CUPERTINO UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
PURCHASING/WAREHOUSE DEPARTMENT
10301 Vista Drive
Cupertino, CA 95014

RFP NO. 23-B13-13
Fresh Produce and Services for Nutrition Services

DATE DUE: June 27, 2023 at 2:00 p.m.

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By: Dana Ino
Director, Business Services
NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

RFP No. 23-B13-13

Notice is hereby given that the Cupertino Union School District will receive sealed Request for Proposals (RFPs) for the procurement of the following:

Fresh Produce and Services

RFPs must be received prior to 2:00 p.m. PST on June 27, 2023. RFPs must be submitted in a sealed envelope, with original signatures, marked with the RFP number and title, and returned to:

Attn: Dana Ino
Purchasing & Warehouse Department, Door 10
Cupertino Union School District
10301 Vista Drive
Cupertino, CA 95014

Proposers are responsible for making certain that quotations are received by the proper date and time. RFPs received after the scheduled Submittal Deadline will be returned unopened. **Facsimile (FAX) copies of the proposal will not be accepted.** It is the responsibility of the Proposer to see that any proposals submitted shall have sufficient time to be received by the Director of Business Services before the RFP Submittal Deadline. Late RFPs will be returned to the Proposer unopened.

The District reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals or any combination thereof, and to waive any informality in the RFP process.

Companies interested in proposing may access RFP information online at the District’s purchasing website: [https://www.cusdk8.org/departments/purchasing/bid-opportunities](https://www.cusdk8.org/departments/purchasing/bid-opportunities) or by emailing Nicole Meschi in Nutrition Services (SNS) at meschi_nicole@cusdk8.org.

Dana Ino
Director, Business Services
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL SIGNATURE PAGE
To Be Submitted with Proposal

By signing this, I certify that I am an authorized representative of the Vendor (or individual) and that information contained in this proposal is accurate, true, and binding upon the Vendor.

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PROPOSER CHECKLIST

This checklist is provided as a convenience to assist proposers in ensuring that a complete quotation package is returned. It is not represented as being comprehensive and compliance therewith does not relieve the Proposer of responsibility for compliance with any requirements which may not be mentioned specifically in this checklist. Completed original documents are required; fax or email documents will not be accepted.

All of the listed items must be fully completed and returned to constitute a complete quotation package. It is not necessary to return the checklist with the Proposal.

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Separate Excel Document: Itemized Bid Sheet
Return completed Excel spreadsheet in Excel format on data storage device, which will not be returned

Addenda
Return any addenda released, following instructions on each document.
OVERVIEW OF REQUIREMENTS

The Cupertino Union School District (hereinafter “the District”) seeks to retain a qualified Vendor to provide Fresh Produce and Services, as specified herein, for the Cupertino Union School District Nutrition Services department.

Below are the details of the expectations from the successful Proposer upon receiving the award for this RFP. Successful Proposer must understand and agree to the following levels of service if they are to enter into an agreement with Cupertino Union School District.

The initial term of this RFP shall be for a period of one (1) year beginning July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024, with two (2) one-year options to renew the contract.

1. Failure to meet these specifications shall entitle the District to cancel the contract with 30 days’ notice.

2. This RFP requests a monthly fixed price with allowable economic price adjustments, including both increases and decreases, not to exceed the San Francisco USDA Terminal Market prices. For purposes of award review, price quoted on the itemized bid sheet must be your June 2023 pricing.

3. The District is committed to offering seasonal menu items and purchasing from local farmers whenever possible. Bidders should make an effort to procure and offer California grown produce to schools and indicate these products on price lists and invoices.

4. The District prefers locally grown products whenever possible and has a goal of procuring, at minimum, 50% locally grown and produced. The District’s definition of local includes two tiers: 1) grown within a 250-mile radius from Cupertino, 2) grown within the state of California. If California or U.S. grown product is not available in sufficient quantities to provide affordability, then only products inspected and approved by USDA is acceptable, and must be approved by the Director of Nutrition Services.

5. The District is seeking to:
   a. Ensure that students are receiving high quality produce,
   b. Purchase high quality produce at the best possible price,
   c. Offer more produce that is locally grown,
   d. Utilize the expertise of our produce vendor to incorporate produce items that are in season, through maintained vendor communication regarding produce availability and market conditions,
   e. Utilize the expertise of our vendor to provide training information for our department staff on best practices for purchasing, receiving, storing, and preparing fresh fruits and vegetables, and
   f. Partner with a produce vendor that will provide excellent customer service.
6. During the term of this contract it may be determined that it is in the best interest of the District and California farmers to purchase seasonal, local produce, directly from the farmer or from a secondary vendor, within compliance of state and federal regulations.

7. Partial cases of produce are to be packed in appropriate containers to arrive in a firm, unblemished state.

8. All prepared vegetables are to be vacuum packed in heavy-duty, food-grade plastic bags or containers. All prepared items are required to carry legible, open code dating on each bag to indicate expiration date of item.

9. HACCP Plan or Food Security and Safety Program – Distributor shall follow appropriate handling and storage practices. This will include providing proof of established sanitation procedures and an active pest control program to assure proper information. A copy of the Vendor’s Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point (HACCP) system OR Food Safety & Security Program must be submitted to the District with the RFP documents.

   Distributor shall provide products from manufacturers with a Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point (HACCP) system in place. Additionally, Distributor shall ensure that all products received under this contract shall be prepared, handled, and are stored in accordance with the health and sanitation standards for the county of Santa Clara or local city/county agency in which product was produced, state of California, and/or federal government, whichever is higher.

   In the event of a product contamination issue, distributor shall provide trace-back capabilities for all products to the point of origin.

ANY PRODUCT THAT FAILS TO BE DELIVERED WITHIN THESE PRODUCT QUALITY CONTROL PARAMETERS WILL BE REJECTED.

10. In the event deliveries are not made, which results in loss of reimbursement funds for the District’s meal programs, upon satisfactory agreement between the awarded Proposer and the District, the District will deduct the total lost reimbursement from the supplier’s current invoices.

11. Advanced approval by Director of Nutrition Services must be obtained prior to substitutions being made. Items substituted must be priced as the same as the item the District would normally receive.

12. Quarterly, the successful Proposer shall submit a complete listing with usages of all product purchased by the District.

13. All invoices and statements shall be sent to: Cupertino Union School District, 10301 Vista Drive, Cupertino, CA 95014, and Attention: Nutrition Services.
14. The District reserves the right to add or delete product, increase or decrease amounts, add or delete site locations.

PLACING ORDERS
District staff may place orders via paper order form, telephone, email or online ordering system.

1. All orders will be processed as ordered.
2. Orders will be subject to adjustment.
3. All order discrepancies will be handled between Nutrition Services and Vendor.
4. Credit memos will be included and must have all the information from the original order.

DELIVERY
1. All produce products will be ordered and delivered Monday through Friday and in accordance with the delivery schedule listed below. All refrigerated foods must be stored between 32-40 degrees and must be delivered in a refrigerated vehicle and received at or below 40 degrees.

2. All deliveries will be at minimum one to two times per week to each of the locations listed below. Additional deliveries during the week may be needed. Vendor must be available to make additional deliveries in the week. The District reserves the right to reduce the number of delivery stops throughout the school year.

