

**SPARTANBURG COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT FOUR OFFICE OF
SCHOOL FOOD SERVICES
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**

Date Proposal Issued: April 20,2026
Solicitation Number: B0012026

Hand Deliver Proposals

Only To: Spartanburg County School District 4 Administrative Office
Attn: Audra Terry
118 McEdco Road
Woodruff, S.C. 2.9388

**RETURN IN ENVELOPE PROVIDED PLAINLY MARKED "PRODUCE PROPOSAL"
WITH DATE AND TIME OF OPENING**

Date Proposal Opens: May 6,2026
Time Proposal Opens: 11:00 AM

Proposal Opening: Spartanburg County School District 4 Administrative Office
118 McEdco Road
Woodruff, S.C. 29388

Contract Period: August 1, 2026- July 31, 2027

Description: Contract to purchase fresh produce food items.
Type of Contract: Firm Fixed Fee for Services

PROPOSALS SUBMITTED VIA FACSIMILE MACHINE OR EMAIL WILL NOT BE
ACCEPTED

IMPORTANT

**Discussions/Negotiations: This is an annual contract for school year 2026-2027 renewable
up to four additional one year periods.**

By submission of a proposal, vendor agrees that during the period following issuance of a proposal and prior to notification of intent and/or award of contract, vendor will not discuss this procurement with any party except the Food Service Director for Spartanburg County School District 4 or other parties designated in this solicitation. Vendor will not discuss or attempt to negotiate with the using schools in Spartanburg County School District 4 aspects of the procurement without prior approval of the Food Service Director, Spartanburg County School District 4.

OFFICE OF SCHOOL FOOD SERVICES		Solicitation Type: Solicitation Number: Solicitation Issue Date:	REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) B0002021 April 20,2026
Mailing & Physical Address: Phone: Fax: E-Mail Address:	SFA Child Nutrition Director/Supervisor or Designee: Audra Terry 118 McEdco Road, Woodruff, SC 29388 (864) 476-3186 (864) 476-8616 aterry@spartanburg4.org	SFA Procurement Officer: Chris Benfield 118 McEdco Road, Woodruff, SC 29388 (864) 476-3186 (864) 476-8616 cbenfield@spartanburg4.org	

DESCRIPTION: Contract to purchase produce

CONTRACT PERIOD: August 1, 2026 – July 31, 2027

USING GOVERNMENTAL SCHOOL FOOD AUTHORITY (SFA): Spartanburg County School District #4

The Term "Offer" Means Your "Bid" or "Proposal".

SUBMIT OFFER BY (Opening Date/Time) May 6, 2026 @ 11:00a.m. (Local Time) (See "Deadline for "Submission of Offer" provision)

QUESTIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY(Date/Time): April 30,2026 @ 2:00 p.m. (Local Time) (See "Questions From Offerors" provision)

SUBMIT QUESTIONS TO: Audra Terry **EMAIL:** aterry@spartanburg4.org **Phone:** (864) 476-3186

NUMBER OF COPIES TO BE SUBMITTED: SEE PAGE 3

Offers must be submitted in a sealed package. Solicitation Number & Opening Date must appear on package exterior

OFFERS SHALL BE HAND DELIVERED & SUBMITTED IN A SEALED PACKAGE TO THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS BELOW:

PHYSICAL ADDRESS SEALED PROPOSAL OPENING: Spartanburg County School District #4 Administrative Office
118 McEdco Road
Woodruff, SC 29388

See "Submitting Your Offer" provision.

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AWARD & AMENDMENTS	The award, this solicitation, and any amendments will be posted at the following address: 118 McEdco Road Woodruff, SC 29388 or aterry@spartanburg4.org
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You **must** submit a signed copy of this form with Your Offer. By submitting a bid or proposal, You agree to be bound by the terms of the Solicitation. You agree to hold Your Offer open for a minimum of ninety (90) calendar days after the Opening Date. (See "Signing Your Offer" provisions)

NAME OF OFFEROR (Full legal name of business submitting the offer)	OFFEROR'S TYPE OF ENTITY: (Check one)
AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE (Person signing must be authorized to submit binding offer to enter contract on behalf of Offeror named above.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Sole Proprietorship <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Corporation (tax-exempt) <input type="checkbox"/> Corporate entity (not tax-exempt) <input type="checkbox"/> Government entity (federal, state, or local) <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ (See "Signing Your Offer" provision.)
TITLE (Business title of person signing above)	
PRINTED NAME (Printed name of person signing above)	

Instructions regarding Offeror's name: Any award issued will be issued to, and the contract will be formed with, the entity identified as the Offeror above. An offer may be submitted by only one legal entity. The entity named as the Offeror **must** be a single and distinct legal entity. Do not use the name of a branch office or a division of a larger entity if the branch or division is not a separate legal entity, *i.e.*, a separate corporation, partnership, sole proprietorship, etc.

