

Laredo International Fair and Exposition

February 25 – March 1, 2020

57th Annual



Rules and Regulations

Baking, Canning, and Sewing

Adopted December 10, 2019

**BAKING/CANNING/SEWING
GENERAL RULES**

1. COMPETITION

Competition is open to any Middle School or High School student who is actively enrolled and in good standing of a 4-H, FFA, or any other Career and Technology Education (CTE) club of a school system that competes at L.I.F.E. Exhibitor(s) must have individually or with the members of the club/chapter built the project(s) in Webb County in accordance to the rules and regulations set by the Laredo International Fair & Exposition.

2. SCHOOL STATUS

Students who have graduated, dropped out of school, are enrolled in a Disciplinary Alternative Education Program (DAEP) or a Justice Juvenile Alternative Education Program (JJAEP), or are not enrolled in school in Webb County are ineligible to participate.

3. LIMIT OF ENTRIES

3.1 Enter a total of two exhibits

3.2 Show only two exhibits which include Livestock, Poultry, Rabbits, Welding/Woodworks, Baking/Canning/Sewing.

3.3 Sell only one exhibit in the Auction or Silent Auction.

4. EXHIBITORS

Exhibitors in the Baking, Sewing, and Canning will be divided into the following grade levels:

Middle School	6 th – 8 th grade
High School	9 th – 12 th grade

5. SALE FEE There is a maximum 5% sale fee on all Baking/Canning/Sewing projects sold at the Silent Auction. Only the Grand Champion products from each category will be sold at the Silent Auction.

6. ENTRY FEE An entry fee must be paid with an entry card and delivered by the County Extension Agent (CEA) or Agriculture Science Teacher (AST). Entry fees must be paid by Cashier's Check, Postal Money Order, School District Check, or 4-H Club Check. Personal, Family or Business Checks will not be accepted.

<u>Division</u>	<u>Fee</u>
Baking	\$30.00
Canning	\$30.00
Sewing	\$30.00

7. ENTRY CLOSING DATE All entry cards and fee must be at the L.I.F.E. office by 5:00pm on or before February 7, 2020.

8. ENTRY CARDS

The entry card must have the name of the exhibitor, Recipe Category, Name of FCCLA organization, 4-H Club, FFA Chapter, Signature of sponsor of the FCCLA organization, 4-H Club or FFA Chapter, and Signature of Parent/Guardian.

9. AUCTION The Grand Champion Baked/Canning/Sewing Products will be sold through a Silent Auction on Saturday, February 29, 2020 at 9:30 am in the Auction Barn.

BAKING DIVISION SPECIAL RULES

BAKING CATEGORIES:

1. Cakes
2. Pastries
3. Pies (non-refrigerated)
4. Breads
5. Cookies
6. Candies
7. Bars/Brownies

RULES

1. All Baking entries become the property of L.I.F.E.
2. All Baked Products must be produced by the exhibitor.
3. An entry that does not qualify under a category will not be accepted.
4. Exhibitors are limited to 1 entry per category, not exceeding 2 total entries at L.I.F.E.
5. Baked products must be delivered to LIFE Peterson Exhibit Barn on Wednesday, February 26, 2020 between 8:00 am and 9:30 am. No late entries will be accepted.
6. Judging of the Baked entries will be by category and age group and will be held Wednesday, February 26, 2020 starting at 10:00 am.
7. All entries must include a recipe card. Recipe must be written on a 4x6 index card. Entries without a Recipe Card will be disqualified. Do NOT put exhibitor's name on the Recipe card or container.
8. All products must be submitted in a disposable container with a lid not to exceed 10"x14". All recipes must fit in the disposable container.
9. No entries requiring refrigeration will be allowed.
10. No non-edible embellishments or garnishes may be used.
11. No alcohol may be used in any recipe.
12. All Baked products will become property of the L.I.F.E. Baking competition and will be sold to the public after judging on Wednesday, February 26, 2020.
13. Ribbons will be awarded to the first 3 places in each category. These ribbons will be awarded according to merit of the entry. When there is no competition, entry will be awarded to merit of entry.
14. Grand Champion winners will be awarded to the best entry from all divisions in each category.
15. Ribbons will be awarded at the time of the announcement of placings. Participants not present can pick up their ribbons at the LIFE office.
16. All baked entries will be sold after the awards are presented Wednesday, February 26, 2020.

AUCTION The Grand Champion Baked Products will be sold through a Silent Auction on Saturday, February 29, 2020 in the Auction Barn.