3. A duplicate of the signed invoice shall be left at each location at the time of the delivery. An itemized monthly statement showing each delivery location must be sent to the District’s Nutrition Services department. Quantities, item descriptions, unit prices and extended amounts must be shown on each invoice; this shall apply to all credits. There are several sites where no Nutrition Services employee will be onsite during the delivery. An invoice must be left for an employee to verify delivery and report complete or any discrepancies to be credited upon arrival at the site.

4. Sufficient time must be allowed at the time of delivery for adequate inspections of the product for quantity and quality. The District reserves the right to reject products delivered in error, not delivered according to specifications, or sub-standard quality or past peak ripeness.

5. Deliveries shall be required at all the locations listed below.
## Delivery Locations

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<td>Sunnyvale, 94087</td>
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<td>19325 Bollinger Road</td>
<td>Cupertino, 95014</td>
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<td>3 Kennedy Middle School</td>
<td>821 Bubb Road</td>
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<td>6151 Rainbow Drive</td>
<td>San Jose, 95129</td>
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<td>6 Stocklmeir Elementary-Central Kitchen</td>
<td>592 Dunhome Way</td>
<td>Sunnyvale, 94087</td>
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<td>7 Nutrition Services Warehouse</td>
<td>10301 Vista Drive</td>
<td>Cupertino, 95014</td>
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INSTRUCTIONS TO PROPOSERS

RULES FOR SUBMITTING RFPs

General – This information to Proposers is in addition to any instructions or conditions stated elsewhere in the Contract Document.

RFPs – To receive consideration, RFPs shall be made in accordance with the following instructions:

Deadline for Receipt of RFPs – RFPs will be received prior to 2:00 p.m. PST on June 27, 2023, after which time RFPs will be opened and checked for completeness. Envelopes containing a RFP must be sealed, prominently marked with the RFP number, RFP title, and name of Proposer, and submitted to:

Attn: Dana Ino  
Purchasing & Warehouse Department, Door 10  
Cupertino Union School District  
10301 Vista Drive  
Cupertino, CA 95014

RFPs/Proposals: To receive consideration, Proposals shall be made in accordance with the following terms:

THE RFP – All items on the “itemized bid form” should be stated in figures, and signatures of all individuals must be in long hand. The completed form should be without interlineations, alterations, or erasures. **Unsigned RFPs will not be accepted.**

“FAX” RFPs – Facsimile copies of RFPs will **not be accepted for formal advertised RFPs.**

RESPONSIBILITY – Proposers are solely responsible for ensuring their proposal is received by the Cupertino Union School District in accordance with the solicitation requirements before the date and time specified in the RFP, and at the place specified. The Cupertino Union School District shall not be responsible for any delays in mail or by common carriers or by transmission errors or delays or mistaken delivery.

ITEMS TO BE SUBMITTED IN RFP:

- Request for Proposal Signature Page
- HAACP Plan or Food Security and Safety Program
- Vendor Questionnaire
- References
- Noncollusion Affidavit
- Proposer's Statement Regarding Insurance Coverage
- Workers' Compensation Insurance Certificate
- Certification Regarding Lobbying
- Fingerprint Clearance Certification
- Equal Opportunity Employment
- Debarment, Suspension, and other Responsibility Matters
- Tobacco-Free Environment
● Drug-Free Workplace Certification
● Itemized Bid Sheet (Excel Worksheet) on data storage device
● Addenda, if any

**PRICES** – This RFP requests a monthly fixed price with allowable economic price adjustments, including both increases and decreases not to exceed the San Francisco USDA Terminal Market prices. For purposes of award review, price quoted on the itemized bid sheet must be your April 2018 pricing. Please submit copies of three (3) current April invoices, from different school districts or customers with delivery to multiple locations, to verify pricing. Awarded vendor shall submit a new price list prior to the start of each month that will be fixed pricing for the month indicated. Partial proposals will not be accepted.

Price and notations must be typed as instructed on the “Itemized Bid Sheet” Excel document. A hard copy of the “Itemized Bid Sheet” document must be submitted with the RFP. A copy of the “Itemized Bid Sheet” document must be saved on a data storage device and submitted with the RFP. This data storage device will not be returned. Prices shall be stated in units and quotations made separately on each item. Where there is a conflict between unit prices and extended prices, unit prices will govern. Where there is a conflict between words and figures, words will govern. When bidding an item that has more than one flavor or shape, please list all flavors and shapes available for purchase on the “Itemized Bid Sheet.”

If during the contract period there should be a decrease in prices of the items bid, a corresponding decrease in prices on the balance of the deliveries shall be made to the District for as long as the lower prices are in effect, but at no time shall the prices charged the District exceed the prices bid. The District shall be given the benefit of any lower prices which may, for comparable quality and delivery be given by the Vendor to any other school district or any other state, county, municipal or local governmental agency in Santa Clara County for products listed herein.

**INK OR TYPEWRITTEN** – All information, prices, notations, signatures, and corrections must be in ink or typewritten. Mistakes may be crossed out and corrections typed or printed adjacent to the mistake and initialed in ink by the person signing the quote.

**ITEMIZED BID SHEET** – Prices must be submitted on the “Itemized Bid Sheet” supplied by the District. Each item specification is described, and a referenced pack size. A hard copy of the “Itemized Bid Sheet” document must be submitted with the RFP. A copy of the “Itemized Bid Sheet” document must be saved on a data storage device and submitted with the RFP. This data storage device will not be returned.

**QUESTIONS REGARDING PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS OR DELIVERY** – Contact the District Director of Business Services, Dana Ino, by email: ino_dana@cusdk8.org or by phone: 408-252-3000 x 61493.

**INFORMED PROPOSERS** – Before submitting prices, Proposers must fully inform themselves of the conditions, requirements, and specifications of the work or materials to be furnished. Failure to do so will be at Proposers’ own risk, and they cannot secure relief on the plea of error.
EXTENSION OF DATE DUE AND/OR TIME – The District reserves the right to extend the date due and/or time when it is in the best interest of the District.

BRAND NAMES – Manufacturers’ names, trade names, brand names, manufacture numbers used in these specifications are for the purpose of describing and establishing general quality levels. Such references are not intended to be restrictive. Bids will be considered for alternative brands that meet or exceed the quality of the specifications listed for any item.

BRAND SUBSTITUTIONS – Bids will be considered for items complying substantially with specifications, provided deviations to the specifications are stated and items are described in detail. When offering alternate products, it is the responsibility of the Proposer to indicate the brand names and manufacture item numbers, and to provide evidence of the equality of the items to the products specified in the solicitation. The Cupertino Union School District will be the sole judge of whether such alternates are equivalent to the items specified. The Cupertino Union School District reserves the right to waive immaterial variations in the specifications.

BUY AMERICAN PROVISION – Pursuant to California Public Contract Code Section 3410 and Title 7, Code of Federal Regulations 210.21(d), a preference to U.S. grown processed foods, produce, etc., will be provided when economically feasible, shall be made by the purchasing agency or its designee. At least 51 percent of the final processed end product must consist of agricultural commodities that were grown domestically. This policy will allow for an exception only in the case when an acceptable product is not available domestically, in which case other countries of origin may be considered for purchase. Upon request, Vendors shall provide certification of the origin of food products.

