

# 2021 NINE MILE APPLE DESSERT CONTEST RULES

October 9, 2021 11:00am-2:00pm

Nine Mile Community Center

1. The term *dessert* means the sweet course eaten at the end of a meal, which can apply to many confections, such as biscuits, cakes, cookies, custards, gelatins, pastries, pies, puddings, and tarts, to name a few. However, this dessert must contain/be made up of at least 35% apple, in any form or manner, and/or be the main ingredient.
2. The entry fee is \$10.00 and is limited to the first 25 contestants. To enter the Apple Dessert Contest please send a \$10 check made-out to the NMCC, along with your name, address and email/phone, noting that it is for the Apple Dessert Contest, mailed to the NMCC, P.O. Box 1061, Frenchtown, MT 59834 or contact Shannon Stalpaert (360) 632-2587 or Jule Van Hise (406) 626-2535. In addition, indicate the type of dessert you will be entering in the contest. Limit one apple dessert per household. Entries must be submitted no later than October 5th. There will be awards for *First* and *Second Place* and a *People Choice Award* will be given out at 1:00pm. The winners may also be featured in a future Nine Mile Community Center Newsletter. Also, contestants will receive one FREE lunch/dessert ticket for the event.
3. All ingredients must be pre-cooked, pre-baked and/or pre-assembled and ready to eat prior to the beginning of the contest.
4. Please make enough apple dessert to serve 18 individuals. The dessert may be cut (if applicable) and served on small plates. If making cookies or such, please make at least 36 cookies to equal 2 cookies per serving.
5. Contestants are responsible for the maintenance of the dessert's proper temperature for serving, if required. However, cold or hot "toppings", such as ice cream or hot fudge, are not recommended. Small plates and utensils will be provided by NMCC.
6. Each contestant will list the ingredients of their dessert (in no particular order or amounts) on an index card to be displayed, in order for the public to know it's content pertaining to food allergies. Do not place your name on the index card.
7. Each contestant is responsible for setting up promptly by 10:45am, and for cleaning up their area at the end of the day and removing all items from the area. No items shall be allowed to remain after the close of the Apple Dessert Contest.

## Judging

The public will select the *People's Choice Award* by placing their dessert ticket in a box in front of each entry. The box with the most tickets at the end of the contest will win the *People's Choice Award*. A panel of three judges (selected by the NMCC) will award the First and Second Place winners at the conclusion of the event. The judging will start promptly at 10:45am. The competition will be blind judged (no one knows the identity of the contestant).

Best of Luck.