

4-H Cupcake Wars



OSU EXTENSION
OTTAWA COUNTY
4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

Virtual Contest

4-H Cupcake Wars is a contest for 4-H members to practice their culinary, creativity, and presentation skills.

Divisions: The age and grade will be as of September 1 of the current 4-H year.

- Cloverbud: ages 5-8, or Kindergarten-2nd
- Junior: 3rd (and 8 yrs. old)-5th grade
- Intermediate: grades 6th-8th
- Senior: grades 9th-12th

Deadlines: Sign up by April 30 & Final entry due May 3rd-May 14th.

Sign Up: Participants must sign up by April 30. Sign up by providing Name, Club, Grade and Contest Name by email to ottawaco.extension@gmail.com or by calling the Extension Office at 918-542-1688. An entry form is on the extension.okstate.edu/Ottawa website, but you do not have to use the entry form to enter. We will need the publicity release section of form completed by entry deadline.

Contest Guidelines:

- Contestants may have 1 entry in their division.
- Contestants will submit a picture of their final product and (2) videos for judging competition.
- Participants will be responsible for purchasing their own ingredients.
- Members will start with three pre-baked “naked” cupcakes. The cupcakes should have no frosting and be in the paper wrappers only.
- Members can use icing or fondant, either homemade or store bought.
- Icing should not be tinted with color prior to contest. You may start with vanilla or chocolate icing.
- Fondant can be purchased tinted (colored) or may be tinted prior to contest.
- Only edible items can be used on the cupcakes. Purchased items are allowed.
- Select a theme and/or name for cupcakes. Three cupcakes should be presented as a group. They can each be decorated the same or different but should relate to theme/name.
- **Video 1: Preparation** – no longer than 10 minutes. Introduce yourself and show yourself decorating the three cupcakes.
- **Video 2: Presentation** – no longer than 5 minutes. Show your final product, share the name of your cupcakes, two major nutrients, food preparation skills used, and food safety practices you followed.
- **Judging:** Cupcakes will be judged on theme representation, neatness, technical difficulty, creativity, and safety.
- **Creativity** will be a part of the scoring and can be shown in a variety of ways.
- **Attire:** Clean apron/chef’s coat, closed toe shoes, and hair coverings (and long hair tied back) are required.
- **Kitchen Safety:** Demonstrate and follow proper kitchen safety while preparing your cupcakes.

PLEASE NOTE: Others may assist with videoing but should not coach, assist with preparation, etc.

To Enter:

- **Submit picture and final video entry anytime between May 3rd-May 14th.**
- Submit entry by email to ottawaco.extension@gmail.com or through Facebook Messenger – Ottawa County OSU Extension. Include Name, 4-H Club, & Grade with entry.
- Please check with the Extension Office to make sure your entry was received.

If you need help with video, make arrangements 1 week prior to the deadline with the Extension Office.

Awards: The Danish system of awarding each entry a blue, red, or white award will be used. Plaques will be awarded to the top two entries in each division.

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