LOCALLY GROWN AND PRODUCED PRODUCTS – The District prefers locally grown products whenever possible and has a goal of procuring, at minimum, 30% locally grown and produced. The District’s definition of local includes two tiers: 1) Grown within a 250-mile radius from Cupertino, 2) Grown within the state of California. If California or U.S.-grown product is not available in sufficient quantities to provide affordability, then only products inspected and approved by USDA is acceptable, and must be approved by the Director of Nutrition Services.
TERMS AND CONDITIONS

ADDENDUM – Any and all changes to this contract must be made in writing and agreed to by the Cupertino Union School District. Performance by the Vendor will be considered agreement with the terms of this contract.

AGREEMENT – Submission of a signed quote will be interpreted to mean Proposer hereby agrees to all the terms and conditions set forth in all the pages of this RFP. Proposer’s signed quote and District’s written acceptance or purchase order shall constitute a contract.

ASSIGNMENT OF RIGHTS OR OBLIGATIONS – Successful Proposer may not assign, transfer, or sell any rights or obligations resulting from this RFP without first obtaining the specific written consent of the Cupertino Union School District.

ATTORNEY FEES – In the event a suit or action is instituted in connection with any controversy arising out of this contract, the prevailing party shall be entitled to receive, in addition to it costs, such sum as the court may adjudge reasonable as to attorney’s fees and costs.

AUTHORITY OF THE CUPERTINO UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT – Subject to the power and authority of the Cupertino Union School District as provided by law in this contract, the Cupertino Union School District shall in all cases determine the quantity, quality, and acceptability of the materials and supplies for which payment is to be made under this contract. The Cupertino Union School District shall decide the questions that may arise relative to the fulfillment of the contract or the obligations of the Vendor hereunder.

AUTHORIZED DISTRIBUTOR – Successful Proposer must be an Authorized Distributor for the product offered, or with Proposer’s quote, Proposer must submit documentation from an authorized distributor from whom Proposer has purchased the specified materials or equipment. Said documentation must state that the distributor will honor all manufacturers’ warranties.

AWARD – The District intends to award a one (1) year contract with the possibility of two (2) one (1) year extensions to the Proposer offering the most advantageous proposal after consideration of the Evaluation Criteria set forth below. The District will evaluate all proposals received in accordance with the Evaluation Criteria. The Cupertino Union School District shall not be obligated to accept the lowest priced proposal, but will make an award in the best interests of the Cupertino Union School District after all factors have been evaluated.

Following receipt of Proposals, Proposers shall be ranked based on the following criteria:
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<td><strong>Price</strong></td>
<td>25 Points: Lowest-priced bid.&lt;br&gt;20 Points: Second lowest-priced bid.&lt;br&gt;15 Points: Third lowest-priced bid.</td>
<td>*Itemized Bid List</td>
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<td><strong>Traceability</strong></td>
<td>5 Points: Can currently produce reports to show % of local products provided, including farm name and origin.&lt;br&gt;3 Points: Can currently produce reports to show % of local products provided.&lt;br&gt;0 Points: Cannot produce reporting/tracking mechanisms.</td>
<td>*Responses to Questions in Vendor Questionnaire Labeled: Traceability</td>
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<td><strong>Delivery Specifications</strong></td>
<td>5 Points: Ability to deliver within the District’s designated time/days &amp; positive references of timely &amp; accurate delivery.&lt;br&gt;3 Points: Ability to deliver within District’s designated time but on alternate delivery days &amp; positive references of timely &amp; accurate delivery&lt;br&gt;0 Points: Unable to meet District’s designated delivery time &amp; days and/or negative references of frequent untimely and/or inaccurate deliveries even if delivery time &amp; days can be met.</td>
<td>*Reference forms&lt;br&gt;*Responses to Questions in Vendor Questionnaire Labeled: Delivery Specifications</td>
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<td><strong>Local Geographic Preference</strong></td>
<td>25 Points: Ability to provide 50% or more California grown products sourced within 250 miles.&lt;br&gt;20 Points: Ability to provide 30-49% or more California grown products sourced within 250 miles.&lt;br&gt;15 Points: Ability to provide 20-29% of products sourced within 250 miles.&lt;br&gt;0 Points: Ability to provide 19% or less of products sourced within 250 miles.</td>
<td>*Responses to Questions in Vendor Questionnaire Labeled: Local Geographic Preference</td>
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<td><strong>Ordering Systems and Reports</strong></td>
<td>5 Points: Availability of online ordering with order confirmation. Ability to provide velocity reports, monthly statements and weekly price lists.&lt;br&gt;3 Points: Availability of placing e-mail orders with order confirmation. Ability to provide velocity reports, monthly statements and weekly price lists.&lt;br&gt;0 Points: Ability to provide online or e-mail ordering and weekly price lists. Unable to provide velocity reports and/or monthly statements.</td>
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<td><strong>Service Reliability and Past Performance</strong></td>
<td>5 Points: Proven ability to provide excellent service as demonstrated by references &amp; vendor questionnaire that show: -Prompt responses and satisfactory resolution to requests for information and complaints &amp; issues. -Courtesy and responsiveness to all district personnel at all times. -Ready access to decision-making executives and assigned point of contact. -Ongoing produce market updates and communication regarding produce availability to identify best priced seasonal products.&lt;br&gt;0 Points: References and/or vendor questionnaire that demonstrate poor performance or inability to meet criteria described above.</td>
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| Safety Records and Controls                  | 5      | **5 Points:** Bidder can provide evidence, in the form of a written Food Safety & Security Program OR HACCP Plan, that it has a minimum of appropriate safety controls in place and follows the best food-safety practices in that:  
Bidder’s staff are properly and regularly trained in current safety procedures,  
Bidder’s facilities are regularly inspected by accredited agencies and proposer’s facilities are favorably assessed in those inspections.  
The proposer promptly and appropriately addresses safety issues raised by food-safety inspections or otherwise.  
If needed, Bidder’s record-keeping program is such that the proposer would be able to promptly trace any product to its original supplier and source of origin.  
Bidder can provide evidence that it has a Product Recall Procedures and Pest Control Policy in place.  
**0 Points:** Unable to meet or provide above specified criteria.                                                                 |
| Cross-docking and Farm-direct                | 10     | **10 Points:** Bidder is able to cross-dock, deliver, invoice, and process farm-direct items.  
**5 Points:** Bidder is able to invoice for farm-direct items, but cannot warehouse the items, deliver the items, and/or process the items.  
**0 Points:** Bidder is unable to invoice farm-direct items.                                                                 |
| Multiple Site Delivery                       | 5      | **5 Points:** Bidder will deliver directly to all sites listed.  
**0 Points:** Unable to deliver products to 100% of the sites listed.                                                                                          |
| Harvest of the Month                         | 10     | **10 Points:** Bidder is able to provide in-season produce grown within 250 miles of the district and educational information about the products.  
**5 Points:** Bidder is able to provide in-season produce grown within 250 miles of the district, but is not able to provide educational information.  
**0 Points:** Bidder is not able to provide in-season produce grown within 250 miles of the district.                                                      |
| **Total Points**                             | 100    |                                                                                                                                                                                                            |

Each Proposal will be evaluated on criteria and priorities define by the District, with specific attention to those features, functional, and technical aspects notes for each section. The District’s evaluation panel will award the contract based on the prospective Vendor submission that best meets the needs of the District with regard to the RFP specifications contained herein.