STATE OF INCORPORATION (If Offeror is a corporation, identify the state of Incorporation.)	TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NO. (See "Taxpayer Identification Number" provision)
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HOME OFFICE ADDRESS (Address for Offeror's home office / principal place of business)	NOTICE ADDRESS (Address to which all procurement and contract related notices should be sent.) (See "Notice" clause)								
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PAYMENT ADDRESS (Address to which payments will be sent.) <input type="checkbox"/> Payment Address same as Home Office Address <input type="checkbox"/> Payment Address same as Notice Address (check only one)	ORDER ADDRESS (Address to which purchase orders will be sent) (See "Contract Documents" clauses)								
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ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF AMENDMENTS: Offerors acknowledges receipt of amendments by indicating amendment number and its date of issue. (See "Amendments to Solicitation" Provision)									
Amendment No.	Amendment Issue Date	Amendment No.	Amendment Issue Date	Amendment No.	Amendment Issue Date	Amendment No.	Amendment Issue Date		
DISCOUNT FOR PROMPT PAYMENT (See "Discount for Prompt Payment" clause)		10 Calendar Days (%)	20 Calendar Days(%)	30 Calendar Days (%)	Calendar Days (%)				
		_____	_____	_____	_____				
MINORITY PARTICIPATION									
Please answer the following questions for reporting purposes only:									
Are you certified as a MOB/WOB (minority-owned business/woman-owned business) by the State of South Carolina? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No									
If yes, provide certification number: _____. If no, would you qualify as a MOB/WOB based on the District's requirement of at least fifty-one percent (51%) ownership by a woman or person of ethnic (non-white) origin? <input type="checkbox"/> Minority-owned <input type="checkbox"/> Woman-owned									
Are you a Non SC Certified Minority Vendor <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No									
IRAN DIVESTMENT ACT - ARTICLE 5 of CHAPTER 57, TITLE 11 OF S.C. CONSOLIDATED PROCUREMENT CODE									
By submission of this bid, each bidder and each person signing on behalf of any bidder certifies, and in the case of a joint bid, each party thereto certifies as to its own organization, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of its knowledge and belief that each bidder is not on the list created pursuant to South Carolina Code of Laws Section 11-57-310.									

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NUMBER OF COPIES

Offerors will need to follow these instructions carefully when responding to the solicitation.

At least one (1) copy of the offer should contain original signatures; that copy shall be clearly marked or differentiated from the other copies of the offer by notation in the lower left corner of the cover of each offer with the words "ORIGINAL". This signed original copy will be retained for incorporation by reference in any contract resulting from this solicitation.

Offers shall be signed by only those Company officials or agents duly authorized to sign bid/ proposals or contracts on behalf of their respective organizations. Each additional copy must be separated.

Additionally, if offeror is submitting confidential information, one complete copy of the offer from which information has been removed must be marked as exempt, i.e., a redacted copy. The information redacted should mirror in every detail the information marked as exempt from public disclosure. The redacted copy should (i) reflect the same pagination as the original, (ii) show the empty space from which information was redacted, and (iii) be submitted on magnetic media.

REQUIRED OFFEROR DOCUMENTATION:

Check all boxes :

- (1) Original and (3) Copies, Solicitation Cover page ONE and TWO**
- (1) Original and (3) Copies, Solicitation Checklist page THREE**
- (1) Original and (3) Copies, ARTICLE XII - SFA Proposal Schedule**
- (1) Original and (3) Copies per bidding lot, Product Spreadsheets for all Bidding Lots**

**NOTE: This form MUST be typed. If corrections are needed, cross out and initial.
DO NOT ERASE OR USE CORRECTION FLUID/TAPE**

NAME OF OFFEROR (Full legal name of business submitting the offer)	
AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE (Person signing must be authorized to submit binding offer to enter contract on behalf of Offeror named above.)	
TITLE (Business title of person signing above)	
PRINTED NAME (Printed name of person signing above)	DATE SIGNED

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USDA 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, religion, sex, disability, age, marital status, family/parental status, income derived from a public assistance program, political beliefs, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity, in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA (not all bases apply to all programs). Remedies and complaint filing deadlines vary by program or incident.

Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication for program information (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotope, American Sign Language, etc.) should contact the State or local Agency that administers the program or contact USDA through the Telecommunications Relay Service at 711 (voice and TTY). Additionally, program information may be made available in languages other than English.

To file a program discrimination complaint, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, AD-3027, found online at [How to File a Program Discrimination Complaint](#) 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, Mail Stop 9410, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; (2) fax: (202) 690-7442; or (3) email: program.intake@usda.gov; This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

REQUEST FOR CLARIFICATIONS

Any questions regarding this proposal should be in writing VIA EMAIL, to aterry@spartanburg4.org by April 30, 2026 at 2:00 p.m.

Questions will be answered by 5:00 p.m. on May 1, 2026.

- I. Scope of Solicitation
 - II. Instructions to Offerors
 - A. General Instructions
 - B. Special Instructions
 - III. Scope of Work / Specifications
 - IV. Information for Offerors to Submit
 - V. Qualifications
 - VI. Award Criteria
 - VII. Terms and Conditions
 - A. General
 - B. Special
 - VIII. Bidding Schedule
- Attachments to Solicitation

I. SCOPE OF SOLICITATION

Spartanburg County School District Four is soliciting offers from a qualified source for the purchase of fresh produce food items for the district.

GENERAL INFORMATION: The district operates a total of 1 primary school, 1 elementary school, 1 middle school, 1 high school. Additional basic information about the District is posted on the District's website: www.spartanburg4.org

MAXIMUM CONTRACT PERIOD – ESTIMATED: Start date: August 1, 2026. End date: July 31, 2027. Dates provided are estimates only. Any resulting contract will begin on the date specified in the notice of award. See clause entitled "Term of Contract - Effective Date/Initial Contract Period." The initial term of the contract will be one (1) year with four (4) additional one-year options to renew for a maximum contract term of five (5) years.

II. INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS – A. GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

DEFINITIONS, CAPITALIZATION, AND HEADINGS: CLAUSE HEADINGS USED IN THIS SOLICITATION ARE FOR CONVENIENCE ONLY AND SHALL NOT BE USED TO CONSTRUE MEANING OR INTENT. EVEN IF NOT CAPITALIZED, THE FOLLOWING DEFINITIONS ARE APPLICABLE TO ALL PARTS OF THE SOLICITATION, UNLESS EXPRESSLY PROVIDED OTHERWISE.

