## Texas Cottage Food Law & Food Handler's Card

Food Safety is in your (clean) hands

Tuesday, Oct. 18, 2016, 9 am to noon

Courthouse Annex, 271 E. Lamar St., Jasper, TX 75951



**Cottage Food Law**: Review and discuss Texas Cottage Food Law, label requirements, what foods are allowed (or not) and why. Baking, canning & more; how to start a business in your kitchen. class is designed for those who sell at farmers markets, festivals or from home kitchens.

**Food Handler's class and card**: learn basic food safety, earn your 2-year Food Handler's card — good anywhere in Texas. This card is the entry level card required for anyone in food service, including those operating a cottage food business, and required even for volunteers, anyone preparing and serving food to the public. This is <u>not required</u> for vendors selling whole fresh produce that the customer is expected to take home, wash and prepare themselves.

The Texas Department of State Health Services accredited food handlers program is recommended for all food service workers to promote food safety. The class is a basic overview of food safety principles and practices that are necessary to be sure you serve safe food. It covers storing foods at proper temperatures, how to avoid cross contamination between things like raw meat and fresh salads, basic hygiene (wash your hands!) and more. You take a test at the end of class and then a certificate is mailed to you.



Please reserve your seat so we have enough handouts;
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