A Proposer must be able to deliver the items within the required delivery date in order to be declared responsive to this RFP. The District reserves the right to make no award at all, reserves the right to reject any and all quotes, and to waive any irregularity or discrepancy associated with this RFP.
Unsolicited services or incentives offered as part of the Proposal response will NOT be evaluated or considered in the award process.

The District reserves the right of determination that items quoted meet or do not meet RFP specifications. Contract will be awarded to the most responsive and responsible Proposer based on criteria described in this RFP. Further, the District reserves the right to accept or reject any or all quotes and to waive any informality in the RFP. This will be an all or nothing award, meaning all items bid will be awarded to one responsive and responsible Proposer.

Response will be considered acceptance of this term. Cupertino Union School District reserves the right to make an award based on partial items.

AWARD RESULTS – A recap of items awarded will be posted on the District website at https://www.cusdk8.org/departments/purchasing/bid-opportunities, within a reasonable time after the Date Due.

CANCELLATION OF CONTRACT – The Cupertino Union School District may cancel this contract without cause at any time by giving thirty (30) days’ written notice to the supplier/Vendor. The Cupertino Union School District may cancel this contract with cause at any time by giving ten (10) days’ written notice to the supplier/Vendor. Cancellation for cause shall be at the discretion of the Cupertino Union School District and shall be, but is not limited to, failure to supply the materials, equipment, or service specified within the time allowed or within the terms, conditions, or provisions of this contract. The successful Proposer may not cancel this contract without prior written consent of the District.

CANCELLATION OF SOLICITATION – The Cupertino Union School District may cancel this solicitation at any time.

CLARIFICATION, CORRECTIONS OR CHANGES TO SPECIFICATIONS – All clarifications, corrections, or changes to the solicitation documents will be made by Addendum only. Proposers shall not rely upon interpretations, corrections, or changes made in any other manner, whether by telephone, in person, or in email. Interpretations, corrections, and changes shall not be binding unless made by the Addendum. All Addenda issued shall become part of the Agreement documents. Addenda will be sent to all known solicitation holders by email or U.S. mail.

It is the Proposer’s sole responsibility to ascertain that it has received all Addenda issued for this solicitation. All Addenda must be acknowledged and returned on or before the Submittal Deadline, unless otherwise directed by an Addendum.

COMPLIANCE WITH FAIR EMPLOYMENT PRACTICE ACT – Vendor agrees in accordance with Section 1735 and 1777.6 of California Labor Code, and the California Fair Employment Practice Act (Sections 1410-1433) that in the hiring of common or skilled labor for the performance of any work under this contract, or any subcontract hereunder, no Contractor, material supplier or Vendor shall, by reason of race, color, national origin or ancestry, religion, sex, or sexual orientation discriminate against any person who is qualified and available to perform the work to which such employment relates.
COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS – Proposer shall observe and comply with all rules and regulations of the governing board of the District and all federal, state, and local laws, ordinances and regulations. Proposer shall give all notices required by any law, ordinance, rule and regulation bearing on conduct of the Work as indicated or specified. If Vendor observes that any of the Work required by this Contract is at variance with any such laws, ordinance, rules or regulations, Proposer shall notify the District, in writing, and, at the sole option of the District, any necessary changes to the scope of the Work shall be made and this Contract shall be appropriately amended in writing, or this Contract shall be terminated effective upon Vendor’s receipt of a written termination notice from the District. If Proposer performs any work that is in violation of any laws, ordinances, rules or regulations, without first notifying the District of the violation, Proposer shall bear all costs arising therefrom.

COMPLIANCE WITH OSHA – Proposer agrees that all item(s) offered comply with all applicable Federal and the State Occupational Safety and Health Act, laws, standards and regulations, and that it will indemnify and hold the Cupertino Union School District harmless for any failure to so conform.

CONTRACT INCORPORATION – This contract embodies the entire contract between the District and the Vendor. The parties shall not be bound by or be liable for any statement, representation, promise, inducement or understanding of any kind or nature not set forth herein. No changes, amendments, or modifications of any of the terms or conditions of the contract shall be valid unless reduced to writing and signed by both parties. The complete contract shall include the entire contents of the RFP solicitation, all addenda, all of Proposer’s successful submittal, supplemental agreements, and any and all written agreements which alter, amend or extend the contract.

CONTRACT PRICING – Prices bid shall remain firm through the term of this contract.

CONTRACT TERM - The initial awarded contract period shall be July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024. This awarded contract may be renewed for up to two (2) additional one-year terms by mutual agreement.

Initial Year: July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024
Option Year 1: July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025
Option Year 2: July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026

DAMAGE – The Vendor shall be held responsible for any breakage, loss of the Cupertino Union School District’s equipment or supplies through negligence of the Vendor or Vendor’s employee while working on the Cupertino Union School District’s premises. The Vendor shall be responsible for restoring/replacing any equipment, facilities, etc., so damaged. The Vendor shall immediately report to the Cupertino Union School District any damages to the premises resulting from services performed under this contract.

DEFAULT – In case of default by Vendor of any of the conditions of this RFP or contract resulting from this RFP, the Vendor agrees that the Cupertino Union School District may procure articles or services from other sources and may deduct from the unpaid balance due the Vendor, or collect against the bond or surety, or may invoice the Vendor for excess costs
so paid, and prices paid by Cupertino Union School District shall be considered the prevailing market price at the time such purchase is made.

**DELIVERY COMPLETION** – All items must be shipped exactly as ordered. The Vendor must apply continual diligence, monitoring, and resources to ensure items on orders are delivered on the required delivery date and in compliance with contract terms, conditions, instructions, pricing, and specifications.

**DISCONTINUED ITEMS AND PRODUCT SUBSTITUTION** – In the event an item awarded under this contract is discontinued, the Vendor is required to notify the District’s Nutrition Services Director immediately. Contract items that are discontinued by their manufacturer during the term of the contract may be substituted with a same or similar item only if it is equal or exceeds the specifications of the original item. Written documentation from the manufacturer of discontinuation and a sample of the substituted item shall be submitted directly to:

Nicole Meschi, Director  
Nutrition Services  
Cupertino Union School District  
10301 Vista Drive  
Cupertino, CA 95014

The District will not allow substitutions without prior approval. The substitute item shall then be evaluated by District’s Director of Nutrition Services to determine if the substitute item is an equivalent of the specified item. Additionally, the price of any authorized substitute product must be equal to or less than the contracted price of the item being replaced. Authorization of a substitute product shall be the sole discretion and with authorization/approval of the Director of Nutrition Services.

**DISTRICT REQUIREMENTS** – The quantity shown is the estimate of consumption for the contract period. The needs of the District may be substantially more or less than such referenced quantities. The articles, supplies or services listed in the RFP and required during the contract period shall be ordered and purchased from the successful Proposer(s) during such period. The District shall have the right to issue purchase orders up to and including the last day of the contract period even though the time provided for delivery may extend beyond such period. The District reserves the right to acquire from other sources during the life of the contract such items as may be required for testing, evaluation or experimental purposes, or for special programs of an emergency nature, and purchases made by individual schools.

