2027 CRAFT VENDORS RULES & REGULATIONS

New for the 2027 Festival: Our booth price is $200 for 15x15 space in the main arts and crafts area with electric. We are offering an early bird discount of $25 if you submit your application and payment of $175 by February 28, 2027.

It is required that craft vendors provide their own weights for their tents. A minimum of 40 pounds per tent leg is required to protect you, your products, and your neighboring craft vendors, as well as visitors to the festival.

The festival is located on the grounds of Ellwood City's beautiful Ewing Park neighborhood and is easily accessible for local residents as well as visitors attending from afar.

Our Festival offers an environment that is **SMOKE FREE** and **PET FREE (**unless a service dog is needed).

FESTIVAL HOURS: Daily 10:00 am – 09:00 pm

Craft Booth Hours Daily 10 am - 8 pm, but booths are encouraged to remain open until 09:00 pm.

The flag raising and the National Anthem will take place at the entertainment stage each day at 10 am Please have your booth ready for patrons at that time. The festival is open to the public from 10 am. until 9 pm on Friday and Saturday and Sunday. Craft booths must be open from 10 am to 8 pm but may stay open until Festival close time. The day of the fireworks will be announced when they are finalized but are likely to be Sunday.

All booths must remain open until 8:00 p.m. on Friday, Saturday and Sunday but are encouraged to remain open until 9:00 pm.

PLACEMENT:

The Festival Committee designates the placement of all vendors. *Those who participated in the previous year's festival will be given approximately the same location if registration is received by April 15, 2027.* However, we will continue to take applications until all spaces are filled. The committee CANNOT GUARANTEE any specific location to any vendor. Booths must be open every three days of the festival. The grounds will be open for set-up *beginning at 8 a.m. on Thursday, July 1, 2027.* **No early set-ups!**

PARKING & PARKING PASSES:

No vehicles will be permitted access to the park without a permit during the festival.

YOU WILL RECEIVE 1 FREE PARKING PASS FOR EACH SPACE IN YOUR PACKET WHEN YOU CHECK IN AT THE RED, WHITE AND BLUE INFORMATION BOOTH ON SET-UP DAY. All food vendors/craft vendors will be issued ONE parking pass per space for the vendor parking area located along Riverside Drive. This pass can also be used in the 3-day long-term parking pass for the area located on the back loop of the park. (**Please note that vendor parking spaces are limited and are available only on a first come, first serve basis. Additional parking lots are available throughout the Ewing Park area. Cost is $5 per car.) Parking passes are not transferable. All parking passes must be displayed on the front dash on the driver's side.

All motor homes and vehicles requiring overnight accommodations will be required to pay $50 for three days (payment must accompany application). A pass will be issued for the motorhome and must be clearly displayed. Motor homes will not be permitted to remain in the arts and crafts parking lot along Washington Avenue and Riverside Drive.

ALL BOOTHS ARE NON-REFUNDABLE AFTER JUNE 1, 2027.

ELECTRICITY:

Electricity is provided throughout the festival grounds at the rates listed on the registration forms. In addition, 220-volt service is available only to those food vendors who had 220-volt service last year.

INSURANCE:
All applicants expressly agree to release the Borough of Ellwood City and the Ellwood City Arts, Crafts, Foods & Entertainment Festival, Inc., and their agents from all liability for injury, damage, or loss to persons or property. **All novelty food vendors are responsible for (and must provide documentation) current product liability insurance, and Department of Agriculture license.** Please submit insurance policy and license with application; we must have the insurance before the first day of the festival, which is Friday, July 2, 2027.

CHILDREN'S AREA:
Child-oriented attractions and participation arts and crafts projects for children will be located in the children's area of the park.

CRAFT VENDORS:
We ask that the following rules be observed. Please read and retain for your records.

