



The Great Highwood Pumpkin Fest 2026 Artisan Food Vendor Application

In order to reduce paper use, please note that this application can be filled out on your computer. Save a copy to your hard drive for your records and email it back as an attachment to sydney@celebratehighwood.org.

An "Artisan Food Vendor" is any vendor that samples, serves and/or prepares food items prepackaged or made to order that includes any items on the following list: chocolate confections, popcorn, snow-cones, cotton candy, ice cream, nuts, cheese, baked items, pickled items, and/or specialty non-alcoholic beverages. Artisan Food Vendors are assigned a space within the Pumpkin Fest grounds. **Vendors may not sell alcoholic beverages of any kind.**

Spaces are 10' x 10' and **include electric up to 20 amps**. Note the fee does **NOT** include a tent/canopy or weights. You must provide your own.

Any larger space will be charged an additional fee. This will be strictly enforced.

Vendors are required to provide their own tent/canopy, weights, lighting, heat source and electrical cords, which must be UL approved and outdoor grade.

Additional electric will be provided at a rate of \$50 for each additional 20 amps.

Please see the Vendor Handbook for additional information.

Fee: \$350

Location: Downtown Highwood

Hours:	Friday, October 2:	4 PM – 10 PM
	Saturday, October 3:	12 PM – 10 PM
	Sunday, October 4:	12 PM – 9 PM

Contact Name: _____

Date: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Business Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone #: _____ Cell #: _____

Website/Facebook: _____

Items for Sale

Please provide a comprehensive list of items you intend to sell. This is the information that will appear on various marketing material to promote your products. All items for sale must be pre-approved to prevent duplications between multiple vendors. *(Attach additional sheet if needed.)*

List items:

Booth Size: (10x10 included. \$175 fee for each additional 5' of space) _____

VENDOR SUBMISSION CHECKLIST OF REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

- ✓ **Application** due on or before **Friday, September 18**. Placement is based on ^{returning} vendors and first come first placed spot.
- ✓ **Full Payment** required upon acceptance as a vendor and must be paid no later than **Friday, September 18** Payment not received by 9/18 will be subject to a \$50 late fee.
- ✓ Copy of current **Certificate of Insurance** (COI) showing general liability of at least \$1,000,000 per occurrence, and naming **Celebrate Highwood** and **City of Highwood** as additional parties insured.
Both parties share the same address: 17 Highwood Ave., Highwood, IL 60040.
- ✓ If applicable, a **Lake County Health Department Certificate** associated with the preparation and serving of your food product.

Please e-mail completed application to sydney@celebratehighwood.org to hold a reservation, but full payment must be received by **September 18, 2026** to guarantee placement.

Please note that receipt of payment does not guarantee a placement. Celebrate Highwood reserves the right to accept/reject any submitted application. You will be notified of status after receipt of the application.

Payment Options: CHECK _____ CREDIT CARD _____

Make checks payable to **Celebrate Highwood**. For credit card payments, an invoice will be forwarded to your email address. Please note **a 3% service fee will be added to your credit card payment**.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Email: sydney@celebratehighwood.org

Celebrate Highwood
17 Highwood Ave.
Highwood, IL 60040
Attn: Pumpkin Fest

Please bookmark and check our website for news and announcements: celebratehighwood.org

AGREEMENT OF TERMS

Yes, I would like to participate in **The Great Highwood Pumpkin Fest 2026**, and hereby agree to sell or offer for sale only such items which are listed in the application, and which are of my/our production on the described property.

I/We swear that all information is correct and complete to the best of my/our knowledge. I/We hereby affirm that I/we have read and understand the CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION in the **Vendor Handbook** and agree to abide by all rules that have been established for the operation of the festival. I/We acknowledge full responsibility for all activities and conduct. I/We further acknowledge full responsibility for all activities conducted throughout the term of this permit and agree to hold Celebrate Highwood and the City of Highwood harmless and to indemnify Celebrate Highwood and the City of Highwood from any and all claims arising under this permit. I/We also affirm that I/we carry an insurance policy that will protect against liability and that I/we must carry proof of said insurance when attending the festival. Enclosed herewith is my application.

Printed Name: _____

Applicant's Signature: _____

Date: _____



AFFIDAVIT

The participant assumes all responsibility for and shall bear all liabilities and expenses relating to the products offered for sale. The participant shall save the sponsoring groups, event managers, The City of Highwood, Celebrate Highwood, their successors, agents and assigns harmless from and against and indemnify them for all liability, loss, cost, attorney's fees, expenses or damages howsoever caused by reason of products sold by participant or any act of omission of participant, including but not limited to any injury (whether to body, property, or personal or business character or reputation) sustained by any person to any person or to property, and for any violation of municipal, state or federal laws or regulations governing the products of their sale, which may result from the sale or distribution of the products by the participant.

The participant shall further indemnify sponsors, The City of Highwood, Celebrate Highwood, their successors, agents and assigns from all costs and attorney's fees incurred in successfully defending or prosecuting any dispute regarding a violation of the rules and regulations set forth under this agreement.

I agree to sell or offer for sale only those items listed on the vendor application and approved by Celebrate Highwood. I acknowledge full responsibility for my activities and conduct and those of anyone working in my space at the Celebrate Highwood event and hereby acknowledge receipt of the rules of operation and agree to comply with them.

Business Name: _____

Printed Name: _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____