

PINE TREE FESTIVAL BBQ COOKOFF REGISTRATION FORM

Event Date: Friday, May 1st – Saturday, May 2nd, 2026

Location: Vacant Lot Behind the Karrh Theater (109 North Green Street)

Entry Fee: \$50 per team – Cookoff (Submit to the DDA of Swainsboro along with this form.)

- Those who have entered the cookoff can submit an additional \$150 to the Pine Tree Festival Organization along with their completed official Pine Tree Festival vendor form to receive a permit to sell at the cookoff area and at the official Pine Tree vendor area.

Prize Money:

- **1st Place: \$500** Sponsored by Pinetucky Country Meats
- **2nd Place: \$400** Sponsored by Vidalia Peanut Company
- **3rd Place: \$300** Sponsored by Lynn & Bob's

Team Name: _____

Chief Cook Name: _____

Assistant Cooks (if applicable):

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____

ZIP Code: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Important Notice:

Only **20 team** spots are available for the BBQ cookoff. Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis. To guarantee your spot, submit your registration and entry fee by **April 30th, 2026, at 3 PM.**

Acceptable Payment Methods:

- Check, Credit Card, or Cash

Important Rules Acknowledgment (Please initial next to each rule)

- _____ I acknowledge and agree that the decision and interpretations of The Pine Tree Festival Backyard BBQ Contest Rules and Regulations are at the discretion of the contest representative and are final.
- _____ I acknowledge that my team will provide all necessary equipment, and we will ensure all safety and cleanliness standards are followed.
- _____ I understand that the Official Meat Inspector must inspect meat before cooking begins, and cooking must occur within the assigned cooking space.
- _____ I agree **not** to sell or distribute food from the **competition area unless** I have registered to sell and have a Pine Tree Festival vendor permit visibly displayed.
- _____ I understand that my team may be disqualified if any rules are violated, including those regarding the handling of meat, cleanliness, or conduct.
- _____ I understand one representative from each team must attend the Cook's Meeting at 7:00 PM on Friday, May 1st.

Signature of Chief Cook: _____

Date: _____

Please submit this form along with your entry fee \$50 entry fee to the Downtown Development Authority of Swainsboro, Attn: BBQ Cookoff, PO Box 600, Swainsboro, Georgia 30401. For questions regarding entry fee payment or to pay by credit card, call Melissa Kirby, Downtown Development Director at Swainsboro City Hall at 478-237-7025. If you mail both payments together, please make sure you issue two checks to the appropriate parties, each for the amount due to that party along with both forms.

For more information regarding the BBQ contest, please contact:

Pine Tree Festival BBQ Contest Coordinators
Allen McDaniel 478-455-3409
Del Brown 478-455-0918

For Contest Organizers Only:

- **Team Number Assigned:** _____
- **Payment Received:** [] Yes [] No
- **Cook's Meeting Attendance Confirmed:** [] Yes [] No