AMENDMENT means a document issued to supplement the original solicitation document.

BOARD means the Board of Trustees of Spartanburg County District Four.

BUSINESS means any corporation, partnership, individual, sole proprietorship, joint stock company, joint venture, or any other legal entity.

CHANGE ORDER means any written alteration in specifications, delivery point, rate of delivery, period of performance, price, quantity, or other provisions of any contract accomplished by mutual agreement of the parties to the contract.

CONTRACT means all types of Spartanburg County School District Four agreements, regardless of what they may be called, for the procurement or disposal of supplies, services, and equipment or construction.

CONTRACT MODIFICATION means a written order signed by the Chief Financial Officer (CFO), directing the contractor to make changes which the clause of the contract TITLED "Changes, "if included herein, authorizes the CFO to order without the consent of the contractor.

CONTRACTOR means the Offeror receiving an award as a result of this solicitation.

COVER PAGE means the top page of the original solicitation on which the solicitation is identified by number. Offerors are cautioned that Amendments may modify information provided on the Cover Page.

DISTRICT means Spartanburg County School District Four.

OFFER means the bid, quote or proposal submitted in response to this solicitation. The terms Bid and Proposals are used interchangeably with the term Offer.

OFFEROR means the single legal entity submitting the offer. The term Bidder is used interchangeably with the term Offeror. See bidding provisions entitled Signing Your Offer and Bid/Proposal as Offer To Contract.

PAGE TWO means the second page of the original solicitation, which is labeled Page Two.

PROCUREMENT OFFICER means the person, or his successor, identified as such on either the cover page, an amendment, or an award notice.

YOU and YOUR means Offeror.

SOLICITATION means this document, including all its parts, attachments, and any Amendments.

SUBCONTRACTOR means any person you contract with to perform or provide any part of the work.

UDSA means United States Department of Agriculture.

WORK means all labor, materials, equipment, services, or property of any type, provided or to be provided by the Contractor to fulfill the Contractor's obligations under the Contract.

AMENDMENTS TO SOLICITATION: (a) Solicitation may be amended at any time prior to opening. All bidders requesting the bid package will send copies of all amendments. (b) Offerors shall acknowledge receipt of any amendment to this solicitation (1) by signing and returning the amendment, (2) by identifying the amendment number and date in the space provided for this purpose on Page Two (3) by

letter, or (4) by submitting a bid that indicates in some way that the bidder received the amendment. (c) If this solicitation is amended, then all terms and conditions which are not modified remain unchanged.

AUTHORIZED AGENT: All authority regarding this procurement is vested solely with the responsible Procurement Officer. Unless specifically delegated in writing, the CFO is the only government official authorized to bind the government with regard to this procurement or the resulting contract.

AWARD NOTIFICATION: Notice regarding any award, cancellation of award, or extension of award will be posted at the location specified on the Cover Page. If the contract resulting from this Solicitation has a total or potential value in excess of fifty thousand dollars, in addition to the posted notice, notice of intended award will be sent to all Offerors responding to the Solicitation. Any award resulting from this Solicitation will not be effective until the eleventh day after such notice is given. When only one response is received, the notice of the intended award and the ten-day delay of award may be waived.

BID/PROPOSAL AS OFFER TO CONTRACT: By submitting Your Bid or Proposal, You are offering to enter into a contract with Spartanburg County School District Four. Without further action by either party, a binding contract shall result upon final award. Any award issued will be issued to, and the contract will be formed with, the entity identified as the Offeror on the Cover Page. An Offer may be submitted by only one legal entity; "joint bids" are not allowed.

BID ACCEPTANCE PERIOD: In order to withdraw Your Offer after the minimum period specified on the Cover Page, You must notify the CFO in writing.

BID IN ENGLISH and DOLLARS: Offers submitted in response to this solicitation shall be in the English language and in US dollars, unless otherwise permitted by the Solicitation.

CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT PRICE DETERMINATION: GIVING FALSE, MISLEADING, OR INCOMPLETE INFORMATION ON THIS CERTIFICATION MAY RENDER YOU SUBJECT TO PROSECUTION UNDER SECTION 16-9-10 OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS AND OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS.

(a) By submitting an offer, the Offeror certifies that:

(1) The prices in this offer have been arrived at independently, without, for the purpose of restricting competition, any consultation, communication, or agreement with any other Offeror or competitor relating to:

(i) Those prices;

(ii) The intention to submit an offer; or

(iii) The methods or factors used to calculate the prices offered.

(2) The prices in this offer have not been and will not be knowingly disclosed by the Offeror, directly or indirectly, to any other Offeror or competitor before bid opening (in the case of a sealed bid solicitation) or contract award (in the case of a negotiated solicitation) unless otherwise required by law; and

(3) No attempt has been made or will be made by the Offeror to induce any other concern to submit or not to submit an offer for the purpose of restricting competition.

(b) Each signature on the offer is considered to be a certification by the signatory that the signatory:

(1) Is the person in the Offeror's organization responsible for determining the prices being offered in this bid or proposal, and that the signatory has not participated and will not participate in any action contrary to paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) of this certification; or

(2)(i) Has been authorized, in writing, to act as agent for the Offeror's principals in certifying that those principals have not participated, and will not participate in any action contrary to paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) of this certification [As used in this subdivision (b)(2)(i), the term "principals" means the person(s) in the Offeror's organization responsible for determining the prices offered in this bid or proposal].

(ii) As an authorized agent, does certify that the principals referenced in subdivision (b)(2)(i) of this certification have not participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) of this certification; and

(iii) As an agent, has not personally participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) of this certification.

