

2012 Great Lenexa BBQ Battle Presented by SureWest Frequently Asked Questions

Can beer/alcohol/coolers be brought in?

Beer and refreshment concessions are available. Visitors may not bring in their own alcohol or coolers. Exception: food in a cooler necessary to maintain food quality. All coolers will be inspected at the entry gate.

Are dogs allowed?

No dogs, except service dogs.

Can I ride my bike or bring my skateboard?

No bikes or skateboards are allowed in the park during the contest.

Are golf carts or other motorized vehicles allowed?

No. For the safety of others, golf carts, Segways, scooters or any other form of motorized transportation is not allowed. Exceptions are wheel chairs or other equipment needed for persons with disabilities.

What time are teams allowed to check in?

Teams can bring large items on Thursday, June 21, between 5 p.m. and 9 p.m. Teams can check-in on Friday, June 22, between 7 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Will free samples be available from the teams?

Teams are not required to give samples. On Friday night, contestants hold private parties and samples are not usually available unless you are invited. Free samples, provided by Lenexa Hy-Vee, will be offered Saturday at noon until gone, at the SureWest booth near the main stage.

How much is the entry fee?

\$5 on Friday, \$1 on Saturday

Who has to pay?

Anyone 13 years and older.

Where does the money go?

All monies collected (team fees, sponsorships, gate receipts) go towards the costs associated with the festival.

How many teams are competing in the contest?

180

Who is providing concessions and what will be provided?

There are a variety of concessions available. Lenexa Hy-Vee will be selling BBQ; Lions Club will sell beer, soda and water. Other vendors will be announced soon.

What band is playing and when?

Billy Ebeling & The Late For Dinner Band (Rock N Roll, Blues and Country) will play on Friday night from 7:30 to 11 p.m., and on Saturday from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m.

Where should I park?

Free shuttle parking is available at City Hall (87th & Monrovia) and at 95th & Lackman.

When do the shuttles run?

The shuttles run approximately every 10 minutes from 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. on Friday, and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday.

Where is handicapped parking?

Cedar Ridge Church (88th & Lackman). Shuttles from the City Hall and 95th & Lackman are handicap accessible.

Where are port-a-potties?

Several locations are available throughout the park; check the event map for specific locations.

What children activities will be there?

Arts and crafts, inflatable bounce house, roving entertainment and more.

What are the hours of the children's activities?

Friday, June 22 from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. and Saturday, June 23 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

How much do children's activities cost?

FREE

When do judges report?

Judges report at 11 a.m. on Saturday.

Do judges have to pay to enter?

No, entry stickers will be provided to judges ahead of time.

When does judging begin for the different categories?

Judging begins at noon on Saturday.

What are the different categories?

The categories are Grand Champion, Reserve Grand Champion, 3rd Overall and 10 places in seven different meat categories: Brisket, Pork Ribs, Chicken, Pork, Sausage, Whole Animal and Miscellaneous.

When is the awards ceremony?

The awards ceremony will begin after the final judge's scores are tallied – typically around 5 p.m. Awards are announced at the main stage.