

**Hilton Apple Fest  
Apple Pie Contest Application 2026**

We are looking for the Best Homemade Apple Pie in New York State! We will be judging the pies on Saturday, October 3, 2026, at the Apple Fest site, 59 Henry Street, Hilton, NY. Please read the rules and complete the application to participate. In the Adult Division (ages 19 +), the first-place winner will receive \$75 and the second-place winner will receive \$50. The Teen Division is for ages 12 to 18, the first-place winner will receive \$50, and the second-place winner will receive \$25. The Kids Division is for ages 11 years and younger, the first-place winner will receive \$25, and the second-place winner will receive \$15.

**The Rules**

1. This contest is open to all New York State residents except Apple Fest Board Members and residents of their household.
2. Only one pie per contestant will be accepted. Individual applications only. Group applications will not be accepted.
3. The completed application, with a non-refundable entry fee of \$3.00 must be mailed to Hilton Apple Fest Apple Pie Contest, PO Box 1, Hilton, NY 14468 by Wednesday, September 30, 2026.
4. Your homemade pie will need to be delivered to the Ingham Room of the Hilton Community Center, 59 Henry Street, between 8:00 AM and 9:00 AM on Saturday, October 3, 2026. All cars need to be removed from Henry Street by 9:00 AM or will be towed at owner's expense.
5. Each participant will submit one freshly baked homemade apple pie in a 9-inch (approximately) non-returnable pie pan. The pie becomes the property of the Hilton Apple Fest.
6. Each entry will be recorded and a number assigned to the contestant. The number will be placed on the bottom of the pan. No other identifying marks may be made on the pie or the pan. Only the Apple Pie Contest Committee will know the identity of the baker.
7. All pies must be made of New York State grown apples and the name of the apples needs to be recorded at the time the pie is submitted.
8. The pies will be judged according to: 1) appearance, 2) taste, 3) texture.
9. Winners will be announced and prizes awarded on the Main Stage at 4:00 PM on Saturday, October 3, 2026.

If you have any questions, please call 392-7773 and leave a message for the Apple Pie Contest.

Liability Release: As a participant in the Hilton Apple Festival, Inc (Hilton Apple Fest), I agree not to hold the Hilton Apple Fest or the Village of Hilton responsible for any theft, or loss of property, for failure to make a profit from sales of my product(s), and for any personal injury suffered as a result of my participation in the Hilton Apple Fest or from any incident arising from my interactions with exhibitors or persons attending the Hilton Apple Fest, or any and all other incidents which might arise during the Hilton Apple Fest weekend. This release applies to the Hilton Apple Fest, Inc. and its Board of Directors, Officers, staffers, and volunteers.

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**2026 HILTON APPLE FEST APPLE PIE CONTEST ENTRY FORM**

Mail to: Hilton Apple Fest Apple Pie Contest, PO Box 1, Hilton, NY 14468. Please make checks payable to Hilton Apple Fest.

I have enclosed \$3.00 to enter the Hilton Apple Fest Apple Pie Contest. I have read the above rules and will comply. My pie will be delivered to the Apple Fest site (Ingham Room at the Community Center) on Saturday, October 3, 2026 between 8:00 AM and 9:00 AM.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

**For Teen and Kids Division please circle the applicable division:    Teen            Kids**