

# Goose Nest Festival 2025

**Saturday, May 17, 2025, 10 a.m. -7 p.m.**

**East/West Commerce Street, North East Ave and North West Avenue will be closed off at 8 a.m. to regular traffic so vendors can set up their booths.**

## **Goose Nest Vendor:**

The 4th Annual Goose Nest Festival is set for Saturday, May 17th. The Committee is looking forward to a wonderful day packed with food, fun and music. **Goose Nest Festival will not tolerate misconduct of any kind which includes but not limited to altercations, the use of loud and vulgar profanity, fighting and/or disruptive behavior that could potentially lead to violence. If so, you will be escorted off the grounds by 911 Security and Martin County Sheriff Department and charged at the discretion of the Sheriff Department depending on the severity of the crime as well as banned from any future Goose Nest Festivals.**

Attached you will find your vendor application, contract, and hold harmless statement. The sooner we receive your application the better your location will be. We will not hold a booth space by telephone. Please MAIL your application as soon as possible. **If you are a food vendor, you must email or call-in advance to see if your food product will be allowed and return your application within 30 days of emailing in your items. On the 31<sup>st</sup> day, we will free up that item for other vendors. Remember we only allow two of the same chief food types.**

**Please note:** You will receive a parking pass to park your vehicle. Immediately after unloading your equipment, you will have to move your vehicle to an assigned area this to allow other vendors to get to their area to set up. **Also, vendors may not leave the festival early even after you have sold out. Instead, we are asking you to put a closed sign in your booth or window.**

All application forms are also available on the Goose Nest Festival website @ [www.goosenestfestival.com](http://www.goosenestfestival.com)

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Vonetta Porter @ 252 798-0410 or Goose Nest Committee at [goosenestfestival@yahoo.com](mailto:goosenestfestival@yahoo.com) or Abby Mason @ 252-217-0798

Sincerely,

Vonetta Porter

Goose Nest Committee Chairperson

**\*\*\*\* Application Check List: All of these must be returned! \*\*\*\***

1. Vendor Registration Form- properly completed and signed. Please circle your booth type on this form.
2. Vendor signed contract.
3. Hold Harmless Statement or Certificate of Insurance- remember the hold harmless statement must be signed and witnessed.
4. Payment-make money order out to **Goose Nest Committee LLC.**

## Vendor Contract

Please read carefully and return with application to

**Vonetta Porter, PO Box 202, Oak City, NC 27857**

1. Oak City N.C. Goose Nest Festival 2025 will be held Saturday, May 17th. This is an outdoor Festival. In case of bad weather the committee will make a decision whether or not to have a rain date and if so it will be announced at a later date. **NO REFUNDS of any kind bad weather or not.**
2. The Goose Nest Committee reserves the right to make all final decisions.
3. The Goose Nest Committee reserves the right to determine suitability and approval of all items entering festival grounds.
4. No alcoholic beverages will be allowed or sold during the festival.
5. The Goose Nest Committee reserves exclusive rights to the festival name and logo and use thereof and no items may be sold displaying logo without prior permission from the Goose Nest Committee.
6. A certificate of liability insurance form or the completed hold harmless statement must be returned with your application.

### **Rules and Regulations for ALL Vendors:**

1. Only those individuals who fill out the application, pay their fees, provide a certificate or liability, or signed a hold harmless and received by the Goose Nest Committee will be allowed to display and sell.
2. Spaces are provided for the exclusive use of applicants and only for the activity approved by the Goose Nest Committee. **NO LOUD music is to be played at your booth that may interfere with the Goose Nest Committee entertainment the first time you will get a warning & the second time you will be asked to shut down your booth and escorted off the premises by Martin County Sheriff Department and/or by 911 Security.**
3. Both spaces are allocated with 12 x12. The food booth space allocated will be 12 x 12. Both structures must be within the confines of the allotted space. **NO** tables, chairs, electrical cords, etc. will be provided. Exhibitors shall arrange food, art/craft/commercial booths so that it will not interfere or obstruct the view of other booths. Spaces will be assigned to contribute to the overall concept of the festival. The fee covers the entire festival hours on Saturday.
4. Electricity is available on a first-come basis. The Fire Chief/Assistant Chief or the Goose Nest Committee reserves the right to inspect and approve your equipment. You will be limited to one plug-in to a regular 110 outlet and maximum of 15 amps.
5. Any exhibitor who needs to POWER ANYTHING other than lights must bring a generator and specify on the application they will be bringing one. Quiet generators are recommended. Please bring adequate extensions cords and anything else that may be needed so the generator can be in a place that is away from your booth space in the event that it is too loud or a nuisance to neighboring vendors.
6. Exhibitors are responsible for setting up their own booths. This is an outdoor festival. Please come prepared to cover your merchandise in the event of rain.