(c) If the Offeror deletes or modifies paragraph (a)(2) of this certification, the Offeror must furnish with its offer a signed statement setting forth in detail the circumstances of the disclosure.

CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS:

(a) (1) By submitting an Offer, Offeror certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that-

(i) Offeror and/or any of its Principals;

(A) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or declared ineligible for the award of contracts by any state or federal agency;

(B) Have not, within a three-year period preceding this offer, 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) contract or subcontract; violation of Federal or state antitrust statutes relating to the submission of offers; or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, tax evasion, or receiving stolen property; and

(C) Are not presently indicted for, or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity with, commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (a)(1)(i)(B) of this provision.

(ii) Offeror has not, within a three-year period preceding this offer, had one or more contracts terminated for default by any public (Federal, state, or local) entity.

(2) "Principals," for the purposes of this certification, means officers; directors; owners; partners; and, persons having primary management or supervisory responsibilities within a business entity (e.g., general manager; plant manager; head of a subsidiary, division, or business segment, and similar positions).

(b) Offeror shall provide immediate written notice to the Procurement Officer if, at any time prior to contract award, Offeror learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.

(c) If Offeror is unable to certify the representations stated in paragraphs (a)(1), Offeror must submit a written explanation regarding its inability to make the certification. The certification will be considered in

connection with a review of the Offeror's responsibility. Failure of the Offeror to furnish additional information as requested by the CFO may render the Offeror nonresponsible.

(d) Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render, in good faith, the certification required by paragraph (a) of this provision. The knowledge and information of an Offeror is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

(e) The certification in paragraph (a) of this provision is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when making award. If it is later determined that the Offeror knowingly or in bad faith rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the State, the Procurement Officer may terminate the contract resulting from this solicitation for default.

Check for federal and state disbarments at www.sam.gov and <http://procurement.sc.gov/legal/legal-suspend-debar>.

BUY AMERICAN PROVISION: Section 104(d) of the William F. Goodling Child Reauthorization Act of 1998 requires schools participating in the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and School Breakfast Program (SBP) to purchase to the maximum extent possible, domestic commodities or products used in meals served in the NSLP and SBP. "Domestic commodity or product" is defined as one that is produced in the United States and over 51 percent of the final processed product consists of agricultural commodities that are grown domestically.

BUYER-CONTRACTOR RELATIONSHIP: Under arrangements of this contract, it is the contractor's responsibility to represent the interest of the SFA and interface with packers on problems relating to product pack and quality, make purchases of specified items at the lowest prices, including freight, and to promote the introduction of new items, either by packer or distributor representatives.

CIVIL RIGHTS PROVISIONS: The contractor providing services under this Invitation to Bid must comply with the provisions of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended. The contractor must comply with applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations pertaining to wages, hours, and conditions of employment. In connection with contractor's performance of work under this contract, contractor agrees not to discriminate against any employee(s) or applicant(s) for employment because of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability. In accordance with Federal law and U.S. Department of Agriculture policy, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability. To file a complaint, write USDA, Director, Office of Adjudication, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20250-9410 or call toll free at (866) 632-9992. Individuals who are hearing impaired or have speech disabilities may contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at 800-877-8339; or 800-845-6136 (Spanish). USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

CLEAN AIR / CLEAN WATER: The Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 7401 et seq. The Contractor agrees to report each violation to the USDA and the appropriate EPA Regional Office.

The Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended (33 U.S.C. §§ 1251 et seq. The Contractor agrees to report each violation to the USDA and the appropriate EPA Regional Office.

CODE OF LAWS AVAILABLE: The District's Procurement Code: www.spartanburg4.org

TRACT VIOLATION: During the term of the contract, contractors who violate any contract will be considered in breach and subject to cancellation for cause. Contractors may be suspended or debarred from doing business with the District. Examples of vendor violations include, but are not limited to: (1) Adding items to the contract without approval. (2) Increasing contract price without approval. (3) Misrepresentation of the contract to any District entity.

COMPLETION OF FORMS/CORRECTION OF ERRORS: All prices and notations should be printed in ink or typewritten. Errors should be crossed out, corrections entered and initialed by the person signing the bid. Do not modify the solicitation document itself (including the bid schedule).

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF OFFER: Any offer received after the Chief Financial Officer (CFO) of the District or designee has declared that the time set for opening has arrived, shall be rejected unless the offer has been delivered to the designated District office or mailroom as instructed on the Cover page prior to the bid opening.

DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST OR UNFAIR COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE: You warrant and represent that your offer identifies and explains any unfair competitive advantage you may have in competing for the proposed contract and any actual or potential conflicts of interest that may arise from your participation in this competition or your receipt of an award. The two underlying principles are (a) preventing the existence of conflicting roles that might bias a contractor's judgment, and (b) preventing an unfair competitive advantage. If you have an unfair competitive advantage or a conflict of interest, the District may withhold award. Before withholding award on these grounds, an Offeror will be notified of the concerns and provided a reasonable opportunity to respond. Efforts to avoid or mitigate such concerns, including restrictions on future activities, may be considered. Without limiting the foregoing, you represent that your offer identifies any services that relate to either this solicitation or the work and that has already been performed by you, a proposed subcontractor, or an affiliated business of either.

