

## ***The Smoke & Soul Fest 2024 KidsQ Rules***

1. The supervising adult should allow the child to make their own decisions; however, they can coach verbally. Remember that this should be fun for the child and allowing the child to make their own decisions is part of the experience.
2. A supervising adult must be present with the child during the entire cooking competition and may help with cutting, preparing or maintaining the heat source, or anything deemed dangerous. The supervising adult may also assist with checking the final temperature of the protein to ensure food is cooked to a safe temperature for consumption.
3. Entries may contain toothpicks or skewers to hold food items together, if necessary. NO GLASS allowed in submissions.
4. Garnish – Garnish on the bottom and/or around entry is not required but may be used if desired. If it is used, any form of greenery is acceptable.
5. Garnish should not cover over the entry in any way to prevent viewing of the entry by judges.
6. Kids Que entries will be judged on Appearance, Taste and Tenderness. The order of tie breakers is Taste, Tenderness, Judges Preference.
7. All entries should be fully assembled for judging, a clam shell container will be provided at the event.
8. The child must do the preparation, cooking and presentation. This means that the child should be able to put his/her own protein on the grill/smoker, turn his/her own protein on the grill/smoker, remove the protein from the grill/smoker, and do all garnishing (if garnish is being used).