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CELEBRATING THE LOCAL RESTAURANT



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An event ALL ABOUT KC's RESTAURANT INDUSTRY.

Kansas City Restaurant Festival is celebrating its 5th year this October 8, 2025 at Children's Mercy Park's concourse. Owners, Chefs, Sous Chefs, Managers, Line Cooks, Bartenders, Servers, Bussers - are all invited to come out - taste, see, network, win, and celebrate their Kansas City Restaurant Industry; If you are in the industry, you are in! We like to call this event a bit of a "Mullet" approach to a festival. There's a little business (if you want it) with supply chain solutions, locally sourced solutions, savings, and more - paired with a Party 'in the back' (if you want it) which includes music, games like "Beat the Butcher" and all the free food and creative ideas you could want! Explore local and national foods and ingredients, equipment, services, rebates, beverage program ideas, new and local distributor partners - all for restaurants. Sip on a local cocktail or Bier, and most of all - take a couple hours to celebrate KC's restaurants' and their team's moxie, grit and passion for KC Food and hospitality; its well-deserved.

Wednesday, October 8, 2pm-6pm, Children's Mercy Park Concourse

Co-Sponsored by Scavuzzo's Inc and Liberty Fruit

Who Is Invited: Anyone that currently works in the restaurant industry (and their team)

Why this event was created.

WARRIORS - Post pandemic, it was a truth that seemed like a **proud** punch to the gut - the restaurant industry always was, and always will be 100% made up of warriors - beautiful, kind, tough, strong, all types. These kind of warriors deserve a celebration, a shout out, and a day that is theirs. "By giving back with warrior tip-outs, dollars go back into our local economy, strengthening our restaurant community," says Steve Scavuzzo, VP of Sales, Scavuzzo's Inc. "The festival is meant to be that local anchor that demonstrates we want to be there and see area restaurants succeed." KC Restaurant Festival has tipped out 31 Restaurant Warriors in its first 4 years, and plans to round that out with another 12 this year - topping to \$43,000 paid back to people that call a kitchen or dining room their second home.

Anyone can register and nominate a warrior in the industry. Nominations are open until 9/27/24

LOCAL - The desire to buy local is bigger than ever. One reason things aren't sourced locally, is not knowing the option exists. Kansas City restaurants (and beyond) are proud of their city. KC Restaurant Festival is a way to connect the local restaurant industry to the passion and drive found at the same local and independently owned companies in our city!

Please join the event to continue to tell the local story, to support local, family owned restaurants and the entire supply chain within the restaurant industry. An industry that every Kansas Citian experiences and enjoys.

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