

THE GREAT PUMPKIN PALOOZA

Rules & Regulations

1. The Great Pumpkin Palooza is a pumpkin carving contest being held on Thursday, October 26, 2023 from 4 - 7 PM at Turtle Pond. **Participants must check-in between 3:30 – 4:15 PM** on the day of the event.
2. Pre-registration is required to participate in contest. **Pre-registration is due by Friday, October 20, 2023 at 11:59 PM.**
3. Participants are limited to teams of two. Primary Pumpkineer (carver/decorator) must be at least 18 years old, Assistant Pumpkineer (carver/decorator) must be at least 12 years old.
4. Participants will have 1 hour 30 minutes to carve/decorate and stage their pumpkin before judging.
5. Prizes will be awarded for Most Creative, Most Technical, and People's Choice. Most Creative and Most technical winners will be decided by a pre-selected panel of judges. People's Choice winner will be decided by spectator ticket votes.
6. Safety gloves will be provided by the 88th Force Support Squadron for those wishing to use them while carving their pumpkins.
7. Designs must be family-friendly. Designs are subject to removal if deemed inappropriate.
8. Do not write or display your name on your entry. All teams will receive an identification number.
9. Main part of entry must be a pumpkin. Only pumpkins provided by the 88th Force Support Squadron are eligible for use.
10. The 88th Force Support Squadron will provide a variety of carving tools and décor items for use by participants.
11. Participants may bring outside carving tools. Carving tools must be non-powered and handheld. Carving tools must be pre-approved by the 88th Force Support Squadron prior to the start of the event during check-in times. Use of non-approved carving tools will be subject to disqualification.
12. Objects, material, and paper of any kind may be glued or pinned to pumpkin. Participants may also draw and paint on pumpkins. Participants may bring outside objects, material, and paper to decorate their pumpkins.
13. The 88th Force Support Squadron is not responsible for any lost or damaged items nor will the 88th Force Support Squadron be responsible for returning items brought in by participants.
14. By registering, participants agree to allow the 88th Force Support Squadron to use photos and videos for any legitimate purposes.
15. Event, rules, and regulations subject to change.

For questions, contact 88fsscommunityprograms@gmail.com or (937) 257-8505.