

## Certified Junior Culinarian Secondary Culinary Graduate



The American Culinary Federation (ACF) offers a certification for graduates of the American Culinary Federation Education Foundation (ACFEF) Secondary Certified programs. Students are able to obtain a Certified Junior Culinarian (CJC) certification if they meet certain requirements. The graduating class of 2009 will be the first candidates for CJC.

### **CJC REQUIREMENTS:**

- Graduate from an ACFEF Secondary Certified program
- Pass a National Occupational Competency Testing Institute (NOCTI) written and practical exam. A passing score of 70% or higher is required on the written exam and a score of 75% or higher is required on the practical exam
- No outside work experience is required for the certification

### **SECONDARY CULINARY GRADUATE REQUIREMENTS:**

- Graduate from an ACFEF Secondary Certified program
- The minimum cut score to earn the certificate is 70%. The 70% may be achieved on the written test only or as an average of the written and performance test scores.

### **CJC TESTING NOTES:**

#### ***Fee: Written Assessment Only***

Paper/pencil administration: \$24.00

Online administration: \$18.50

#### ***Fee: Written and Performance Set***

Paper/pencil administration: \$26.00/set

Online administration and performance rating entry: \$21.00/set

These fees are paid directly to NOCTI. Program coordinators will contact and make arrangements with NOCTI to administer the assessments. The NOCTI contact number is 800-334-6283.

The written and practical exams were written by the ACFEF Secondary Committee to meet the knowledge requirements and competencies of ACFEF Secondary Certified Programs.

In the event a candidate fails the written exam, a retest can be requested from NOCTI (additional fee applies). A candidate may apply up to 6 months from their program completion date. Retesting will be done at the discretion of the school's culinary instructor.

The assessment results are to be returned with the Award Request Form.

### **AWARDS:**

- A CJC certificate is available for \$35.
- A Secondary Culinary Graduate certificate is available for \$25.
- If desired, both the CJC and the Graduate certificate are available for \$50.
- A Graduate Patch is available for \$10.

The ACFEF encourages schools to recognize the CJC achievement by honoring students at school awards day, graduation, or at culinary program ceremonies.

Please allow 3 weeks for processing certifications. Awards are mailed via US mail. If special shipping is requested, the school will be responsible for mailing fees.

**Contact Candice Childers, [cchilders@acfcchefs.net](mailto:cchilders@acfcchefs.net), with questions about the ACFEF Secondary Certified program or [certify@acfcchefs.net](mailto:certify@acfcchefs.net) with questions about the CJC certification.**