



Regional Chopped Competition – 2026

May 1, 2026

San Bernardino Valley College

Lois Carson Building

701 S. Mount Vernon San Bernardino, CA 92410

Competition Timeline

- Arrival: 7:30am -8:00am
 - Assign competition/station number (teams randomly assigned station upon arrival)
 - Receive and review schedule for the day
 - Walk-through facility-tour (bathroom, judging area, Participant area, breakfast/lunch areas)
 - Escort to station for set-up
- Station Set-Up: 7:30-8:10 am
- Cooks Meeting & Judge’s Introduction: 8:15 am
- Competition Start: 9:00 am (staggering turn-in based on number assignment)

Protein - Sea Scallops

Starch - Arborio Rice

Vegetable – Students will have three choices available (these will be revealed in the kitchen, along with the secret ingredients)

Competition Day Schedule	
Arrival & Set-up Time	7:30 AM - 8:10 AM
Cook’s Meeting & Judge’s Introduction	8:15 AM
Competition Begins (Detailed turn-in times, see schedule below)	9:00 AM
Appetizer Display Judging	10:40 AM - 11:25 AM
Main Dish Display Judging	12:15 PM - 12:50 PM
Lunch *Lunch is provided for team members and coaches, courtesy of Workforce SBCSS*	12:20 PM - 1:05 PM
Introduction to Culinary Leaders	1:10 PM - 1:20 PM
Breakout Groups	1:30 PM - 2:00 PM
Closing Ceremonies Opening Comments Judge’s Address Superintendent Ted Alejandre’s Video Address Awards Presentation	2:05 PM

Departure: 2:35 PM

Competition Rotation Schedule			
# of Teams: 6		Total Prep time for Appetizer	45 min
		Total Prep time for Main Dish	150 min
Team #	Start Time	Appetizer Turn-in Time:	Main Turn-in Time:
1	9:00 AM	9:45 AM	11:30 AM
2	9:09 AM	9:54 AM	11:39 AM
3	9:18 AM	10:03 AM	11:48 AM
4	9:27 AM	10:12 AM	11:57 AM
5	9:36 AM	10:21 AM	12:06 PM
6	9:45 AM	10:30 AM	12:15 PM
Deep Clean-up may begin any time after Main Dish turn-in time for that team:			All teams to be completed by 1:10 PM

Regional Chopped Competition Breakout Schedule			
Group	Session	Time	Location
Group A	Food Truck Entrepreneurship	1:30pm-1:45pm	Sunroom Cafe Entrance
	Entrepreneurship in Culinary Arts	1:45pm-2:00pm	Participant Room
Group B	Entrepreneurship in Culinary Arts	1:30pm-1:45pm	Participant Room
	Food Truck Entrepreneurship	1:45pm-2:00pm	Sunroom Cafe Entrance
Educators	Industry Judge Workforce Discussion	1:30pm-2:00pm	Judge's Room
Group A: Teams 1, 2, & 3		Group B: Teams 4, 5, & 6	