

# IOWA MEAT CATEGORY SCORECARD

Contestant No. \_\_\_\_\_ Category \_\_\_\_\_

Judge's Score	Maximum Points	
		<b>Taste</b>
_____	30	Taste/Flavor.
_____	15	Juiciness/Tenderness.
_____	10	Overcooked/Undercooked.
_____	10	Pleasing texture.
		<b>Appearance</b>
_____	15	Appetizing color, is the garnish attractive? Does the prepared product have eye appeal?
		<b>Originality</b>
_____	10	Is the recipe suitable for outdoor cooking?
_____	10	Is it an original idea, or a good adaptation?
_____	100	Total Possible Points.

Judge's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE:  
Contestants are judged on their meat preparation only. Showmanship is judged separately.



# SHOWMANSHIP SCORECARD

Contestant No. \_\_\_\_\_ Category \_\_\_\_\_

Judge's Score	Maximum Points	
_____	10	Use of side dishes to complement meat dish.
_____	10	Contestant's apparel. (Suitable for outdoor cooking.)
_____	35	Chef's Knowledge of product and use of equipment - culinary flair.
_____	25	Does this recipe have consumer appeal? (i.e., cost per serving and ease of preparation.)
_____	20	Overall appearance. (Table display, side dishes, meat dish, neatness of cooking area.)
_____	100	Total Possible Points.

Judge's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE:  
Showmanship is judged separately from the Iowa Meat Category judging.



**2019 COOKOUT CHAMPION**  
**TROY ANDERSON**  
HAMILTON COUNTY

IOWA STATE FAIR - AUGUST 17, 2021  
GRAND CONCOURSE



## RULES FOR THE CONTEST

Since the mid 60s, Iowa Farm Bureau has held the Annual Cookout Contest on the Grand Concourse of the Iowa State Fair. This event promotes the preparation of Iowa meats and outdoor cooking. Over 2,000 chefs have competed for the cookout crown as well as other prizes!

### ELIGIBILITY

Any Iowa resident 13 years or older is eligible to participate in the Cookout Contest. Past cookout champions and Farm Bureau or affiliated company employees are not eligible to compete.

### HOW TO ENTER

Interested grillers should contact their county Farm Bureau office for contest information. In order to compete in the Iowa State Fair contest, participants must have competed at the county level and won their category. The county office will submit those winners interested in competing at the state level.

### ENTRY CATEGORIES

Each county may send one entrant per category:

- INDIVIDUAL:
  - PORK
  - BEEF
  - LAMB
  - POULTRY
  - TURKEY
  - COMBO/SPECIALTY A recipe combining two or more meats from the eligible meat categories. Specialty Iowa - Domestically raised meats including venison, goat, fish, etc. excluding wild game.
- YOUTH (13-18 years old as of 08/17/2021)
- SHOWMANSHIP
- TEAM



2019 guest judges Eric Hanson, Ed Wilson and Reynolds Cramer

### CONTEST RULES

- The State entry must be the same recipe that won the local contest.
- The delivery and loading/unloading of all equipment including meat and grill is the responsibility of each contestant.
- Good food handling and preparation guidelines must be followed.

### INDIVIDUAL CATEGORY RULES

- Refer to the Iowa Meat Scorecard for judging criteria (see other side of brochure).
- Only Individual Category winners are eligible to win the title of Cookout Champion.

### YOUTH CATEGORY RULES

- Refer to the Iowa Meat Scorecard for judging criteria (see other side of brochure).
- Youth entries will compete in both the Individual Category and the Youth Category. Youth winner also receives a gas grill from the Iowa Propane Association.

### SHOWMANSHIP CATEGORY RULES

- Refer to the Showmanship Scorecard for judging criteria (see other side of brochure).
- Pre-registration is required in order to compete in the showmanship category.

### TEAM CATEGORY RULES

- Refer to both the Iowa Meat and Showmanship Scorecards for judging criteria.
- A team must consist of 2-4 members.
- Team members are NOT eligible to compete in the Individual Category.
- Teams are encouraged to have a coordinated theme.
- Team members are NOT eligible to win the title of Cookout Champion or the Showmanship Award.

### STATE CONTEST AWARDS & PRIZES

Prizes will be given to the following:

- Iowa Farm Bureau Cookout Champion
- First and second place for each Individual Category
- Youth Category Winner
- Showmanship Category Winner
- Team Category Winner

### IMPORTANT DATES

**May – August:** County Farm Bureau Cookout Contests (refer to [www.iowafarmbureau.com](http://www.iowafarmbureau.com) for dates and locations)

**August 06** Deadline for county Farm Bureau to submit State entries

**August 09:** Mailing of contestant packets

**August 17:** Annual Cookout Contest

- 8:00 a.m. Registration

- 10:00 a.m. Judging begins

- 12:00 p.m. Announcement of Winners

### FOR MORE INFORMATION

Contact your county Farm Bureau office or Lavonne Baldwin at:

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