7. The Goose Nest Committee reserves the exclusive right to separate booths by types of Food/Arts & Crafts/Commercial Display and Non-Profit Organization and Commercial, as it feels in the best interest of the festival.
8. All vendors will be furnished with one parking pass to be visibly displayed in your vehicle window. This pass will allow admittance to the vendor parking area. You will be receiving a parking permit and assigned a booth number upon arrival at the festival.
9. All booths should be attractive.
10. Silly string and poppers or any product of the same nature are allowed **NOT** to be sold during this event.
11. The sale of items that can release projectiles are NOT allowed during this event. Examples: slingshots, blowguns, or paint ball guns, etc. The Martin County Sheriff Department along with 911 Security will be enforcing this as well as the Goose Nest Committee.
12. Please help keep trash in proper receptacles. Vendors are responsible for putting their trash in the containers provided.
- 13. All vendors must return their application forms by April 11<sup>th</sup>. All applications received after April 12<sup>th</sup> will be charged a \$25 late fee. All applications must be received by April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025.**
- 14. NO REFUNDS will be given.**
15. The Goose Nest Committee will not hold any booth space without full payment.
- 16. The Goose Nest Committee, The Town of Oak City or any event sponsor are not liable for any claims for damage, injury or loss arising out of or in connection with use of space or grounds in this festival.**
17. All sales end at 6 p.m. Booths are to be vacated as soon as possible and no later than 6:30 p.m.

### **Food Vendors**

1. The Goose Nest Committee reserves the right to approve all foods. Only two booths offering the same type of food will be allowed. You may not sell any items not listed on your vendor application. The decision of the Goose Nest Committee will be final. All Food Vendors are required to abide by the rules and regulations developed by Martin County Health Department and the Oak City Fire Chief.
2. It is your responsibility to always have a fire extinguisher inside your food truck/booth. No open fires are permitted in the festival area.
3. **If you are late as a vendor and do not arrive at your scheduled time you will be asked to sit at the side until one of the committee members can get you to your spot.**
4. The Goose Nest Committee will provide trash receptacles. Please help keep areas clean and free of debris.

**My signature on the festival rules form verifies that I have read and understand the foregoing contract of participation.**

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Print Name

Signature

Date

KEEP A COPY OF THIS FORM FOR YOUR INFORMATION SEND ORIGINAL BACK

# Oak City North Carolina Goose Nest Festival 2025

May 17th, 2025

## Vendor Registration Form

Inquiries regarding vendor information should be directed to: **Vonetta Porter P.O. Box 202, Oak City, NC 27857** or email at [goosenestfestival@yahoo.com](mailto:goosenestfestival@yahoo.com) All Martin County checks need to be made payable to: **Goose Nest Committee LLC** and mailed to the above address. (All applicants from outside Martin County must have a certified check or money order)

Booth Name \_\_\_\_\_ (as you want to appear on signage)

Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_ Sales Tax # \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

ALL FOOD (INCLUDING DESSERTS) @ \$150.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

NON-FOOD 12 x 12 Booth Space @ \$50.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**\*Limited spaces available. Please call to confirm availability before mailing the application.**

**IMPORTANT NOTE FOR ELECTRICITY USERS:** Electricity is provided primarily for lighting. You will be allowed to use **ONE** receptacle with a 15-amp load. Receptacles are available on a first come first serve basis. You must specify on the registration form **EXACTLY** what you will be using it for and the appropriate amp to use. This will help with the overload of circuits. Anything not listed above will not be permitted. The Town of Oak City will be inspecting the electrical use should arise.

If you need to **POWER ANYTHING** other than lights, you must bring a generator and specify on the application you will be bringing one. Quiet generators are recommended. Please bring **adequate extension cords and anything else that may be needed so the generator can be** in a place that is away from your booth space if it is too loud or a nuisance to the neighboring vendor.

By sending in this registration form and signing the bottom, I agree to hold members of the Goose Nest Festival Committee, the Town of Oak City and Oak City Town Commons harmless.

Signature of Responsible Party: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please read the box below thoroughly if more space is needed then please attach a menu and/or picture of your booth with the items you will be selling. Let us know if you have a tent or a food truck and/or trailer. If you have a trailer let us know if you must keep your trailer attached to it. We need to know the length of your trailer, food truck and if you are leaving your trailer attached to the truck so we can accommodate the space.**

*Use this area to describe in detail what products you be selling and what your food truck or booth will look like (color, size, etc..). If you are a commercial vendor, using a tent or other large construction give the approximate height. You may attach a picture if appropriate.*

# Hold Harmless Agreement

**(If you DO NOT have a certificate of insurance, then this hold harmless agreement must be signed, and returned with your application. Applications will not be accepted without this form unless you have a current certificate of insurance attached with your application.)**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, a vendor at the Goose Nest Festival certifies that I do not have an event insurance certificate. I agree to hold the Town of Oak City and the Goose Nest Festival Committee harmless for any injury or loss of any person or goods from any cause whatsoever. I also agree that the stated organizations cannot be held responsible of any claims for damage, injury or loss arising out of or in connection with the use of the space or grounds I this festival. I affixed my hand on this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

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Signature of Responsible Party

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Printed Name of Responsible Party

**Return this with your application.**