

For OFFICE use ONLY!

COTTAGE FOOD

Booth Number(s)

Cash  Card  Check  App received

Booths  110 Plug  220 Plug

  

Payment received \_\_\_\_\_

Food Safety Certification

Amount \_\_\_\_\_

ADPH Review of Label

Menu



## 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Franklin County Watermelon Festival | Russellville, Alabama

August 14 – 15, 2026

Business Name					
Primary Contact Name					
Email					
Mailing Address		Phone			
City		State		Zip	
Description of items to be SOLD (nonhazardous food items, i.e.cookies, cupcakes, freeze-dried candy, etc.) OR Attach List					
Price of Items		High \$	Low \$	Average \$	
Same booth as 2025		Yes	No	New Vendor	
Placement Specifics					
Booth contain enclosed trailer		Yes	No		
Length of Trailer including hitch					
Operating window location		Driver	Passenger		
<b>Trailer including hitch MUST FIT within your booth (if longer than 12 ft., you WILL be charged for an additional booth.)</b>					

<b>HEART of the Festival Cottage Food Booth</b>			
<i>*HEART of the Festival located near Entertainment</i>			
<b>Cottage Food Booth (12' x 12')</b>			
<i>*must submit ADPH Review of Label &amp; Food Safety Course Certification</i>			
One <b>HEART</b> BOOTH Early Bird by 5/20/26	\$425	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
One <b>HEART</b> BOOTH after 5/20/26	\$475	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>LATE FEE after 6/10/26</b>	\$100	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Each additional (adjoining) BOOTH	\$225	x <input type="checkbox"/>	= <input type="checkbox"/>
Electricity (per plug) Specify by circling: 110 volt   20 amp      220 volt   50 amp	\$30	x <input type="checkbox"/>	= <input type="checkbox"/>

**TOTAL DUE**

<b>Cottage Food Booth (12' x 12')</b>			
<i>*must submit ADPH Review of Label &amp; Food Safety Course Certification</i>			
One BOOTH Early Bird by 5/20/26	\$325	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
One BOOTH after 5/20/26	\$375	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>LATE FEE after 6/10/26</b>	\$100	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Each additional (adjoining) BOOTH	\$125	x <input type="checkbox"/>	= <input type="checkbox"/>
Electricity (per plug) Specify by circling: 110 volt   20 amp      220 volt   50 amp	\$30	x <input type="checkbox"/>	= <input type="checkbox"/>

**TOTAL DUE**

**No generators allowed! \*\*\*Be prepared for your assigned PLUG to be at least 75 – 100 feet from your booth.**

**No FULL refunds** will be issued once your application has been processed. A written request for cancellation received by July 10, 2026, will be accepted for a 50% refund. Vendors are responsible for all taxes and fees associated with their activities at the festival. This includes but is not limited to license fees, and federal, state, and local taxes.

The festival will go on RAIN OR SHINE. Please plan accordingly. If the festival must be cancelled for reasons out of the organizer's control (i.e., weather, government-imposed regulations, viruses, and pandemics, etc.), full refunds will not be issued.

ALL returned checks will be charged \$40.

**No outside ice.** All ice will be available to purchase from an on-site vendor (Parked near Grissom Cleaners).

**Water may NOT be given away. ONLY Name Brand sodas are to be sold.**

**A list of all items to be sold and their price is to be displayed prominently by Friday at 6 p.m. and remain throughout the festival.**

**The Franklin County Watermelon Festival/Franklin County Chamber of Commerce cannot guarantee/promise ONE sole vendor the right to sell specific brands/items from multiple, independent consultants and/or direct sales companies (i.e., Pampered Chef, Avon, Mary Kay, Paparazzi, etc.)**

Vendors using gaseous tanks, of any kind, must have them secured properly.

If needed, Vendors are responsible for providing their own light source in addition to streetlamps during evening hours. **Lighting – streetlights may not be adequate.**

**The City of Russellville and Franklin County Emergency Management require sidewalks to be and remain free and clear. Therefore, businesses/vendors are to NOT set up merchandise, supplies, displays, etc.**

All vendors will be responsible for securing items that may be a tripping hazard on all pedestrian and traffic areas (electrical cords, extension cords, ropes/chains used to secure any items associated with your booth).

Service animals are welcome. However, **pets are not allowed.** **For the safety of your pet (extreme heat, loud music/noise, and crowds) and other Franklin County Watermelon Festival attendees, we ask that you leave your pets at home.**

Overnight lodging (camping, sleeping in vehicle, etc.) is NOT permitted within festival parameters. Please make prior arrangements. A list of accommodations will be provided to accepted vendors.

COTTAGE FOOD vendors will be responsible for knowing and abiding by all Alabama Cooperative Extension System rules and regulations. Cottage Food applicants must attend and pass a food safety course approved by the Alabama Department of Public Health. Applicant must register with their local county health department environmentalist's office. Also, labels must be approved by their county health department. Water activity and pH test results, if applicable, must be submitted to their county health department for review. The ADPH Review of Label and Food Safety Course certification must accompany this application.

COTTAGE FOOD vendors **will not** be provided with a water source and/or hose, adaptor, etc. The Franklin County Chamber/The Franklin County Watermelon Festival will not grant permission or access to use any water source within festival parameters.

**A menu (all items to be sold and their price) is to be displayed prominently by Friday at 6 p.m.**

**All vendors are to submit a detailed list of items to be sold.**

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The undersigned agrees to abide by the decision of the Franklin County Chamber and/or the Watermelon Festival Committee to accept or reject this vendor's application. The undersigned does hereby and forever discharge the Franklin County Chamber of Commerce, the City of Russellville, Franklin County Commission, Watermelon Festival Sponsors, individual property owners within festival parameters, and all affiliates from all manner of suit, damages, claims and demands whatsoever in law or equity from loss and damage to the undersigned's property while in possession, supervision or auspices of the above-named agents, board members, volunteers, representatives, or employees. The undersigned will comply with the rules, regulations, deposits, and donation arrangements as set forth in the stipulations for participants. I hereby grant the Franklin County Chamber of Commerce and/or the Franklin County Watermelon Festival permission to use my likeness in photographs, videos, or other digital media in any and all of its publications, including web-based publications without payment or other considerations.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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