**EXAMINATION OF LOCATIONS** – It shall be the responsibility of the Vendor to establish knowledge of the Cupertino Union School District and the specific delivery locations to familiarize him/herself with the access and egress, construction or building difficulties and method of delivery, all of which could affect his/her ability to service the District. It shall be the responsibility of the Vendor to cope with all these eventualities.
FILL RATE/ACCURACY RATE – The Vendor shall maintain a 90% fill rate of all orders and indicate on the packing slip all items ordered but not delivered. The Vendor shall also fill orders with a 99% accuracy rate.

FINGERPRINTING OF EMPLOYEES – Successful Vendor agrees to comply with all provisions of Education Code section 45125.1 regarding the submission of employee fingerprints to the California Department of Justice and the completion of criminal background investigations of its employees. The Vendor shall not permit any employee to have any contact with District pupils until such time as the Vendor has verified in writing to the governing board of the District that the employee has not been convicted of a felony, as defined in Education Code section 45122.1. The Vendor’s responsibility shall extend to all employees, subcontractors, agents, and employees or agents of subcontractors regardless of whether those individuals are paid or unpaid, concurrently employed by the District, or acting as independent contractors of the Vendor. Verification of compliance with this section and the Criminal Background Investigation Certification that may be required with this Agreement, shall be provided in writing to the District prior to each individual’s commencement of employment or performing any portion of the Services and prior to permitting contact with any student.

FOB POINT – All shipments shall be made FOB destination, Cupertino, Calif. FOB destination indicates that the seller is responsible for shipment until it is tendered to the Cupertino Union School District. The District will not pay for shipping and handling, nor shall the District pay for any fuel surcharges that are not indicated herein.

FOOD RECALL - Food/beverage suppliers shall be expected to comply with all federal, state, and local mandates regarding the identification and recall of foods from the commercial and consumer marketplace.

FORCE MAJEURE – If execution of this contract shall be delayed or suspended and if such failure arises out of causes beyond the control of and without fault or negligence of the Vendor, the Vendor shall notify the Cupertino Union School District, in writing, within twenty-four (24) hours, after the delay. Such causes may include but are not limited to acts of God, war, acts of a public enemy, acts of any governmental entity in its sovereign or contractual capacity, fires, floods, epidemics, strikes, and unusually severe weather.

FORMATION OF CONTRACT – Proposer’s signed Proposal and District’s written acceptance shall constitute a binding contract.

HOLD HARMLESS – Successful Proposer agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the name of Cupertino Union School District, its governing body, officers, employees, and insurance carriers, individually and collectively, from all losses, claims, suits, demands, expenses, subrogation, attorneys’ fees, or actions of any kind in nature resulting from personal injury to any person (including bodily injury and death), or damage to any property, arising or alleged to have arisen out of Successful Proposer’s negligent acts, errors, omissions, or performance of the work to be performed under the terms of the contract if awarded. The amount and type of insurance coverage requirements set forth herein will in no way be construed as limiting the scope of indemnity in this paragraph.
INDEMNIFICATION – (a) Vendor agrees to accept all responsibility for loss or damage to any person or entity, and to defend, indemnify, hold harmless and release District, its officers, agents and employees, from and against any and all actions, claims, damages, disabilities or expenses including attorney’s fees and witness costs that may be asserted by any person or entity, arising out of or in connection with the tortuous acts or errors or omissions of Vendor hereunder, whether or not there is concurrent passive or active negligence on the part of District, but excluding liability due to the sole negligence or willful misconduct of District. This indemnification obligation is not limited in any way by any limitation on the amount or type of damages or compensation payable to or for Vendor or its agents under workers’ compensation acts, disability benefit acts, or other employee benefit acts.

(b) Vendor shall be liable to District for any loss or damage to District property arising from or in connection with Vendor’s performance hereunder.

INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR - In accepting this contract, Successful Proposer (hereinafter Vendor) covenants that it presently has no interest, and shall not acquire any interest, direct or indirect, financial or otherwise, which would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of the services hereunder. Vendor further covenants that, in the performance of this contract, no subcontractor or person having such an interest shall be employed. Vendor certifies that to the best of his or her knowledge, no one who has or will have any financial interest under this contract is an officer or employee of the Cupertino Union School District. It is expressly agreed by Vendor that in the performance of the services required under this contract, Vendor, and any of its subcontractors or employees, shall at times be considered independent contractors and not agents of the Cupertino Union School District.

INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS – The successful Proposer must furnish the Cupertino Union School District with the Certificates of Insurance proving coverage as specified in below and naming the Cupertino Union School District Additional Insured by endorsement within ten (10) calendar days. Failure to furnish the required certificates within the time allowed may result in withdrawal of award.

Provider shall procure and maintain for the duration of the contract insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the work hereunder by the provider, its agents, representatives, or employees.

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The general liability and auto liability policies are to contain or be endorsed to name CUSD, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers as additional insureds for liability arising out of the activities performed in connection with this contract. The Contractor’s coverage shall be primary and shall apply separately to each insured against who claim is made or suit is brought, except with respect to the limits of the insurer’s liability. Contractor shall furnish CUSD original certificates of insurance and endorsements (affecting coverage required by this clause) signed by a person authorized to bind coverage on its behalf. Insurance is to be placed with insurers with a current AM Best rating of not less than A: VII. The endorsements are to be received and approved by CUSD before work commences.

**LAWS GOVERNING THE CONTRACT** – This contract shall be in accordance with the laws of the State of California. Parties further stipulate that this contract was entered into in the county of Santa Clara and the state of California is the only appropriate forum for any litigation resulting from breach hereof or any questions arising here from.

**MATERIAL PRICED INCORRECTLY** – As a condition of any award resulting from this Request for Price, Vendor shall discount all transactions as agreed. In the event the District discovers through its contract monitoring process or formal auditing process, that material was priced incorrectly, Vendor agrees to promptly refund all overpayments and to pay all reasonable audit expenses incurred as a result of the noncompliance.

**NOMENCLATURES** – The terms Successful Proposer, supplier, Vendor, and contractor may be used interchangeably in this solicitation and shall refer exclusively to the person, company, or corporation with whom the Cupertino Union School District enters into a contract as a result of this solicitation.

**OFF CONTRACT PURCHASE** – The District reserves the right to purchase product covered by this Agreement from alternate sources, should during the term of this Contract/Agreement the District obtains more favorable pricing from those alternate sources.

**ORDER DISCREPANCIES** – Upon notification by the District, the Vendor shall correct/resolve any shipping discrepancy no later than forty-eight (48) hours from the time of delivery to the ordering location, at no additional cost to the District.

**PACKING, CRATING, CARTAGE** – The cost of all special packing, boxing, crating, or cartage shall be included in the pricing specified on the response unless otherwise specifically stated in the District’s request. All packing, crating, or other debris resulting from delivery or setup of commodity purchased shall be removed and properly disposed of by the successful Proposer.

**PERFORMANCE NOTIFICATION** – In the event Vendor is unable to perform any or its entire obligation under this contract or Vendor is able to foresee a potential issue (i.e., system failure) that will impact the quality or quantity of the scope of work, services or level of performance under the contract, the Vendor shall notify the District within one (1) working day in writing or by telephone of such event.
POSTAWARD MEETING – Prior to performing any work or providing any services specified on this Contract, the Vendor may be required to meet with the Director of Nutrition Services for the purpose of reviewing the products and services offered herein, determining milestones regarding the District’s expectations, and to discuss any issues related to the execution of this RFP.

