



2026 ANDOUILLE FESTIVAL FOOD VENDOR APPLICATION

As the 2026 St. John the Baptist Parish Andouille Festival approaches, we are excited to invite you to be a part of this cherished community tradition. This signature event draws nearly 20,000 attendees annually, offering food vendors an outstanding opportunity to showcase their menu items, connect with new customers, and gain meaningful exposure to a large and engaged festival audience.

More than just a festival, the Andouille Festival serves as a leading marketing opportunity where your business can increase visibility and thrive. We would be pleased to have you join us in making the 2026 celebration one of the most memorable yet.

For additional details, please review the attached vendor application. We look forward to the opportunity to work together and celebrate another successful year of the Andouille Festival.

FOOD VENDOR INFORMATION

The Andouille Festival promotes both for-profit and not-for-profit local establishments. All vendors must apply annually for selection; however, returning vendors will be given preference.

To be considered, vendors must adhere to the following:

- A proposed menu, including pricing, must be submitted. Additional information describing your business, organization, and menu items is encouraged but not required.
- Vendors must offer at least two menu items. To support the Festival's namesake and Louisiana's seafood industry, at least one menu item must include andouille. Exceptions are granted for sweets vendors only. Applications that do not include at least one andouille item may not be considered.
- Menu pricing must be in \$1.00 increments, with a maximum price of \$12.00 per food item.
- To maintain a diverse selection of offerings, duplicate menu items are not permitted.
- Vendors must be on-site and ready to sell at the opening of each Festival day and remain open through the close of each day in accordance with Festival hours. Failure to comply may jeopardize future participation.

Deadline

Applications will be accepted from Monday, July 6, 2026, at 8:00 a.m. through Friday, August 7, 2026, at 4:00 p.m. All applications must be submitted online during the designated application period.

Applicants will be notified of their application status by Friday, August 14, 2026, by close of business.

There will be a mandatory Food Vendor meeting for all selected vendors.

Fees

There is no application fee or security deposit required at the time of application submission. If your vendor application is selected for the 2026 Andouille Festival, the Andouille Festival Committee will contact you regarding all required fees and deposits.

Selected vendors must submit a \$250 security deposit and a \$525 booth fee, for a total of \$775, by Monday, August 24, 2026, at 10:00 a.m.

Vendors who fail to submit payment and the security deposit by the deadline will forfeit their booth space.

Booth fees include booth space, water, electrical service, and one table. Security deposits will not be refunded for additional cleanup or for vendors who open late or

close early on any Festival day. Deposits will be returned by Wednesday, November 4, 2026, to vendors who comply with all Festival guidelines.

Selection Process

As part of our continued commitment to fostering long-term partnerships, preference in vendor selection will be given to returning vendors.

New applicants will be considered through a thorough review process and are subject to available space after all renewal applications have been processed.

Booth Space and Tents

Each vendor will be assigned a designated booth space. Booth assignments are determined by the Festival Committee and are based on electrical requirements.

Selected vendors will receive a vendor packet at the mandatory meeting, which will include a festival map identifying booth locations, along with set-up instructions and additional event details.

Signage

The Festival Committee will provide and install a sign for each food booth displaying the vendor name exactly as listed on the application. Festival-provided signage remains the property of the Festival and may not be altered, removed, or modified by vendors. Vendors who alter or remove Festival signage will forfeit their security deposit.

Health Department Requirements

All food vendors must comply with the requirements of the St. John Parish Health Unit and maintain proper sanitary measures and precautions at all times. The Festival reserves the right to inspect booths and require vendors to correct any unsafe or unsanitary conditions.

The Festival Committee reserves the right to close any booth that fails to comply with reasonable and acceptable food safety, handling, and preparation standards.

St. John the Baptist Parish reserves the right to monitor and regulate the appropriateness of all booths, vendors, displays, and activities.

FESTIVAL RULES & REGULATIONS

General Rules

1. St. John the Baptist Parish retains the exclusive right to sell Official Andouille Festival artwork, souvenirs, and merchandise during the Festival. Vendors may not sell items containing the wording "St. John the Baptist Parish Annual Andouille Festival" or any variation thereof, including but not limited to "Andouille Festival," "Andouille Fest," or "Annual Andouille Fest."
2. Vendors may not sell or distribute products that directly compete with Festival sponsors.

