

July 2023

Dear Apple Pie Contestants,

Thank you for agreeing to bake an apple pie for this year's contest. The money raised at the pie auction goes to the 4-H Youth Committee Fund to finance trips, conferences, camps and awards for 4-H members. It basically finances the entire 4-H program in our county for one year. Your pie entry is very much appreciated.

**The baking schedule has been linked to the Westfair 2023 web page.** If you need to come at a different time that should not be a problem. If you are doing a pie with a partner, you will tell them at the check in table, so both partner's labels can be attached to the tin, bag and envelope.

**We will be making pies at the Underwood Middle School on Thursday, July 20<sup>th</sup>.** The Middle School is adjacent to the Elementary at 601 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Underwood, IA 51576.

**Please note these rules:**

All 9" disposable pie pans **will be provided**.

Champion and Reserve Champion Pies will be selected in each division: Senior, Intermediate and Junior.

Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion will be selected from this group.

Premium Point Value: 3 points

The apple pie contest is open to all 4-H members and is limited to one entry per individual or team (teams may consist of only two members). Contest will be held prior to fair and pies will be frozen until the auction.

1. Girls or boys must be enrolled as a West Pott County 4-H member.
2. Pies will be made under supervision of the contest superintendents.
3. Ingredients may be pre-sifted and measured.
4. Fresh apples must be used. Apples may be peeled prior to the contest. Pies must be traditional **2 crust pies** (no lattice, or crumb top crust pies). Crust must be made on site.
5. Bake in a 9" disposable aluminum pie pan as it will be auctioned later (pan is provided day of baking).
6. Bring your own equipment to work with.
7. The superintendent and assistants will assume responsibility for baking all pies.
8. Each entrant will be responsible for cleaning his work area.

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9. The judging area is open to superintendents and assistants only. **NO PARENTS ALLOWED IN BAKING AREA.** A waiting area will be provided for parents. Superintendents and volunteers will be on hand to help younger members.
10. All pies (including the top six Champion and Reserve pies) will be auctioned to the public. Proceeds will go to the 4-H Fund.
11. Enclosed is an equipment list that will give you a start on what you need to bring to the contest. You may find there are some things you need to add to the list.

We are looking forward to seeing you on **Thursday, July 20<sup>th</sup> at Underwood Middle School.**

Good luck to each of you!

Contact Jenny Vincent at the Extension Office if you have any questions at 712-366-7070 or [jenvin@iastate.edu](mailto:jenvin@iastate.edu).

Apple Pie Superintendents: Diane Huddle/Julie Fischer

Celebrate 4-H this Summer,

Jenny Vincent  
West Pottawattamie County  
4-H County Youth Coordinator

### **SUGGESTED EQUIPMENT LIST**

- \* Pre-measured ingredients for crust and filling
- \* Strainer for draining apples or peeler if preparing at the contest
- \* Pastry cloth or board, rolling pin, or waxed paper
- \* Extra flour for rolling dough
- \* Knife for trimming crust
- \* Bowl for mixing crust and filling
- \* Fork/or pastry wheel if you use for finishing crust edge
- \* Pastry blender or fork for cutting shortening into flour
- \* Tablespoon for measuring liquid
- \* Pastry brush if glazing top crust
- \* Towel and wash cloth to clean your area.
- \* Bring your "I can do it-this is kind of fun attitude"