



Lincoln County 4-H Cupcake Wars

Monday, July 31, 7 p.m.

4-H Building, Lennox

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Individual Competition

Contestant Name: _____

Age Division: Bg. Jr. Sr.

Mystery Theme: _____

Pairs Competition

Pairs will compete in one division.

Contestant Name 1: _____

Contestant Name 2: _____

Mystery Theme: _____

Contact the 4-H Office to draw for your mystery theme. You are responsible for bringing all of your ingredients, utensils, bowls & pots, baked cupcakes, serving dishes, etc. Please provide 1 copy of the recipe. Use the Cupcake Wars Rules and 4-H Special Foods Handbook for guidelines.

If you have questions, please contact the office at 605-764-2756 or lincoln.county@sdstate.edu.

Prizes will be awarded to first place in each division: beginner, junior, senior, pairs.

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Rules

Compete either as a pair or individual.

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1. Register as a pair or as an individual.
2. Contact the Lincoln County 4-H Office for the Mystery Theme that they MUST incorporate into their display. Contact the 4-H Office immediately for your theme.
3. Each team/individual will create a display for the cupcake judge. Pairs must prepare at least 12 cupcakes. Individuals must prepare at least 6 cupcakes.
4. Cupcake can be made from scratch or a box mix and must be made by the competitors.
5. Each pair/individual will bring "naked" cupcakes. The cupcakes should have NO frosting and be in paper wrappers only.
6. Each pair/individual will bring the frosting mixed in bowls unless they feel that they can make the frosting in the 45-minute time limit. The frosting should not be tinted prior to the contest. Pairs/individuals will tint and place in frosting bags, if needed, at the contest.
7. Additional display decorations may be used as long as the size does not exceed 28-inches-by-30-inches, however, there is no minimum or maximum height for the display. Displays can be as creative as you want. Items can be homemade or purchased (think thrift stores).
8. Cupcake decoration can be homemade or purchased. Purchased items need to be sanitized at home and transported in sterile bag or container.
9. Each pair/individual will be assigned to a table that will be divided into a preparation and display area. Space will depend on how many competitors sign up.
10. Each team will have 45 minutes to frost and decorate their cupcakes and prepare their display prior to the presentation.
11. Electricity is available at the contest. Extension cords are provided if needed.
12. Each pair/individual must provide their own equipment and decorating tools. Washcloths are a requirement to wipe down the prep space.
13. Food safety: Practice proper food safety. Hair must be pulled back and be covered with a hat, scarf or hair net. Wear an apron.
14. All decorating and assembling the display must be done by the competitors. After the display is judged, individuals will present 1 cupcake to the judges. Extra cupcakes can be shared at the end of the competition.
15. Each pair/individual must clean up the preparation area at the end of the competition.

Lincoln County 4-H Cupcake Wars Scoresheet

Name: _____

Circle: Bg. Jr. Sr.

Theme: _____

<p>Cupcake Presentation & Decoration: How pleasing is the cupcake to the eye? Are the icing colors appropriate for the flavor? Does the cupcake have flair and originality? How creative are decorations?</p>	<p>_____/25</p>
<p>Cupcake Display: Does the display follow the chosen theme? Is it sturdy?</p>	<p>_____/25</p>
<p>Frosting: Flavor, type, texture Does the frosting complement the cake? Is there enough for each bite?</p>	<p>_____/15</p>
<p>Cake: Moistness, flavor, texture Ingredients were used to enhance the flavor of the cupcake. Cupcake has a nice crumb texture. Flavors mesh well; not dry, burnt or underdone.</p>	<p>_____/10</p>
<p>Bite-ability What is the cake-to-frosting ratio? Does the ratio impact the ability to take a complete bite?</p>	<p>_____/10</p>
<p>Ease of Access: Is it too hard to get the wrapper off and when you do, does the cake hold together?</p>	<p>_____/5</p>
<p>Able to finish in 45 minutes</p>	<p>_____/5</p>
<p>Presentation & Cleanliness: How well do you present yourself to the judge? Speaking, eye contact and personal grooming. Is the display clean and tidy?</p>	<p>_____/5</p>
<p>Total Score</p>	<p>_____/100</p>