DISTRICT OFFICE CLOSINGS: If an emergency or unanticipated event interrupts normal processes so that offers cannot be received at the District as designated for receipt of bids by the exact time specified in the solicitation, the time specified for receipt of offers will be deemed to be extended to the same time of day specified in the solicitation on the first work day on which normal district processes resume. In lieu of an automatic extension, an Amendment may be issued to reschedule the bid opening. If district offices are closed at the time a pre-bid or pre-proposal conference is scheduled, an Amendment will be issued to reschedule the conference. Useful information may be available at: <http://www.spartanburg4.org>

DRUG FREE WORK PLACE CERTIFICATION: By submitting an Offer, Contractor certifies that, if awarded a contract, Contractor will comply with all applicable provisions of The Drug-free Workplace Act, Title 44, Chapter 107 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended.

DUTY TO INQUIRE: Offeror, by submitting an Offer, represents that it has read and understands the Solicitation and that its Offer is made in compliance with the Solicitation. Offerors are expected to examine the Solicitation thoroughly and should request an explanation of any ambiguities, discrepancies, errors, omissions, or conflicting statements in the Solicitation. Failure to do so will be at the Offeror's risk. Offeror assumes responsibility for any patent ambiguity in the Solicitation that Offeror does not bring to the District's attention.

ETHICS CERTIFICATE: By submitting an offer, the offeror certifies that the offeror has and will comply with, and has not, and will not, induce a person to violate Title 8, Chapter 13 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended (ethics act). The following statutes require special attention: Section 8-13-700,

regarding use of official position for financial gain; Section 8-13-705, regarding gifts to influence action of public official; Section 8-13-720, regarding offering money for advice or assistance of public official; Sections 8-13-755 and 8-13-760, regarding restrictions on employment by former public official; Section 8-13-775, prohibiting public official with economic interests from acting on contracts; Section 8-13-790, regarding recovery of kickbacks; Section 8-13-1150, regarding statements to be filed by consultants; and Section 8-13-1342, regarding restrictions on contributions by contractor to candidate who participated in awarding of contract. The district may rescind any contract and recover all amounts expended as a result of any action taken in violation of this provision. If contractors participate, directly or indirectly, in the evaluation or award of public contracts, including without limitation, change orders or task orders regarding a public contract, contractor shall, if required by law to file such a statement, provide the statement required by Section 8-13-1150 to the procurement officer at the same time the law requires the statement to be filed.

LOBBYING: The Contractor will comply with the Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment (31 U.S.C. 1352) and the New Restrictions on Lobbying and has signed and attached to this agreement the Certificate Regarding Lobbying and, if applicable, the Disclosure of Lobbying Activities (Forms SF-LLL) and annually will sign and submit a certificate, if applicable, Form SF-LLL to the District.

OMIT TAXES FROM PRICE: Do not include any sales or use taxes in your price that the District may be required to pay.

OPEN TRADE REPRESENTATION: *By submitting an Offer, Offeror represents that the Offeror is not currently engaged in the boycott of a person or an entity based in or doing business with a jurisdiction with whom South Carolina can enjoy open trade, as defined SC Code Section 11-35-5300.*

PROTESTS: Any prospective bidder, Offeror, contractor, or subcontractor who is aggrieved in connection with the solicitation of a contract shall protest within fifteen (15) days of the date of issuance of the applicable solicitation document at issue. Any actual bidder, Offeror, contractor, or subcontractor who is aggrieved in connection with the intended award or award of a contract shall protest within ten (10) days of the date notification of award is posted in accordance with this code. A protest shall be in writing, shall set forth the grounds of the protest and the relief requested with enough particularity to give notice of the issues to be decided, and must be received by the CFO within the time provided.

PROHIBITION AGAINST CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS, GRATUITIES AND KICKBACKS: "Any employee or any official of the school district, elective or appointive, who shall take, receive or offer to take or receive either directly or indirectly, any rebate, percentage of contract, money or other things of value, as an inducement or intended inducement, in the procurement of business, or the giving of business, for, or to, or from, any person, partnership, firm of corporation, offering, bidding for, or in open market seeking to make sales to the school district shall be deemed guilty of a felony and upon conviction such person or persons shall be subject to punishment or a fine in accord with State and/or Federal laws."

PROHIBITED COMMUNICATIONS AND DONATIONS: Violation of these restrictions may result in disqualification of your offer, suspension or debarment, and may constitute a violation of law. (a) During the period between publication of the solicitation and final award, ***you must not communicate, directly or indirectly, with the District or its employees, agents or officials regarding any aspect of this procurement activity,*** unless otherwise approved in writing by the CFO. (b) You are advised to familiarize yourself with Regulation 19-445.2165, which restricts donation to a governmental entity with whom you have or seek to have a contract. You represent that your offer discloses any gifts made, directly

or through an intermediary, by you or your named subcontractors to or for the benefit of the District during the period beginning eighteen months prior to the opening date.

PUBLIC OPENING: Offers will be publicly opened at the date/time and at the location identified on the Cover Page, or last Amendment, whichever is applicable.

QUESTIONS FROM OFFERORS: (a) Any prospective Offeror desiring an explanation or interpretation of the solicitation, drawings, specifications, etc., must request it in writing. Questions must be received by the foodservice director by April 30, 2026 by 2:00 p.m.. Label any communication regarding your questions with the name of the foodservice director, and the solicitation's title and number. Oral explanations or instructions will not be binding. Any information given a prospective Offeror concerning a solicitation will be furnished promptly to all other prospective Offerors as an Amendment to the solicitation, if that information is necessary for submitting offers or if the lack of it would be prejudicial to other prospective Offerors. We will not identify you in our answer to your question. (b) The District seeks to permit maximum practicable competition. Offerors are urged to advise the foodservice director -- as soon as possible -- regarding any aspect of this procurement, including any aspect of the Solicitation, that unnecessarily or inappropriately limits full and open competition.

