**DEPARTMENT 15 SECTION 7 Class 2**

**2023 JUNIOR BAKING CONTEST COOKIES, BROWNIES AND BARS**

**FAIR PRIZES: 1ST-$20.00 2ND-15.00 3RD-$10.00**

**Exhibits can be entered on July 16, 2023 from 2-4PM or July 17, 2023 from 12-8PM**

**Exhibits can be picked up on July 23, 2023 from 2-4 PM.**

1. Open to any individual **amateur** baker (ages 8-18 at the time of the fair’s contest) who is a Pennsylvania resident. One entry per person.
2. **Entrants may NOT have won 1st place in this Junior Baking Contest at any other fair in 2023.**
3. Entry must be **six (6) individual sized portions** of the baked entry item.
4. Entire entry must be **made from scratch.**  No pre-packaged ingredients may be used (ex. Pre-made mixes, cookie dough, pie crust, frosting, etc.) **ALL INGREDIENTS AND DECORATIONS MUST BE EDIBLE.**
5. At least two (2) PA Preferred or locally purchased ingredients must be used in the recipe. Some examples of qualifying ingredients include grains (such as oats or flour), butter, milk, eggs, fruits, or vegetables.
6. **A PA Preferred logo is not required (**not all Pa Preferred Products carry the label. The name of the ingredient and the source is sufficient (see attached example). Contact RA-AGPAPreferred@pa.gov for any assistance with qualifying ingredients
7. Entry must be submitted for judging **on a food safe disposable setting.** (All pans, plates and dishes are considered to be disposable and will not be returned.)
8. Recipe must be submitted with the entry *(printed on one-side of 8 ½” x 11” size paper).*  Recipe must list all ingredients, quantities and preparation instructions. **The name of each PA Preferred ingredient or locally purchased ingredient must be clearly listed along with the source that made/grew the product (**ex. PA Preferred Milk-Galliker’s brand or Apples-Smith Farm Orchard). Entrant’s name, address and phone number must be printed on the back of all pages. *(All recipes and cookies, brownies, bars will become the property of the Fair or PA Farm Show and will not be returned.)*
9. Refrigeration is NOT available at the Fair or PA Farm Show. Entries that require refrigeration after baking must indicate so in recipe. Those entries will not be sold, auctioned, or otherwise distributed for consumption after judging for food safety reasons.
10. Judging will be based on the following criteria:

Flavor (aroma, taste, good balance of flavorings) 30 points

 Texture (appropriate for type of cookie, brownie or bar) 25 points

Inside Characteristics (even grain, evenly baked, free from air pockets) 20 points

Outside Characteristics (uniform size, shape, appearance; overall appearance) 15 points

Creativity 10 points

Total 100 points

First Place Winner will be eligible for the 2024 PA Farm Show Competition

**PREMIUMS FOR THE 2024 PA FARM SHOW COMPETITION**

1st-$500.00 2nd-$250.00 3rd-$100.00 4th-Rosette Ribbon 5th-Rosette Ribbon

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