



# Cottage Grove Strawberry Fest Top Chef Contest - 2025

The Strawberry Fest Top Chef Contest will be held at Kingston Park on Friday, June 20th with registration at 5:00 p.m.

Judging will be at 6:00 p.m. with winners being announced at the Top Chef Booth

*Rules of the Contest...Each dish must contain Strawberries!*

## Youth Division Age 10 and under:

\$5.00 Entry fee **per** item

\_\_\_\_\_ Chef's Choice (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Places will be awarded)

## Junior Division Age 11 – Age 17:

\$5.00 Entry fee **per** item

\_\_\_\_\_ Chef's Choice – (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Places will be awarded)

## Adult Division - Age 18 – Above:

Please select a category below...Prizes will be awarded to the top 3 in each category

\$5.00 Entry Fee **per** item in **each** category

Appetizer/Side Dish \_\_\_\_\_

Breads \_\_\_\_\_

Cakes/Pies \_\_\_\_\_

Desserts \_\_\_\_\_

Main Dish \_\_\_\_\_

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\*\*\*One form per entry\*\*\*

Please mail your registration and payment to:

Cottage Grove Strawberry Fest, Attn: Strawberry Top Chef Contest, PO Box 512,  
Cottage Grove, MN 55016

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*\*Please Note: If your item(s) needs to be refrigerated or served warm, please bring your item(s) in an appropriate container as we do not have access to keep these types of items cold or hot.**



# 2025 General Rules & Regulations

**Strawberry Top Chef Contest will include:  
Youth Division (10 & under) & Junior Division (11 – 17)  
Adult Division (age 18 & over)  
Participants may enter all categories within their division.**

1. Each food item must contain strawberries.
2. Only one entry per person per category in each division.
3. Exhibitors will not be allowed to enter items in another person's name.
4. All items must be entered in disposable containers or on paper plates.
5. All entries for all categories must be made from scratch; bought foods (including pie shells, i.e store bought graham cracker crust) will NOT be eligible for entry.
6. A recipe for each entry must be included, along with name, address and phone number. Either typewritten or in legible handwriting.
7. Entries will be accepted on **Friday, June 20, 2025 from 5:00 p.m. until 6:00p.m. Judging will begin promptly at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, June 20, 2025 at Kingston Park across from the Strawberry Fest Information Booth.** Each person must register and will receive a number for their item(s).
8. Categories for the Youth Division (age 10 and under) will include Chef's Choice.
9. Categories for the Junior Division (age 11 - 17) will include Chef's Choice.
10. Categories for the Adult Division (age 18 and above) will include Appetizer/Side Dish, Breads, Cakes/ Pies, Desserts and Main Dish.
11. Judging criteria will be based on Taste, Appearance, Creativity and Overall Appeal.
12. All recipes submitted as entries become property of the Cottage Grove Strawberry Fest, a non-profit 501(c)(3). By entering the contest, all participants consent to the commercial use of their name, picture, likeness and recipe for advertising and/or publicity/promotional purposes without further compensation. The contestants must also allow the festival to use their recipe, with proper credit, for inclusion in a Cottage Grove Strawberry Fest Cookbook if we choose to create. (Cookbook date to be determined, if applicable).

## **Prizes:**

### **Youth Division: Chef's Choice**

1<sup>st</sup> Place, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place, 4<sup>th</sup> Place and 5<sup>th</sup> Place

### **Junior Division: Chef's Choice**

1<sup>st</sup> Place, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place, 4<sup>th</sup> Place and 5<sup>th</sup> Place

### **Adult Division: - Appetizer/Side Dish**

1<sup>st</sup> Place, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place

### **Adult Division: - Breads**

1<sup>st</sup> Place, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place

### **Adult Division: - Desserts**

1<sup>st</sup> Place, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place

### **Adult Division: - Cakes/Pies**

1<sup>st</sup> Place, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place

### **Adult Division: - Main Dish**

1<sup>st</sup> Place, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place



***For additional information: Please contact with questions, via email  
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