

2024 SOUTHEASTERN YOUTH FAIR WATCH ME GROW BBQ CONTEST

- **COORDINATOR:** Laura Kilbury (352) 875-0544
- **ENTRY DEADLINE/IMPORTANT DATES:** Refer to the Calendar of Events for all important dates

This is a hands-on activity for 5 – 7 year old 4-H members to learn about the BBQ Contest.

1. The SEYF General Rules & Regulations apply to this contest.
2. There will be no Food Safety Class. It is your responsibility to review the rules.
3. An adult 21 years or older must accompany the child through the entire contest (can be parent/guardian or any mentor of choice). This is for safety reasons, however the project should be mostly done by the exhibitor.
4. ALL EXHIBITORS MUST BE ENROLLED IN 4-H BY November 4, 2023.
5. All exhibitors must be 5 to 7 years old as of September 1, 2023.
6. All contestants are to cook **HOTDOGS** as their food item.

SHOW DAY

7. All contestants must report to the contest site no later than the check-in time.
8. Contestants must furnish all supplies, i.e. grills, fuel (either gas or charcoal), all food and display items.
9. Each contestant will be required to have an "A-B-C" fire extinguisher on hand. (This is not a brand name, but a type of extinguisher that is for use for several types of fires.)
10. Contestants and their adult are to set up their actual contest area.
11. It is recommended that each contestant use only one (1) table approximately 4' x 6'. However, if necessary, two (2) smaller tables will be acceptable. **It is required that you confirm your entry by January 31! Tables will be assigned for all entries confirmed – any entry not confirmed will not be guaranteed space to participate.**
12. Grills may be covered or uncovered.
13. The cooking will begin at 1:00pm. This show is scheduled in conjunction with the SEYF Dave Baillie BBQ Contest.
14. Contestants are permitted to clean their respective areas at the conclusion of their individual judging. Trash bins will be provided.
15. ALL contestants are REQUIRED to stay in their assigned area.

JUDGING

16. Each contestant must submit one (1) serving per judge to be judged for doneness, taste and appearance. The presentation of the finished product(s) will be considered as well. Contestants should keep in mind that the judges will taste each product – therefore, the portions served to each judge should be of appropriate size, in other words- a sample, not an entire meal.
17. After each contestant's product has been officially judged, you will be dismissed. All contestants will earn the first ever Watch-Me-Grow BBQ Contest ribbons.

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