



Chili Classic

ENTRY FORM

FILL THIS OUT IF YOU INTEND TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CHILI CLASSIC OR SALSA CONTEST.
VENDORS, PLEASE SEE SEPARATE **VENDOR APPLICATION** at K1053.COM

Saturday, September 27, 2025

Downtown Jackson | See Entry Form, Timeline & Details Page 2-3

REQUIREMENTS PER MCKIBBIN MEDIA GROUP & THE JACKSON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT:

- All food prep, cooking & combination of ingredients must be done on-site AFTER Health Department inspection & approval.
- This is an outdoors event – to protect food, all contestants must be underneath a canopy or tent. All tents must be weighed down.
- Must bring your own portable **gas cooking device**, ingredients, pots, cookware, utensils, canopy/tent.
- Must prepare at least 10 gallons of chili for the Chili Classic to be eligible for prizes.
- Must prepare at least 5 gallons of salsa for the Salsa Contest to be eligible for prizes.
- All foods and ingredients being used must be brought in original store packaging. Spices, seasonings and sauces may be previously opened, as long as they are still in original packaging and not expired.
- Meat must remain at or below 41 degrees prior to cooking.
- At least one of your cooks must attend a mandatory online cooks' meeting to be hosted prior to the event, or verify that they have read and understand the rules of the contest.
- Booths may not be used for political reasons.



CASH PRIZES!



Trophies and cash prizes will be given to the winners of each category! Subject to change based on participation.

JUDGE'S CHOICE CATEGORIES (Blind Taste Test)

- 🔥 Amateur
- 🔥 Professional
- 🔥 School
- 🔥 Salsa

PEOPLE'S CHOICE CATEGORIES

- 🔥 Best overall chili
- 🔥 Best overall salsa
- 🔥 Best booth



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| Business Name | | | | Team Name | | |
| Contact Person | | | | Phone | | |
| Email | | | | | | |
| CATEGORY | <input type="checkbox"/> Amateur | <input type="checkbox"/> Professional | <input type="checkbox"/> School | <input type="checkbox"/> Salsa | | |
| Do you need electricity? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No | | | | |

Electricity access is in extremely short supply downtown. McKibbin Media Group will provide generators only for a limited area. Please plan on bringing a **long** extension cord and sharing available power supplies with others. You are responsible for taping down or otherwise securing your extension cord.

PARTICIPATION FEE: \$50.00

Send check or money order to: **McKibbin Media Group, 1700 Glenshire Dr., Jackson, MI 49201**
Cancellation Deadline: September 6, 2024. Cancellations after this date will not receive a refund.

I have read the Chili Classic Application Packet and agree to abide by the contest rules and guidelines stated therein.

Signature

Date

See page 3 for further details



Welcome to the 5th annual K105.3 Fall Fest & Chili Classic, a continuation and expansion of the long-standing K105.3 Chili Cook-Off. This FREE community event will feature a variety of family-friendly fall activities and live music on 2 stages in downtown Jackson. Chili tasting wristbands will be sold for \$5.00 each starting at Noon. More details as they become available will be posted at K1053.com/fallfest and announced on K105.3 FM.

TIMELINE

Subject to change – see K1053.com/fallfest for latest info

- 7:00 a.m. Chili & salsa contestant setup begins – you will receive more details
- 10:00 a.m. Cooks' meeting and Health Department inspection begins
- 12:00 p.m. Event opens to the public
- 2:00 p.m. Chili tasting and judging begins
- 4:00 p.m. Chili tasting ends OR when the majority of chili runs out
- 4pm-6pm Chili awards followed by live entertainment

SUPPLY LIST

K105.3 will supply you with:

- 🔥 One 8' table
- 🔥 10'x10' space (approx.)
- 🔥 Tasting cups
- 🔥 Serving ladle

Here are some things we suggest bringing that will help you get through the day!

- 🔥 Trash bags
- 🔥 Paper towels / cleaning products
- 🔥 Water jug for rinsing
- 🔥 Extra tables
- 🔥 Folding chairs
- 🔥 Cooler with ice for your cold ingredients
- 🔥 Weights for your tent – REQUIRED

Questions:

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