Email is the preferred method for submitting questions with "Questions: Solicitation # as the subject of the email. Questions must be submitted in an easily copied format such as Word.

Email:aterry@spartanburg4.org. Questions may also be submitted to the address.

REJECTION/CANCELLATION: The District may cancel this solicitation in whole or in part. The District may reject any or all proposals in whole or in part.

RESPONSIVENESS/IMPROPER OFFERS: (a) Bid as Specified. Offers for supplies or services other than those specified will not be considered unless authorized by the Solicitation.

(b) Multiple Offers. Offerors may submit more than one Offer, provided that each Offer has significant differences other than price. Each separate Offer must satisfy all Solicitation requirements. If this solicitation is an Invitation for Bids, each separate offer must be submitted as a separate document. If this solicitation is a Request for Proposals, multiple offers may be submitted as one document, provided that you clearly differentiate between each offer and you submit a separate cost proposal for each offer, if applicable.

(c) Responsiveness. Any Offer which fails to conform to the material requirements of the Solicitation may be rejected as nonresponsive. Offers which impose conditions that modify material requirements of the Solicitation may be rejected. If a fixed price is required, an Offer will be rejected if the total possible cost to the District cannot be determined. Offerors will not be given an opportunity to correct any material nonconformity. Any deficiency resulting from a minor informality may be cured or waived at the sole discretion of the CFO.

(d) Price Reasonableness: Any offer may be rejected if the CFO determines in writing that it is unreasonable as to price.

(e) Unbalanced Bidding. The district may reject an Offer as nonresponsive if the prices bid are materially unbalanced between line items or subline items. A bid is materially unbalanced when it is based on prices significantly less than cost for some work and prices which are significantly overstated in relation to cost for other work, and if there is a reasonable doubt that the bid will result in the lowest overall cost to the District even though it may be the low evaluated bid, or if it is so unbalanced as to be tantamount to allowing an advance payment.

SIGNING YOUR OFFER: Every Offer must be signed by an individual with actual authority to bind the Offer. (a) If the Offeror is an individual, the Offer must be signed by that individual. If the Offeror is an individual doing business as a firm, the Offer must be submitted in the firm name, signed by the individual, and state that the individual is doing business as a firm. (b) If the Offeror is a partnership, the Offer must be submitted in the partnership name, followed by the words by its Partner, and signed by a general partner. (c) If the Offeror is a corporation, the Offer must be submitted in the corporate name, followed by the signature and title of the person authorized to sign. (d) An Offer may be submitted by a joint venture involving any combination of individuals, partnerships, or corporations. If the Offeror is a joint venture, the Offer must be submitted in the name of the Joint Venture and signed by every participant in the joint venture in the manner prescribed in paragraphs (a) through (c) above for each type of participant. (e) If an Offer is signed by an agent, other than as stated in subparagraphs (a) through (d) above, the Offer must state that it has been signed by an Agent. Upon request, Offeror must provide proof of the agent's authorization to bind the principal.

SUBMITTING CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION: For every document Offeror submits in response to or with regard to this solicitation or request, Offeror must separately mark with the word "CONFIDENTIAL" every page, or portion thereof, that Offeror contends contains information that is exempt from public disclosure because it is either (a) a trade secret or (b) privileged and confidential. For every document Offeror submits in response to or with regard to this solicitation or request, Offeror must separately mark with the words "TRADE SECRET" every page, or portion thereof, that Offeror contends contains a trade secret as that term is defined by Section 39-8-20 of the Trade Secrets Act. For every document Offeror submits in response to or with regard to this solicitation or request, Offeror must separately mark with the word "PROTECTED" every page, or portion thereof, that Offeror contends is protected by Section 11-35-1810. All markings must be conspicuous; use color, bold, underlining, or some other method in order to conspicuously distinguish the mark from the other text. Do not mark your entire response (bid, proposal, quote, etc.) as confidential, trade secret, or protected. If your response, or any part thereof, is improperly marked as confidential or trade secret or protected, the District may, in its sole discretion, determine it nonresponsive. If only portions of a page are subject to some protection, do not mark the entire page. By submitting a response to this solicitation or request, Offeror (1) agrees to the public disclosure of every page of every document regarding this solicitation or request that was submitted at any time prior to entering into a contract (including, but not limited to, documents contained in a response, documents submitted to clarify a response, and documents submitted during negotiations), unless the page is conspicuously marked "TRADE SECRET" or "CONFIDENTIAL" or "PROTECTED", (2) agrees that any information not marked, as required by these bidding instructions, as a "Trade Secret" is not a trade secret as defined by the Trade Secrets Act, and (3) agrees that, notwithstanding any claims or markings otherwise, any prices, commissions, discounts, or other financial figures used to determine the award, as well as the final contract amount, are subject to public disclosure. In determining whether to release documents, the District will detrimentally rely on Offeror's marking of documents, as required by these bidding instructions, as being either "Confidential" or "Trade Secret" or "PROTECTED". By submitting a response, Offeror agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the District, its officers and employees, from every claim, demand, loss, expense, cost, damage or injury, including attorney's fees, arising out of or resulting from the District withholding information that Offeror marked as "confidential" or "trade secret" or "PROTECTED". (All references to S.C. Code of Laws.)

TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: (a) If Offeror is owned or controlled by a common parent as defined in paragraph (b) of this provision, Offeror shall submit with its Offer the name and TIN of common parent.

(b) Definitions: "Common parent," as used in this provision, means that corporate entity that owns or controls an affiliated group of corporations that files its Federal income tax returns on a consolidated basis, and of which the Offeror is a member. "Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)," as used in this provision, means the number required by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) to be used by the Offeror in reporting income tax and other returns. The TIN may be either a Social Security Number or an Employer Identification Number.

