The California ProStart® Cup is an electrifying event that puts high school culinary and hospitality management students to the ultimate test.

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Event Details

• CRAF provides students with skills to succeed: leadership, responsibility, teamwork, communication.

• The two-day competition is divided into three events: the BJ’s Restaurants Culinary Cup, the BJ’s Restaurants Management Cup and the Innovation Cup.
  - Culinary competition contestants prepare three courses in one hour using only two butane burners.
  - Management teams develop and pitch a business proposal for a new restaurant concept, including a supporting menu, a marketing plan and a detailed design.
  - Innovation teams must develop and pitch a proposal for a robot, product, app, or software to improve the restaurant industry.

• First-place through fifth-place teams also qualify for scholarships to various culinary and hospitality post-secondary programs.

• Stats: 250 high school students, 30 California ProStart schools, 65 industry experts serving as judges.

• The ProStart Cup includes a College and Career Expo, Trends + Techniques Expo and networking opportunities with industry leaders.

Register online by January 17
$325 per team—includes chef coats/button-down shirts, activities and most meals for 1 teacher, 1 mentor and student team members.

About the California Restaurant Association Foundation
The CRA Foundation changes lives through restaurants. We support more than 13,500 teens each year through ProStart, an innovative training, mentorship, and career exploration program. Since 1981, CRAF has awarded over $2 million in scholarships and grants.

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