

2017 PA PREFERRED™ Junior Baking Contest COOKIES, BROWNIES and BARS

The goal of this *NEW* PA Preferred Junior Baking Contest is to highlight Pennsylvania agriculture by featuring locally grown grains, fruit and vegetables as well as locally produced dairy products and eggs in the contest entries.



RULES:

1. Participant must be an individual amateur baker (*age 8 through and including 18 years old*) who is a Carbon County or West Penn Township, Schuylkill County Pennsylvania resident. One entry per person.
2. **Entrants may NOT have won 1st place in the PA Preferred™ Junior Baking Contest at any other fair in 2017.**
3. Entry must be a plate of six (6) individual sized portions of the baked entry item
4. Entries must be made from scratch. Pre-mixes are not acceptable ingredients
5. **PA Preferred®** ingredients must be used in recipe. A comprehensive list of acceptable products will be available on the PA Preferred website. Recipe are to include three (3) out of the five (5) items listed here:
 - a. *Grains such as flour or oats*
 - b. *Fruit such as peaches, apples, or berries*
 - c. *Vegetable such as zucchini or carrots*
 - d. *Dairy such are milk, cream or butter*
 - e. *Eggs*
6. Entry must be submitted for judging on a food safe disposable setting. (All pans, plates and dishes are considered disposable and will not be returned.)
7. Recipe(s) must be submitted with the entry, printed on one side of 8-1/2" x 11" paper. Recipe must list all ingredients, quantities, and the preparation instructions. PA Preferred ingredients are to be identified in writing as "PA Preferred" along with the **brand name** in the recipe (*ex. PA Preferred Eggs – Weis brand; PA Preferred Milk – Galliker's brand; PA Preferred Berries – Strite's Orchards*). Entrant's name, **age**, address and phone number must be printed on the back side of all the pages. PA Preferred™ product labels should be attached to separate paper with your name on the back side. (All recipes and cookies-brownies-bars will become the property of the Fair or PA Farm Show and will not be returned).
8. 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 Criteria

Flavor (<i>aroma, taste, good balance of flavorings</i>) -----	30 points
Texture (<i>appropriate for the type of cookie, brownie or bar</i>) -----	25 points
Inside Characteristics (<i>even grain, evenly baked; free from air pockets</i>) -----	20 points
Outside Characteristics (<i>uniform size, shape, appearance; overall appeal</i>) -----	15 points
Creativity -----	10 points
TOTAL -----	100 points

Premiums: 1st (\$30) 2nd (\$25) 3rd (\$20) 4th (\$15) 5th (\$10)

*First Place Winner is eligible for the 2018 PA Farm Show competition.
Premiums for the 2018 PA FARM SHOW competition: \$500, \$250, \$100*

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