



## "GREAT AMERICAN STATE FAIR" CHALLENGE

Each day of the N.C. State Fair presents a new cooking challenge for our contestants who dream up their own recipes, prepare them at home and bring them to the N.C. State Fair for critique by a panel of judges...but only one can take home the coveted blue ribbon.

The State Fair is as American as Apple Pie, Ice Cream and Fireworks. In celebration of the 250th Birthday of our country and celebrating The Great American State Fair, we are looking for a new twist on some old state fair staples, such as corn dogs, funnel cakes, cotton candy, etc. create what might be the next state fair food.

### Entry Deadline:

Monday, September 15, 2025

### Cash Prizes

1st Prize: \$500

2nd Prize: \$300

3rd Prize: \$200

Home Chef Challenge is held in the Dorton Arena North Lobby. Check-in at contest site at least 30 minutes prior to contest start time. Each contestant will receive a Parking Pass for Lot C off Trinity Rd. at Carter-Finley Stadium. There is a free shuttle service to the fairgrounds. You will want to get off the shuttle at the second stop (Gate 3) which is the closest stop to the competition.



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11 a.m. WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22