1. A minimum of 75% of booth items must be handmade/handcrafted, original in concept work ONLY.
2. All participants are required to send in photos of completed work, along with their application.
3. No retail, wholesale, flea market, imports, collectibles, consignment, art/craft supplies, commercially produced kits/merchandise, hobby model items, antiques, baseball cards, etc. are allowed.
4. All photographs, lithographs, etchings, silkscreens, computer-aided or generated or paintings must be original in concept and design.
5. Participants are responsible for providing their own booth display/tent and must keep all components/work within their allotted space.
6. All participants are limited to the show and sales of items listed on the application form. Any additional items must be approved by the festival craft chair PRIOR to the event.
7. Due to the risk of possible injuries, projectile crafts, such as marshmallows, pop and rubber band guns, or novelties such as Glo-Stix, Trix-Stix, fireworks of any type, are not permitted under any circumstances.
8. All sales must be conducted within the participants booth. Strolling vendors are NOT permitted within the park or along the streets outside the park.
9. The collection and payment of sales taxes are the sole responsibility of participants. We urge all participants to obtain a tax number. For more information, PA residents may call the sales tax office in New Castle at 724-656-3203 or your local PA sales tax office.
10. Participants are not permitted to re-assign or sublet their booth.
11. No sales permitted on set-up day.
12. All children's participation items will be permitted in the children's area only.
13. The number of participants in any given category may be limited based on total number of vendors.
14. The festival committee reserves the right to request removal of unsuitable work prior to, or during the festival.
15. Respect and courtesy to vendors and patrons is required. Foul language will not be tolerated. Only 1 warning will be given prior to expulsion.
16. The festival committee reserves the right to expel anyone not complying, without compensation, from the Ellwood City Arts, Crafts, Foods & Entertainment Festival.

The following hotels/motels are all located near the festival site. The Festival Committee has no connection with any of the following and is providing this list for your convenience.

* Beaver Valley Motel, Route 18————————724-843-0630 or 1-800-400-8312
* Park Inn by Radisson, Route 18————724-846-3700 or 1-800-613-1490
*Alpine Inn/Lark Motel, Route 18————————724-846-0953 or 724-846-9820
*Boyer's Countryside Inn, Wampum————————————724-535-3040

Quality Inn, New Castle PA ————————–724-658-7700
Comfort Inn, Butler Road, New Castle————————————-724-658-7700
*Super 8 Motel, Rt. 18————————————724-843-9300
Super 8 Motel, Butler Road, New Castle————–724-658-8849 or 1-800-800-8000
Bear Run Campground, Portersville ————-724-368-3564 or 1-888-737-2605
Rose Point Park Campground, New Castle ——–724-924-2415 or 1-800-459-1561
Chapel Valley Estates Bed & Breakfast Ellwood City————–724-201-0811
*Less than two miles from the Pennsylvania Turnpike, Exit 13
Please note: Participants are permitted to camp overnight in the park for a fee of $100 (see registration form). The showers adjacent to the swimming pool will be open from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. each day, and the porta-johns and restrooms will also be open overnight for your convenience. The Festival Committee provides temporary electric services for campers; please provide your own outdoor extension cords that are at least 50 feet long. Motor homes or trailers that require electric services to run a stove, air conditioner, etc., cannot be parked at Shelter 8, only participants that purchase overnight permits can park in this area.

ELLWOOD CITY ARTS, CRAFTS, FOOD & ENTERTAINMENT FESTIVAL

The festival committee would like to thank you for your cooperation and participation!

July 2,3,4 2027 (Friday, Saturday, Sunday)

SET-UP DATE: Thursday, July 1, 2027, 8 am – 8 pm

YOU MUST CHECK IN AT THE RED, WHITE & BLUE INFORMATION BOOTH TO RECEIVE YOUR PARKING PASSES & VERIFY YOUR BOOTH #.

BELOW YOU WILL FIND THE RULES & GUIDELINES FOR SET-UP DAY:

NOTHING IS ALLOWED TO BE DROPPED OFF PRIOR TO THE SET UP DAY!

All vendors should enter the festival grounds along Joffre Street to the end of Joffre and then turn right to circle the loop.

You may stop along the fence to unload. When you are finished unloading; you MUST move your vehicle to an approved parking area.

POSITIVELY NO DRIVING OR PARKING ON PARK GROUNDS AT ANY TIME!

There will be a wooden stake, with your booth number, in the right-hand corner of each space. THESE STAKES ARE TO REMAIN IN PLACE AND VISIBLE THROUGHOUT THE FESTIVAL…. PLEASE DO NOT REMOVE.

Picnic tables are for use of Festival patrons only…not vendors.

TO BE ANNOUNCED (USUALLY SATURDAY): 10K race—there will be an alternate route into the park that you must use between the hours of 7am—11am. You will be directed by volunteers along the race route.

Please take the time to re-read the rules and regulations POSTED HERE prior to opening day!