

37th ANNUAL BLUE RIBBON APPLE PIE CONTEST RULES

Chairman: Diane Shirk - ext. 1515

Received: Monday, Week of Fair - 3:00-8:00 P.M.
Where: Fair Building

RULES:

- Open to any individual **amateur** baker who is a resident of Lancaster County or contiguous counties. One entry per person.
- Entrants may NOT have won 1st place in this Blue Ribbon Apple Pie contest at any other fair in 2025.**
- The Apple Pie, including fillings and crust, must be **made from scratch with edible ingredients.** No pre-packaged ingredients may be used. Any decorations must be edible.
- Recipe **must include at least 60% apples in the filling.** It does not need to be a "traditional" two crusted apple pie, and it can have a variety of fillings.
- The entire pie must be submitted for judging in a food safe disposable pie pan. *(All pans, plates and dishes are considered to be disposable and will not be returned.)*
- The Pie entry and its recipes will become the property of the Fair or PA Farm Show and will not be returned.
- The recipe for the pie and pie crust must be submitted with the entry. It should be submitted on one side of 8 1/2" x 11" sheets of paper. The recipe must list all the ingredients, quantities and the preparation instructions. Entrant's name, address and phone number must be printed on the back side of all the pages.
- Refrigeration is not available at the Fair or PA Farm Show. Entries that require refrigeration after baking must indicate so in the recipe. Those entries will not be sold, auctioned or otherwise distributed for consumption after judging for food safety reasons.
- Judging will be based on the following criteria:

Flavor	35 points
Filling (consistency, doneness, moistness & flavor)	25 points
Crust (color, flavor, texture, doneness)	20 points
Overall Appearance (surface, shape, size, color)	15 points
Creativity	5 points

Creativity is essential to a varied competition. Do not limit your entry to a "traditional" two crusted apple. We are looking for a variety of fillings in the pies; pie must include at least 60% apples in the filling.

FAIR PRIZES:

**1st - \$25.00; 2nd - \$15.00; 3rd - \$10.00
4th - \$5.00; 5th - \$5.00**

*First Place Winner is eligible for the
2026 PA Farm Show competition.*

*Premiums for the 2026 PA Farm Show competition:
1st - \$500; 2nd - \$250; 3rd - \$100*

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Angel Food Cake Contest

Chairman: Diane Shirk - ext. 1515

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Where: Fair Building

Rules

- Open to any individual **amateur** baker who is a resident of Lancaster County or contiguous counties. One entry per person.
- Entrants may NOT have won 1st place in this Angel Food Cake contest at any other fair in 2025.**
- The Cake and any Fillings and Frostings must be **made from scratch with edible ingredients.** No pre-packaged ingredients may be used. Any decorations must be edible.
- The recipe should include eggs that were produced in Pennsylvania, if possible.
- The entire cake entry must be submitted for judging on **cardboard or other food safe disposable setting.** *(All pans, plates and dishes are considered to be disposable and will not be returned.)*
- The Cake entry and its recipes will become the property of the Fair or PA Farm Show and will not be returned.)
- Recipe(s) listing the ingredients and the preparation instructions must be submitted with the entry *(printed on one side of 8 1/2" x 11" size sheets of paper)*. Entrant's name, address and phone number must be printed on the back of all the pages.
- Refrigeration is NOT available at the Fair or PA Farm Show. Entries that require refrigeration after baking must indicate so in the recipe. Those entries will not be sold, auctioned or otherwise distributed for consumption after the judging for food safety reasons.
- Judging will be based on the following criteria:

Flavor

(aroma, taste, good balance of flavorings) 40 points

Inside Characteristics (texture & lightness) 30 points

Overall Appearance

(surface, shape, size, color) 20 points

Topping, Icing, Decoration

10 points

Fair Prizes:

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4th - \$5.00; 5th - \$5.00**

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