

4th ANNUAL Battle for Life BBQ 2024 Competition Facts

The Battle for Life BBQ started in 2021 as a way to spread suicide awareness and prevention in the local communities. We are making a difference! In 2021, Wayne County ranked 3rd highest in Missouri for suicide death. As of 2024, we are ranked # 12. That's a huge improvement! Surrounding counties have also decreased suicide death in past years! Thanks for everything you do to help spread the message and save lives!

1. This is an open series sanctioned by the SLBS.
2. If there are 10 or more teams competing, this event will qualify for Team of the Year with the SLBS.
3. Meat Inspection will be held from 4pm to 6pm on Friday September 13th, and check-ins will start at 8am Saturday September 14th.
4. Meats judged for the BBQ Competition are Chicken, Ribs, and Pork.
5. Turn in times will be Chicken at 1:00pm, Ribs at 1:30pm, and Pork at 2:00pm. Winners will be announced at 4:00pm on September 14th.
6. Team booth areas are 20 ft. wide and allow parking for only 1 vehicle behind the tent/trailer area. All other vehicles will need to move to the designated parking area. Spaces will be marked and are first come first served. Please plan accordingly so that all teams can be accommodated.
7. You are allowed to set up Friday from 4pm to 6pm, however overnight security is not provided, and we are not responsible for any unattended items.
8. City regulations prohibit consumption of alcoholic beverages.
9. Teams, Participants and Contestants are responsible for the CLEAN UP of their area immediately following the contest. Each team is responsible for keeping the contest area clean before leaving the event. Trash cans and bags will be provided during the event. Teams will be responsible for ash removal.
10. We cannot think of every little detail, but we will try very hard to make your contest experience as enjoyable as it can be. We are very open to polite feedback and suggestions for improvement and use that feedback each year to try to improve. Without your participation, we would have no event and we are passionate about spreading Suicide Prevention Awareness and want this event to grow!

If you have questions about SLBS rules or regulations, please visit St. Louis BBQ Society at <https://stlouisbbqsociety.com/?v=7516fd43adaa>

For event questions or concerns, please contact Carolyn Polk at FCC Behavioral Health at 573-223-4169.

Please follow our FB page for event updates or changes!