



**57th Annual
Texas Rice Festival
Rice Cooking Contest
Saturday, September 26, 2026**

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

<u>AGE DIVISION</u>	<u>FOOD CATEGORY</u>
☐ *JUNIOR (13 & UNDER)	☐ APPETIZER
☐ *SENIOR (9 TH – 12 TH GRADE)	☐ VEGETABLE OR SIDE
☐ ADULT	☐ MAIN DISH
☐ SR. ADULT (50 & OVER)	☐ DESSERT
*SCHOOL OR ORGANIZATION REPRESENTING _____	NAME OF DISH _____ _____

I HEREBY SUBMIT AN ENTRY IN THE TEXAS RICE FESTIVAL RICE COOKING CONTEST AND AGREE TO ALL RULES AND GIVE PERMISSION FOR USE OF MY RECIPE BY THE TEXAS RICE FESTIVAL.

Signature

Date

ATTACH RECIPE BELOW – USE ADDITIONAL PAGE IF NEEDED.

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The Texas Rice Festival is proud to announce the 2026 Rice Cooking Contest. This contest has been held since the festival began in 1970. The winning recipes are published in our Program & Cookbook each year and have become a collector's item. The contest will be held on Saturday, September 26, 2026, at the Winnie Community Building (located at the South end of the Winnie Park) in Winnie, Texas. There is no cost to enter your favorite **RICE** recipe. Come be a part of Texas Rice Festival history.

Rules & Regulations:

1. The Rice Cooking Contest is open to anyone interested in preparing a dish using **RICE**.
2. **Amateurs only**. No professional chefs, restaurant operators, dietitians or home economists are allowed to enter the contest.
3. Contestants may enter one recipe per category with a separate entry form for each entry.
4. Dishes must be prepared at home and ready to serve upon entry. Contestants must provide a method of maintaining proper serving temperature.
5. Recipes must be printed or typed and attached to the entry form. Recipes must list all ingredients in the order they are used, as well as preparation and cooking instructions.
6. All entries shall become the property of the Texas Rice Festival, Inc. for the promotion of **RICE**. Winning recipes may be printed in the Official Program & Cookbook.
7. Categories are Appetizers, Vegetable or Side Main Dish, Desserts.
8. Age Divisions are Junior (13 & under), Senior (14/9th grade thru 12th grade), Adult and Sr. Adult (50 & over)

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| ☐ 9:00 - 9:30 a.m. | Entries will be accepted |
| ☐ 9:45 - 11:45 a.m. | Judging of entries |
| ☐ 12:15 p.m. | Awards presentation |

Judging Procedures

Recipes will be judged on the following:

1. **RICE** and/or **RICE** products as one of the ingredients, recipes must include 1 cup raw rice or 2 cups cooked rice or any other rice product.
2. Originality
3. Taste
4. Appearance

Awards

- ☐ Each category will be awarded 1st place medallion, 2nd and 3rd place rosette, and honorable mention.
- ☐ There will be Silver Platters for Grand Champion & Reserve Champion
- ☐ Special awards include, Most Creative, Most Unusual, and Best Presentation