The Vendor shall perform all work in accordance with such schedule pursuant to the Terms & Conditions of this Contract. The District will approve all materials associated with this RFP.

QUANTITIES – The quantities shown are approximate. The District reserves the right to increase or decrease quantities as required. The District does not guarantee orders in these quantities nor shall the District be required to limit its orders to these quantities. This is an indefinite quantity bid for which there shall be no limit to the number of orders placed, in any quantity, by the District or any participating public agency for the term of the contract, at the prices resulting from award of a contract.

QUESTIONS, INTERPRETATION, OR CORRECTION OF RFP DOCUMENTS – Proposers shall notify the District’s Director of Business Operations, Dana Ino, by email: ino_dana@cusdk8.org, or by phone: 408-252-3000 x 61493, promptly of any error, omission, inconsistency or for interpretation, correction, or clarification that may be discovered during examination of the solicitation.

RETURN OF ITEMS – Items ordered by the District, which are subsequently determined by District customer not to be acceptable or wanted, shall be picked up by the Vendor and full credit shall be issued to the ordering location. After proper notification to the Vendor, by the District ordering location/customer, Vendor shall pick up and fully credit said return items in a timely manner.

The District reserves the right to refuse all items in excess of the quantities ordered unopened at the time of delivery. Excess quantities delivered to the ordering location shall be picked up by the Vendor within ten (10) business days after notification by the District ordering location.

RIGHTS RESERVED –

A. Rejection. The Cupertino Union School District reserves the right to reject any or all Bids or any part thereof, or to accept any bid or any part thereof, or to waive any informalities in any bid, whenever it is deemed to be in the best interest of the Cupertino Union School District. The Cupertino Union School District also reserves the right to reject the bid of any Proposer who has previously failed to perform adequately for the Cupertino Union School District or any other governmental agency.

B. Cover. Should the successful Proposer fail to comply with the conditions of this RFP or fail to complete the required work or furnish the required materials within the time stipulated, the Cupertino Union School District reserves the right to purchase the materials in open market, or to complete the required work, at the expense of the successful Proposer.
C. **Severability.** If any provision, or any portion of any provision, of any contract resulting from this RFP shall be held invalid, illegal, or unenforceable, the remaining provisions or portions of any provisions shall be valid and enforceable to the extent possible.

**SAFETY** – All articles delivered under this contract must conform to the Safety Orders of the State of California, Division of Industrial Safety. The Vendor shall provide Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) upon request by the District.

**SEVERABILITY** – If any provisions, or portions of any provisions, of this contract are held invalid, illegal, or unenforceable, they shall be severed from the contract and the remaining provisions shall be valid and enforceable.

**SPECIFICATIONS, CHANGES TO** – The parties shall not be bound by or be liable for any statement, representation, promise, inducement, or understanding of any kind or nature not set forth herein or by written amendment. No changes, amendments, or modifications of any of the terms or conditions of the specification shall be valid unless reduced in writing and signed by both parties.

**STOCK ON HAND** – The Vendor shall stock and maintain a reasonably sufficient quantity of all items awarded. The District’s estimated one (1) year usage is listed on the “Itemized Bid Sheet” for delivery to the sites listed above.

**TAXES** – The Vendor shall pay all taxes, levies, duties and assessments of every nature due in connection with any work under the contract, shall make any and all payroll deductions required by law, and shall indemnify and hold harmless the Cupertino Union School District from any liability on account of any and all such taxes, levies, duties, assessments and deductions. The Cupertino Union School District is exempt from Federal Excise Tax.

**TERMS OF THE OFFER** – Cupertino Union School District’s acceptance of Proposer’s offer shall be limited to the terms herein unless expressly agreed in writing by the Cupertino Union School District. Quotes offering terms other than those shown herein will be declared nonresponsive and will not be considered.
VENDOR QUESTIONNAIRE
To Be Submitted with Proposal

Please complete this qualifying criteria questionnaire, use a separate sheet if necessary, and submit with your proposal.

1. **Traceability** – Please describe your company’s ability to provide the District with locally grown, source-identified produce. What systems do you have in place for tracking and labeling locally grown produce?

2. **Traceability** – What is your process for showing documentation of product sourcing?

3. **Traceability** – Please check off the reports that you make available to your customers: ___ market reports ___ velocity reports ___ monthly statements ___ weekly price lists. Please list any additional reports available. How are customers able to access these reports?

4. **Traceability** – Can you currently produce reports to show the percent of local products provided, including farm name and origin?
   ___ (Yes) Including percent, but not farm name and origin.
   ___ (No) If so, please describe current reporting/tracking mechanisms below. If not, are you willing to develop reporting/tracking mechanisms? ___ Yes ___ No

5. **Delivery Specifications** – Will you be able to meet the specified delivery timeframe?

6. **Delivery Specifications** – What is the current makeup of your delivery vehicle fleet? Please include the year, make, and model of each delivery vehicle as well as the refrigeration units on these delivery vehicles. Please describe your vehicle preventative maintenance program.

7. **Delivery Specifications** – How late can add-ons be added to next day delivery? Is there a limit on the number of cases that can be added on?

8. **Local Geographic Preference** – What percentage of products sourced within 250 miles of the District are you able to provide?
   Please mark one: ___ 50% or more ___ 30-49% ___ 20-29% ___ 0-19%.
Describe your procedure for communicating an item’s point of origin to school district personnel.

9. *Local Geographic Preference* – Can you provide a weekly list of local produce as defined in the bid to the District via email or posted online?

10. *Ordering Systems and Reports* – Can orders be placed online or by e-mail? Please describe ordering procedures.

11. *Service Reliability and Past Performance* – Please describe how you will communicate ongoing produce market updates and information regarding produce availability to identify best-priced seasonal products.

12. *Service Reliability and Past Performance* – What is the lead time you require for orders?

13. *Service Reliability and Past Performance* – Will you be able to provide point/s of contact with whom the District can communicate through e-mail and by phone?

14. *Service Reliability and Past Performance* – How many years has your company been in the produce business?

15. *Service Reliability and Past Performance* – Has your firm resigned or been replaced at the will of a district(s) during the school year within the last 24 months? If so, explain.

16. *Service Reliability and Past Performance* – How late can add-ons be added to next day delivery? Is there a limit on the number of cases that can be added on?

17. *Service Reliability and Past Performance* – What is your procedure for notifying customers of shortages and/or substitutes?

18. *Service Reliability and Past Performance* – Has your company resigned or been replaced at the will of a district(s) during the school year within the last 24 months? If so, please explain.
19. **Service Reliability and Past Performance** – Do you require a minimum number of cases or dollar amount for delivery?

20. **Service Reliability and Past Performance** – During the previous school year, how many K-12 school districts did you service?

21. **Service Reliability and Past Performance** – What is your procedure for notifying customers of a product recall?

22. **Safety Records and Controls** – Can all aspects of Product Quality Control as described in this agreement be met?

23. **Cross-docking and Farm-direct** – Please describe your company’s strategy for working directly with farmers and/or food hubs, and any experience you have processing or cross-docking for farmers.

24. **Multiple Site Delivery** – Are you able and committed to delivering directly to all sites listed?

25. **Harvest of the Month** – Are you able to provide in-season produce grown within 250 miles of the district?

