

OFFICIAL CHURCH BAKE OFF RULES 2025:

PIE SPECIFICATIONS:

- 9-10 in pie
- Fruit filling- any fruit variety, or fruit combination
- Must have a homemade pie pastry crust bottom
- Must have a pie top (no toless pies). Top may be pastry, crumb or streusel only. No meringue or other such topping, however creative they maybe be
- Must be made from scratch -No store bought crusts or fillings (or full pies for that matter!)
- Must be made entirely by the participating contestant
- Should not need to be refrigerated or have refrigeratable elements
- Pie should NOT be pre-cut
- Must bake and bring ONE pie (no longer need two pies as in previous years)

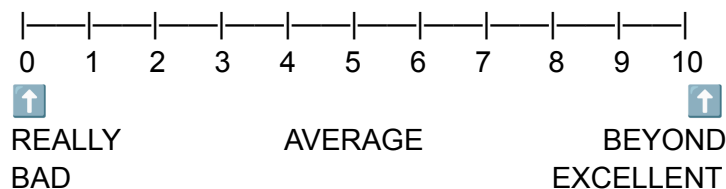
JUDGING CATEGORIES:

- Overall Appearance-** visual aesthetics, appetizing appeal, and well executed design
- Crust-** (bottom crust + top crust or crumb top)
flavor, texture and doneness- pastry is flakey and delicate without falling apart too easily or crumbling; if crumb top, evenly distributed surface layer, crisp, not soft or clumpy; pastry/crumb is usually a mild, but pleasant flavor to compliment the filling; no odd aftertaste; melts in your mouth; light golden color, baked throughout and even thicknesses on all sides, sealed edge
- Filling-** flavor, consistency, moistness and doneness- nice aroma with pleasant, uniform flavors; ingredients taste fresh and are well balanced and complimentary, not overpowering; smooth uniform components, appealing color, and a nice aftertaste; well defined fruit - good size, evenly distributed and a firm, but not overly crisp, texture
- Overall Pie Flavor-** cohesiveness, merriment of ingredients all together; both filling and crust together as a whole; both flavor and texture

CONTESTS:

•**Contestants' Choice-**

Each category will be scored using a 10 point scale:



•People's Choice-

Judged by panel, using a "Top 5" rating system:
Top 5 pies ranked 1-5, with 1 being the best

•Almost Too Glorgeous To Slice

•Rookie of the Year

ENTRY TIME:

****Pies MUST arrive by 2:45pm, but are encouraged to come earlier if possible. Event starts at 2pm. Judging starts at 3pm.**

ENTRY AGE:

7th Grade Girls- Adult Ladies

Please contact Manda Bogers at 951.500.6276 with any questions.