

Mac & Cheese Cook-Off

44th Annual Endless Mountains Maple Festival

Do you make the best mac & cheese in the Endless Mountains?

Enter our annual Mac & Cheese Cook-Off and compete for prizes, bragging rights, and community fun!

Event Details

Date: Sunday, April 26, 2026

Location: Alparon Community Park, Troy, PA

Registration Deadline: Friday, April 17, 2026

Divisions & Categories

Divisions

- **Open Division**
- **Junior Division (15 & Under)**

Categories (All Divisions)

- **Traditional** – Classic, homestyle mac & cheese
- **Creative** – Unique flavors and imaginative add-ins

Teams may enter **one or both categories**.

Entry Fees

- **Open Division:** \$5 per category entered
 - **Junior Division:** FREE
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Gate Admission

- **All teams receive two (2) Maple Festival gate admission tickets**
- **Additional gate admission tickets may be purchased for \$7 each**
- Gate admission tickets **do not include rides**

Team Requirements

Open Division

- Individuals or teams of any size

Junior Division

- Teams may include **up to three (3) youth under age 15 and one (1) adult supervisor (18+)**
 - An adult supervisor must be present at the table at all times
 - Adults may supervise **for safety purposes only** during cooking and serving
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Prizes

Open Division

- 1st Place – \$25
- 2nd Place – \$15
- 3rd Place - \$10

Junior Division

- 1st Place – **2026 Troy Fair Entry Tickets for all junior team members**

Best Table Display (All Divisions)

- \$25 and **two (2) 2026 Troy Fair Entry Tickets**
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Cook-Off Guidelines

- Entries must be **prepared in advance**
- Each team must bring **at least 6 cups** of mac & cheese in a crockpot
- Teams must bring their own crockpot, utensils, extension cord, table covering, and decorations
- Electricity, tables, and chairs will be provided
- Setup begins at **10:00 AM**
- Judging begins promptly at **11:00 AM**
- Samples may be distributed **after judging**

Ingredient & Allergen Information

- A complete ingredient and allergen list is **required with registration**
 - The ingredient list must be **clearly displayed at the booth during the event**
 - Ingredient lists **may be stylized to match your table theme**, as long as they are easy to read
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Judging Criteria

Entries will be judged on:

- Aroma
- Appearance
- Taste / Flavor
- Texture

All judges' decisions are final.

Registration & Payment

Send your completed registration form and check to:

ENDLESS MOUNTAINS MAPLE FESTIVAL

436 Gate1 Lane

Troy, PA 16947

Questions? Call **(570) 297-3648**

 **We can't wait to see (and taste!) what you bring to the table.**

Join us for a fun, family-friendly competition at the Endless Mountains Maple Festival!