Recipe Card must include:

1. Recipe Name
2. Ingredients and measurements
3. Directions
4. Pan Size
5. Temperature for Baking
6. Baking time required
7. Garnishes (list items used)
8. Yield (if applicable)

Do NOT write exhibitors name on the Recipe card.

CANNING SPECIAL RULES

CATEGORIES

1. Pickles and Relishes
2. Jelly or Jam
3. Salsa

RULES

1. All canning entries become the property of LIFE.
2. All canned products must be produced by the exhibitor.
3. An entry that does not qualify or fall under a category will not be accepted.
4. Exhibitors are limited to 1 entry per category, not to exceed two (2) total entries at L.I.F.E.
5. Each entry is a collection of 3 canned products from the same batch.
6. Canned products must be delivered to the Peterson Building on Wednesday, February 26, 2020 between 8:00am – 9:30 am. No late entries will be accepted.
7. Judging of canned entries will be by category and held on Wednesday, February 26, 2020 starting at 10:00 am.
8. Canned entries must be preserved within a calendar year of show.
9. Canned entries **MUST** be displayed in a sealed canning jar or other vacuum sealed container provided by exhibitor.
10. Three sealed jars or vacuum sealed containers **MUST** be provided. All jars or containers **MUST** have a label with:
 - a. The type of food it is.
 - b. The date of canning clearly marked,
11. Jars or containers with broken seals will not be judged and will be disqualified.
12. All canned entries must be submitted with a Recipe card.
13. Processing must properly seal all products including jelly. Water baths must be used for fruits. No wax seals allowed. Any jar **NOT** properly sealed will be disqualified.
14. Never invert jars of preserves after filling. Due to serious health and safety concerns for the judges and the general public, preserves sealed by inverted jars are banned from all competition.
15. Only one canned product will be judged for taste. The collection of 3 canned products will be judged for uniformity, good color, proper seal, and quality.
16. Ribbons will be awarded to the first 3 places in each category. These ribbons will be awarded according to merit of the entry.
17. Ribbons will be awarded at the time of the announcement of placing's. Participants not present can pick up their ribbons at the LIFE office.
18. There is a maximum 5% sale fee on all auction items.
19. All Canned products will be sold after the awards are presented Wednesday, February 26, 2020.

AUCTION The Grand Champion Canned products will be sold through a Silent Auction on Saturday, February 29, 2020 at 9:30 am in the Auction Barn. The exhibitor's must auction their collection of the two remaining unopened canned products.

RECIPE CARD:

1. Recipe name
2. Ingredients and measurements
3. Recipe directions
4. Temperature
5. Canning method

SEWING SPECIAL RULES

CATEGORIES

1. Quilt/Comforter/Throw/Wall Hanging
2. Household items: pillows, placemats, tablecloth/runner, etc.
3. Clothing: male or female apparel
4. Embellishments: enhancement on any garment, which must include some machine or hand stitch work.

RULES

1. All sewing products must be produced by the exhibitor.
2. An entry card that does not qualify or fall under a category will not be accepted.
3. Exhibitors are limited to 1 entry per category, not to exceed two (2) total entries at L.I.F.E.
4. Sewing products must be delivered to the LIFE exhibit barn on Wednesday, February 26, 2020 between 8:00am – 9:30 am. No sewn products will be received after 9:30 am.
5. Judging of the sewing products will be by category and will be held on Wednesday, February 26, 2020 at 10:00 am.
6. All sewing products must be made by the exhibitor within the past 12 months.
7. Articles must be finished, clean, and sanitary.
8. All exhibits must be covered in a clear dry cleaners' bag or a clear covering to protect items from the elements. Larger items must also be on a hanger.
9. Sewing entries will be required to provide an entry page with a brief description of the instructions of the project and a minimum of 1 close up photo of the product being made.
10. Ribbons will be awarded to the first three places in each category. These ribbons will be awarded according to merit of the entry.
11. Ribbons will be awarded at the time of the announcement of placings. Participants not present can pick up their ribbons at the LIFE office.
12. There is a 5% sale fee on all auction items.
13. The Grand Champion products will be sold at the silent auction.
14. All sewing products must be picked up 5:00 pm on the day of the sewing competition.
All sewing entries that are not picked up will become the property of LIFE.

AUCTION The Grand Champion Sewing products will be sold through a Silent Auction on Saturday, February 29, 2020 at 9:30 am in the Auction Barn.