Booth Operations

3. The Festival is a rain or shine event.
4. Booth spaces will be assigned by the Festival Committee and are final.
5. Vendors may not sublease or share assigned booth spaces. Unauthorized subletting or sharing may result in removal from the Festival.
6. Each booth will receive four vendor passes and two parking passes for access to the vendor parking area. Vendors are responsible for coordinating pass usage among staff, volunteers, and workers.
7. Vendors are expected to maintain adequate inventory to operate during all required Festival hours.
8. Vendors are responsible for providing their own cash/change, if applicable. Change will not be provided by the Festival.
9. Prices for all menu items and merchandise must be clearly displayed and visible to patrons.
10. Active solicitation outside of assigned booth space is prohibited.
11. Amplification devices, boom boxes, and roaming/walking vendors are prohibited.
12. Animals are not permitted within the Festival grounds.
13. Products depicting political campaigns, drug paraphernalia, pornography, or statements/materials that may offend or demean any individual or group are prohibited. Vendors found in violation may be required to remove such items and/or leave the Festival without a refund.
14. Vendors are responsible for keeping their booth space and surrounding area clean and free of litter. All garbage must be properly disposed of each night in designated disposal areas.

Electrical

15. Electricity (110 amps) is available for all food booths. Vendors requiring electricity must indicate this on their application. Vendors are responsible for providing their own heavy-duty extension cord (12- or 14-gauge, minimum 100 feet) and duct tape to safely secure cords.
16. If electricity cannot be provided by the Festival, whisper-quiet generators only will be permitted with prior approval.
17. Food vendors may be subject to inspection by the local electrical inspector at any time.

Setup & Breakdown

18. Vendor setup will begin on Friday, October 16, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.
19. Vendors are required to remain open during all Festival operating hours:
 - Friday, October 16, 2026: 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.
 - Saturday, October 17, 2026: 11:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.
 - Sunday, October 18, 2026: 11:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
20. Breakdown will begin on Sunday, October 18, 2026, at 8:00 p.m. Vehicles may enter the Festival footprint only after law enforcement determines the area is safe and clear of pedestrians. Vendors who dismantle displays or depart before Festival closing on any day will not be permitted to return and will forfeit their security deposit.
21. Booth spaces must be fully cleaned and cleared by Monday, October 19, 2026, at 12:00 p.m. (noon).

Taxes

22. Vendors are solely responsible for collecting, reporting, and remitting all applicable sales taxes to the appropriate taxing authority.

Security

23. Limited overnight security will be provided. However, St. John the Baptist Parish and the Andouille Festival assume no responsibility for loss, theft, or damage to vendor property.

Indemnification

The undersigned agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the Andouille Festival and its directors, officers, employees, agents, and representatives from and against any and all liability, loss, costs, claims, demands, attorney's fees, expenses, suits, or judgments arising solely from any act, failure, or omission of the undersigned, including those of its directors, officers, employees, agents, or representatives, in connection with participation in the Festival.

Signature _____ Print Name _____ Date _____

Food Vendor Application – 2026

Business Name: _____

Contact Person: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Were you a food vendor during the 2025 Andouille Festival? YES ☐ NO ☐

Social Media Handles: _____

Business Classification (Please select one)

☐ Restaurant

☐ Caterer

☐ Non-Profit

☐ Individual

Menu Selection

Please list at least 2 [menu items](#) below that you wish to sell. Preferred menu items include at least 1 Andouille dish. Exceptions are granted for sweets booths only.

Item	Price
(Andouille Dish)	
1. _____	_____
2. _____	_____
(Louisiana Seafood Dish)	
1. _____	_____
2. _____	_____
(Other Festival Dishes)	
1. _____	_____
2. _____	_____

Electrical Needs

Please list the volts, amps, and watts for all equipment. This information is listed on the label of any piece of equipment. To ensure adequate event power, please make sure this information is accurate.

Items to be plugged in	Volts	Amps	Watts

