variety of fillings in the pies; the pie must include at least 60% apples in the filling.

The recipe for the pie and pie crust will also need to be submitted when entering at the Pennsylvania Farm Show.

Each Fair must submit the Contest Summary Report verifying the winning apple pie baker. This person will then be eligible to enter the state competition at the 2024 Farm Show.

<u>NOTE</u>: If an individual has already won 1st place at another fair in 2023 for this Blue Ribbon Apple Pie contest, that individual is now considered qualified through that Fair to compete at the 2024 PA Farm Show and is no longer eligible to enter this contest at any upcoming Fairs.

Premiums for the 2020 PA FARM SHOW competition will be as followed:

First Place \$500.00 Second Place \$250.00 Third Place \$100.00

Fourth Place Ribbon Fifth Place Ribbon

At the PENNSYLVANIA FARM SHOW level, this contest is sponsored by: The Pennsylvania State Association of County Fairs

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