26. **Harvest of the Month** – Are you willing and able to provide the district with educational information about the selected Harvest of the Month produce?
REFERENCES
To Be Submitted with Proposal

Please submit two (2) current school district references requiring multiple deliveries per week.

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NONCOLLUSION AFFIDAVIT
To Be Submitted with Proposal

State of California
Santa Clara County

Proposer’s Name___________________________, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that he or she is Owner of Contractor Name _____________________________, the party making the foregoing bid, that the bid is not made in the interest of, or on behalf of, any undisclosed person, partnership, company, association, organization, or corporation; that the bid is genuine and not collusive or sham; that the Proposer has not directly or indirectly induced or solicited any other Proposer to put in a false or sham bid, and has not directly or indirectly colluded, conspired, connived, or agreed with any Proposer or anyone else to put in a sham bid, or that anyone shall refrain from bidding; that the Proposer has not in any manner, directly or indirectly, sought by agreement, communication, or conference with anyone to fix the bid price of the Proposer or any other Proposer, or to fix any overhead, profit, or cost element of the bid price, or of that of any other Proposer, or to secure any advantage against the public body awarding the contract of anyone interested in the proposed contract; that all statements contained in the bid are true; and further, that the Proposer has not, directly or indirectly, submitted his or her bid price or any breakdown thereof, or the contents thereof, or divulged information or data relative thereto, or paid, and will not pay, any fee to any corporation, partnership, company association, organization, bid depository, or to any member or agent thereof to effectuate a collusive or sham bid.

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WORKERS’ COMPENSATION INSURANCE CERTIFICATE
To Be Submitted with Proposal

The Proposer shall execute the following form as required by the California Labor Code, Sections 1860 and 1861:

I am aware of the provisions of Section 3700 of the Labor Code, which require every employer to be insured against liability for workers’ compensation or to undertake self-insurance in accordance with the provisions of that code, and I will comply with such provisions before commencing the performance of the work of this contract.

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CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING
To Be Submitted with Proposal

INSTRUCTIONS: To be completed and submitted ANNUALLY by any child nutrition entity receiving
federal reimbursement in excess of $100,000 per year and potential or existing contractors/Vendors
as part of an original bid, contract renewal or extension when the contract exceeds $100,000.

Applicable to Grants, Subgrants, Cooperative Agreements, and Contracts
Exceeding $100,000 in Federal Funds

Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction and is imposed by
section 1352, Title 31, U.S. Code. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was
placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Any person who fails to file the required certification
shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than $10,000 and not more than $100,000 for each such failure.

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

(1) No federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any
person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of
Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with
the awarding of a federal contract, the making of a federal grant, the making of a federal loan, the entering
into a cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of
a federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

(2) If any funds other than federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for
influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, an
officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with this federal
grant or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL,
“Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying,” in accordance with its instructions.

(3) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents
for all covered subawards exceeding $100,000 in federal funds at all appropriate tiers and that all
subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

Name of School Food Authority Receiving Child Nutrition Reimbursement in Excess of $100,000:

Agreement Number:

Address of School Food Authority:

Printed Name and Title of Submitting Official: Signature: Date:

OR

Name of Vendor:

Printed Name and Title: Signature: Date:
## DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES

**To Be Submitted with Proposal**

Approved by OMB

Complete this form to disclose lobbying activities pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352 0348-0046

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11. Information requested through this form is authorized by title 31 U.S.C. section 1352. This disclosure of lobbying activities is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed by the tier above when this transaction was made or entered into. This disclosure is required pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352. This information will be reported to the Congress semi-annually and will be available for public inspection. Any person who fails to file the required disclosure shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than $10,000 and not more than $100,000 for each such failure.

**Signature:** ____________________________  
**Print Name:** ____________________________  
**Title:** ________________________________  
**Telephone No.:** ____________  
**Date:** ________

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Standard Form - LLL (Rev. 7-97)
INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF SF-LLL, DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES

This disclosure form shall be completed by the reporting entity, whether subawardee or prime Federal recipient, at the initiation or receipt of a covered Federal action, or a material change to a previous filing, pursuant to title 31 U.S.C. section 1352. The filing of a form is required for each payment or agreement to make payment to any lobbying entity for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with a covered Federal action. Complete all items that apply for both the initial filing and material change report. Refer to the implementing guidance published by the Office of Management and Budget for additional information.

1. Identify the type of covered Federal action for which lobbying activity is and/or has been secured to influence the outcome of a covered Federal action.
2. Identify the status of the covered Federal action.
3. Identify the appropriate classification of this report. If this is a followup report caused by a material change to the information previously reported, enter the year and quarter in which the change occurred. Enter the date of the last previously submitted report by this reporting entity for this covered Federal action.
4. Enter the full name, address, city, state and zip code of the reporting entity. Include Congressional District, if known. Check the appropriate classification of the reporting entity that designates if it is, or expects to be, a prime or subaward recipient. Identify the tier of the subawardee, e.g., the first subawardee of the prime is the 1st tier. Subawards include but are not limited to subcontracts, subgrants and contract awards under grants.
5. If the organization filing the report in item 4 checks “Subawardee,” then enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the prime Federal recipient. Include Congressional District, if known.
6. Enter the name of the federal agency making the award or loan commitment. Include at least one organizational level below agency name, if known. For example, Department of Transportation, United States Coast Guard.
7. Enter the Federal program name or description for the covered Federal action (item 1). If known, enter the full Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number for grants, cooperative agreements, loans, and loan commitments.
8. Enter the most appropriate Federal identifying number available for the Federal action identified in item 1 (e.g., Request for Proposal (RFP) number; Invitations for Bid (IFB) number; grant announcement number; the contract, grant, or loan award number; the application/proposal control number assigned by the Federal agency). Included prefixes, e.g., “RFP-DE-90-001.”
9. For a covered Federal action where there has been an award or loan commitment by the Federal agency, enter the Federal amount of the award/loan commitment for the prime entity identified in item 4 or 5.
10. (a) Enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the lobbying registrant under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 engaged by the reporting entity identified in item 4 to influence the covered Federal action.
   (b) Enter the full names of the individual(s) performing services, and include full address if different from 10(a). Enter Last Name, First Name, and Middle Initial (MI).
11. The certifying official shall sign and date the form, print his/her name, title, and telephone number.

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act, as amended, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control Number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is OMB No. 0348-0046. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 10 minutes per response, including time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project (0348-0046), Washington, DC 20503.
FINGERPRINT CLEARANCE/CRIMINAL BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION CERTIFICATION

To Be Submitted with Proposal

One of the three boxes below must be checked, with the corresponding certification provided:

☐ Consultant’s employees will have only limited contact, if any, with District pupils and the District will take appropriate steps to protect the safety of any pupils that may come in contact with Consultant’s employees so that the fingerprinting and criminal background investigation requirements of Education Code section 45125.1 shall not apply to Consultant for the services under this Agreement. As an authorized District official, I am familiar with the facts herein certified, and am authorized to execute this certificate on behalf of the District. (Education Code § 45125.1 (c))

Date: ______________________________________________________________________________________________

District Representative's Name and Title: 

District Representative's Signature: ________________________________

☐ The fingerprinting and criminal background investigation requirements of Education Code section 45125.1 apply to Consultant’s services under this Agreement and Consultant certifies its compliance with these provisions as follows: “Consultant certifies that the Consultant has complied with the fingerprinting and criminal background investigation requirements of Education Code section 45125.1 with respect to all Consultant’s employees, subcontractors, agents, and subcontractors’ employees or agents (“Employees”) regardless of whether those Employees are paid or unpaid, concurrently employed by the District, or acting as independent contractors of the Consultant, who may have contact with District pupils in the course of providing services pursuant to the Agreement, and the California Department of Justice has determined that none of those Employees has been convicted of a felony, as that term is defined in Education Code section 45122.1. A complete and accurate list of all Employees who may come in contact with District pupils during the course and scope of the Agreement is attached hereto.”

