



**Josh Evans**  
Executive Chef

Josh Evans was named Executive Chef in May 2023. In this role, he is responsible for driving menu innovation and culinary operations for Cheddar's Scratch Kitchen.

Josh is a seasoned culinary professional with more than 20 years of experience in the restaurant industry. Prior to joining Cheddar's, he spent 12 years on the LongHorn Steakhouse culinary team, where he led menu development, promotions and quality improvements. He first joined the Darden family in 1999 as a dishwasher at Olive Garden and went on to master every position in the heart of the house before departing to pursue his education.



Josh attended culinary school at Johnson and Wales University before earning his Bachelor's degree in Food and Nutrition from Florida State University. He also holds a Master's in Food Science from North Carolina State University.

Josh lives in Orlando with his wife and three children. He is an avid traveler, always looking for his next adventure.

Cheddar's Scratch Kitchen is part of the Darden family of restaurants. Darden owns and operates more than 1,900 Olive Garden, LongHorn Steakhouse, Yard House, Ruth's Chris Steak House, Cheddar's Scratch Kitchen, The Capital Grille, Seasons 52, Eddie V's and Bahama Breeze restaurants in North America.