☐ Consultant’s services under this Agreement shall be limited to the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or repair of a school facility and although all Employees will have contact, other than limited contact, with District pupils, pursuant to Education Code section 45125.2 District shall ensure the safety of the pupils by at least one of the following as marked:

☐ The installation of a physical barrier at the worksite to limit contact with pupils.

☐ Continual supervision and monitoring of all Consultant’s on-site employees of Consultant by an employee of Consultant, whom the Department of Justice has ascertained has not been convicted of a violent or serious felony.

☐ Surveillance of Employees by District personnel.

Date: ________________

District Representative’s Name and Title: ________________________________

District Representative’s Signature: ________________________________

I am a representative of the Consultant entering into this Agreement with the District and I am familiar with the facts herein certified, and am authorized and qualified to execute this certificate on behalf of Consultant.

Date: ______________________________________________________________________________________________

Name of Consultant: __________________________________________________________

Signature: ________________________________

Print Name and Title: ________________________________________________________

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYMENT
To Be Submitted with Proposal

Federal affirmative action regulations mandate that federal contractors include an equal opportunity (EO) clause in all contracts, subcontracts, and purchase orders. The intent is to make the nondiscrimination and affirmative action provisions of Executive Order 11246, Section 503 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Vietnam Era Veterans’ Readjustment Assistance Act, and the Jobs for Veterans act flow down to all tiers of contractors.

This contractor and subcontractor shall abide by the requirements of 41 CFR §§ 60-1.4(a), 60-300.5(a) and 60-741.5(a). These regulations prohibit discrimination against qualified individuals based on their status as protected veterans or individuals with disabilities, and prohibit discrimination against all individuals based on their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or national origin. Moreover, these regulations require that covered prime contractors and subcontractors take affirmative action to employ and advance in employment individuals without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, disability or veteran status.

I/We hereby certify that we are an equal opportunity employer as defined in the Equal Opportunity Act.

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Cupertino Union School District
Fresh Produce and Services/Nutrition Services RFP #23-B13-13
DEBARTMENT, SUSPENSION, AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS
To Be Submitted with Proposal

As required by Executive Order 12549, Debarment and Suspension, 7 CFR Part 3017, Section 3017.510, for participants or respondents in primary covered transactions:

A. The participant or respondent certifies that it and its principals:

(a) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any federal department or agency;

(b) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (federal, state, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of federal or state antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;

(c) Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (federal, state, or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (1)(b) of this certification; and

(d) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application had one or more public transactions (federal, state, or local) terminated for cause or default.

B. Where the participant or respondent is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, he or she shall attach an explanation to this application.

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This Tobacco-Free Environment Certification form is required from the successful Bidder. Pursuant to, without limitation, 20 U.S.C. section 6083, Labor Code section 6400 et seq., Health & Safety Code section 104350 et seq., Business and Professions Code section 22950 et seq., and District Board policies, all District sites, including the Project site, are tobacco-free environments. Smoking and the use of tobacco products by all persons is prohibited on or in District property. District property includes school buildings, school grounds, school-owned vehicles and vehicles owned by others while on District property. The prohibition on smoking includes the use of any electronic smoking device that creates an aerosol or vapor, in any manner or in any form, and the use of any oral smoking device for the purpose of circumventing the prohibition of tobacco smoking. Further, Health & Safety Code section 11362.3 prohibits the smoking or use of cannabis or cannabis products in any place where smoking tobacco is prohibited.

I acknowledge that I am aware of the District’s policy regarding tobacco-free environments at District sites, including the Project site and hereby certify that I will adhere to the requirements of that policy and not permit any of my firm’s employees, agents, subcontractors, or my firm’s subcontractors’ employees or agents, to use tobacco and/or smoke on the Project site.

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DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE CERTIFICATION
To Be Submitted with Proposal

This Drug-Free Workplace Certification form is required from the successful Bidder pursuant to Government Code section 8350 et seq., the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1990. The Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1990 requires that every person or organization awarded a contract or grant for the procurement of any property or service from any state agency must certify that it will provide a drug-free workplace by doing certain specified acts. In addition, the Act provides that each contract or grant awarded by a state agency may be subject to suspension of payments or termination of the contract or grant, and the contractor or grantee may be subject to debarment from future contracting, if the contracting agency determines that specified acts have occurred.

The District is not a “state agency” as defined in the applicable section(s) of the Government Code, but the District is a local agency and public school district under California law and requires all contractors on District projects to comply with the provisions and requirements of the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1990.

Contractor must also comply with the provisions of Health & Safety Code section 11362.3 which prohibits the consumption or possession of cannabis or cannabis products in any public place, including school grounds, and specifically on school grounds while children are present.

Contractor shall certify that it will provide a drug-free workplace by doing all of the following:

a) Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the person’s or organization’s workplace and specifying actions which will be taken against employees for violations of the prohibition.

b) Establishing a drug-free awareness program to inform employees about all of the following:
   1. The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace.
   2. The person’s or organization’s policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace.
   3. The availability of drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee-assistance programs.
   4. The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations.

c) Requiring that each employee engaged in the performance of the contract or grant be given a copy of the statement required above, and that, as a condition of employment on the contract or grant, the employee agrees to abide by the terms of the statement.

I, the undersigned, agree to fulfill the terms and requirements of Government Code section 8355 listed above and will publish a statement notifying employees concerning (a) the prohibition of controlled substance at the workplace, (b) establishing a drug-free awareness.
program, and (c) requiring that each employee engaged in the performance of the Contract be given a copy of the statement required by section 8355(a), and requiring that the employee agree to abide by the terms of that statement.

I also understand that if the District determines that I have either (a) made a false certification herein, or (b) violated this certification by failing to carry out the requirements of section 8355, that the Contract awarded herein is subject to termination, suspension of payments, or both. I further understand that, should I violate the terms of the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1990, I may be subject to debarment in accordance with the requirements of the aforementioned Act.

I acknowledge that I am aware of the provisions of and hereby certify that I will adhere to the requirements of the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1990 and Health and Safety Code section 11362.3.

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE NONDISCRIMINATION STATEMENT

In accordance with federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA.

Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication for program information (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language, etc.), should contact the agency (state or local) where they applied for benefits. Individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing, or have speech disabilities may contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at 800-877-8339. Additionally, program information may be made available in languages other than English.

To file a program complaint of discrimination, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, (AD3027) found online at the Filing a Program Discrimination Complaint as a USDA customer page, and at any USDA office, or write a letter addressed to USDA and provide in the letter all of the information requested in the form. To request a copy of the complaint form, call 866-632-9992. Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by:

(1) mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights 1400 Independence Avenue, SW Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;

(2) fax: 202-690-7442; or

(3) email: program.intake@usda.gov.

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