(c) If Offeror does not have a TIN, Offeror shall indicate if either a TIN has been applied for or a TIN is not required. If a TIN is not required, indicate whether (i) Offeror is a nonresident alien, foreign corporation, or foreign partnership that does not have income effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business in the United States and does not have an office or place of business or a fiscal paying agent in the United States; (ii) Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of a state or local government; (iii) Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of a foreign government; or (iv) Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of the Federal Government.

VENDOR REGISTRATION: Offerors who have not provided products/services to the District in the past or within the past three years should complete a W-9 and submit it with your offer.

WITHDRAWAL OR CORRECTION OF OFFER: Offers may be withdrawn by written notice received at any time before the exact time set for opening. If the Solicitation authorizes facsimile offers, offers may be withdrawn via facsimile received at any time before the exact time set for opening. A bid may be withdrawn in person by a bidder or its authorized representative if, before the exact time set for opening, the identity of the person requesting withdrawal is established and the person signs a receipt for the bid. The withdrawal and correction of Offers is governed by S.C. Code Section 11-35-1520 and Regulation 19-445.2085.

II. INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS – B. SPECIAL

Background Checks: The vendor and all representatives of the vendor must have an acceptable background check to enter school property. At a minimum, the Bidder shall obtain a complete South Carolina statewide criminal background investigation for all individuals and employees performing work or services for Bidder or any other entities such as subcontractors, sub-sub-contractors, and consultants who will perform work or a service on this project. In the event that the individual being investigated is from out of state, the criminal background investigation shall be broadened to include their home state, as well as the state of South Carolina as outlined above. The company providing such information must be recognized by local law enforcement agency as qualified to do so. In addition, the Bidder shall check employees against the National Database of Registered Sex Offenders. Any individual that is registered as a sex offender will not be permitted on school property. All costs associated with these criminal background checks are the responsibility of the bidder. The District reserves the right to request a copy of SLED checks on any representatives of the Vendor who will be on District property. The District reserves the right to deny access to any employee, contractor or person caused to be present on District property by the vendor/contractor. Removal of employees on this basis shall not disrupt the project schedule or cost.

BID SUBMITTAL: All bidding documents must be submitted in a sealed envelope. Do not include more than one bid per envelope. The face of the envelope shall contain the bid title, the bid number, and the date and time of bid opening. Bids not submitted on the bid form will be subject to rejection. The district assumes no responsibility for unmarked or improperly marked envelopes.

At a bid opening, the only information that will be released is the names of participating bidders. Cost information will be provided after the ranking of bidders and the issuance of award.

CLARIFICATION: Pursuant to Section 11-35-1520(8), the CFO may elect to communicate with you after opening for the purpose of clarifying either your offer or the requirements of the solicitation. Such communications may be conducted only with Offerors who have submitted an offer which obviously conforms in all material aspects to the solicitation. Clarification of an offer must be documented in writing and included with the offer. Clarifications may not be used to revise an offer or the solicitation.

DISCUSSIONS WITH BIDDERS: After opening, the CFO or a designee may, in his/her sole discretion, initiate discussions with you to discuss your bid. Discussions are possible only if your bid is apparently responsive and only for the purpose of clarification to assure your full understanding of the solicitation's requirements. Any discussions will be documented in writing and shall be included with the bid.

PROTESTS: Bidders desiring to exercise protest rights under Section 4210 of the District Procurement Code should direct all correspondence to:

Spartanburg County School District Four
Chief Financial Officer
E-mail: cbenfield@spartanburg4.org
Phone: (864)476-3186
118 McEdco Rd, Woodruff, SC 29388

UNIT PRICES REQUIRED: Unit price to be shown for each item.

EVERY RESULTING CONTRACT IS SUBJECT TO ALL TERMS OF THE DISTRICT PROCUREMENT CODE INCLUDING LIMITATIONS AS TO DURATION, RIGHTS OF THE DISTRICT TO TERMINATE AND MEANS OF DISPUTE RESOLUTION. NO RESULTING CONTRACT IS RENEWABLE EXCEPT TO THE EXTENT PROVIDED IN THE SOLICITATION. NO VENDOR TERMS TAKE PRECEDENCE OVER THE SOLICITATION AND DISTRICT PROCUREMENT CODE.

III. SCOPE OF WORK / SPECIFICATIONS

SCOPE OF WORK

The intent of Spartanburg County School District 4 (hereafter referred to as the district) is to establish a source for the purchase of fresh produce to be used in the USDA School Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack, and Summer Feeding Programs.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

1. Offerors must be located within a fifty (50) mile radius of the boundaries of the district.
2. A minimum of two (2) years in business with K-12 local education agency.

3. HACCP and Serv Safe Certifications held within the company.
4. The successful contractor will be a contractor independent of the district. None of the Contractor's employees shall be deemed for any purpose to be employees, agents, or servants of the district, but shall at all times serve as employees, agents, or servants of the Contractor for whom and at whose discretion they shall act. No acts performed for or representations made, whether written or oral, by the proposer to third parties shall bind the district. The Contractor shall be solely responsible for the withholding and payment of all federal, state, and local personal income, social security, unemployment, workers' compensation, and other payroll taxes for its' employees. The district shall have no liability of any sort for the Contractor's employees.
5. By signing your offer; you certify that you will comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14 of the South Carolina Code of laws and agree to provide to the District, upon request, any documentation required to establish either: (a) that Title 8, Chapter 14 is inapplicable to you and your subcontractors or sub-subcontractors; or (b) that you and your subcontractors or sub- subcontractors are in compliance with Title 8, Chapter 14. Pursuant to Section 8-14-60, "A person who knowingly makes or files any false, fictitious, or fraudulent document, statement, or report pursuant to this chapter is guilty of a felony and, upon conviction, must be fined within the discretion of the court or imprisoned for not more than "five (5) years, or both." You agree to include in any contracts with your subcontractor's language requiring your subcontractors to (a) comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14, and (b) include in their contracts with the sub-subcontractor's language requiring the sub-subcontractors to comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14.
6. Under no circumstances shall the supplier sell products to any employee of the district at any school site.
7. The District shall have the option to add and/or delete schools when appropriate.

PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS

The produce products required herein shall conform and be packaged in accordance with industry standards and any South Carolina rules and regulations already established.

ADDITIONAL SEASONAL SOLICITATIONS

This solicitation is not all inclusive. The district reserves the right to solicit for seasonal produce to local farmers. The district would like to negotiate with the awardee of this solicitation on transportation services for the seasonal produce purchased from local farmers.

IV. INFORMATION FOR OFFERORS TO SUBMIT

INFORMATION FOR OFFERORS TO SUBMIT – GENERAL: Offeror shall submit a signed Cover Page, Page Two, and Amendments (if applicable). Offeror should submit all other information and documents requested in this part and in parts II.B. Special Instructions; III. Scope of Work; V. Qualifications; and any appropriate attachments addressed in section IX. Attachments to Solicitations. You should submit a summary of all insurance policies you have or plan to acquire to comply with the insurance requirements stated herein, if any, including policy types; coverage types; limits, sub-limits, and deductibles for each policy and coverage type; the carrier's A.M. Best rating; and whether the policy is written on an occurrence or claims-made basis.

Each offeror must respond with information in sequence to each of the following. Failure to respond to each of the items below may result in your bid being deemed non-responsive.

By submitting a bid, offeror warrants its response to this solicitation to be fully disclosed and correct. Information, documents and materials submitted in the bid must be complete and accurate in all material aspects. All bids must contain direct responses to the following questions or requests for information and be organized so that specific questions being responded to are readily identifiable and in the same sequence as outlined below. Responses may include cross-references to material elsewhere in the bid or to appendices. Interested firms are required to provide the following information, submitting bids in two (2) separate sealed packages:

A. TECHNICAL INFORMATION:

1. **Cover Letter:** One-page letter, including the legal name of the Offeror, providing a summary of the Offeror's ability to perform the services requested in this solicitation and confirm that the offeror is willing to perform those services and enter into a contract with the district. The letter shall be signed by the person having the authority to commit the Offeror to a contract.
2. **Table of Contents:** A Table of Contents of the material contained in the bid should follow the Cover Letter.
3. **Company Profile:**
 - (a) State whether your firm is local, regional, or national.
 - (b) Provide the location of the office from which the work is to be performed, and the number of partners, managers, supervisors, seniors and other professional staff employed at that office. One company representative must be clearly assigned to the district as the point of contact for all performance and contract issues. Include representative's name, telephone number, email address and any other appropriate means for contact for the representative.
4. **Technical Response:** Offeror shall provide their response to the information requested below in the order listed within each category. Offerors are cautioned to respond to each question or their bid may be determined to be non-responsive. When responding to the questions, do not simply refer to an attached document to answer a question; insert any reference information at the specific location where the answer is to be provided. Offerors may attach supplemental materials

to enhance understanding but bid responses will be evaluated primarily on the specific written responses by category below. If you believe a question does not apply, please mark that question as not applicable and state why it is not applicable.

(a) Background and Organizational Information Schedules

- (1) Briefly furnish your organization's history, legal form (sole proprietorship, partnership, corporation and State of incorporation), number and location of offices, number of employees, days/hours of operation and other pertinent data.
- (2) Disclose any conditions (e.g. bankruptcy or other financial problems, pending litigation, planned office closures, impending merger) that may affect your organization's ability to perform contractually.
- (3) Describe how your organization is properly licensed, bonded, and/or insured (both fidelity insurance and errors and omissions insurance). Will you provide coverage documentation upon request?

(b) References and Performance Capability

- (1) References: Provide a minimum of three (3) references and similar sites that may be visited by the district staff to look at the setup, production, and branding concept. Information must include contact names, phone number, and a brief description of work performed. List all current clients for whom vendor is performing similar contracts.
- (2) Working hours: Include a listing of your firm's normal business hours and an emergency phone number for after business hours' assistance.

B. COST:

One (1) copy of the Cost Information shall be provided under separate cover in a sealed envelope. DO NOT provide cost information in the technical information. The enclosed bid form must be used to provide pricing for randomly selected items.

Do not include any taxes or permit fees in the bid price that the district may be required to pay. Taxes and permit fees are not included in the tabulation of bids.

Volume: The total quantity shown herein is estimated requirements for the contract period and the school district does not obligate itself to purchase the full quantities indicated but the price offered must be allowed should the quantities be less. The school district requirements may exceed the quantities shown and all orders received by the contractor during the term of the contract shall be filled in accordance with the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth.

INFORMATION FOR OFFERORS TO SUBMIT – GENERAL: Offeror shall submit a signed Cover Page, Page Two, and Amendments (if applicable). Offeror should submit all other information and documents requested in this part and in parts II.B. Special Instructions; III. Scope of Work; V. Qualifications; VIII. Bidding Schedule; and any appropriate attachments addressed in section IX. Attachments to Solicitations.

All proposals must be in a sealed envelope and have clearly marked on the envelope:

Company Name
Company Address RFP-FP-,0516
Solicitation Number: B0002021
April 28, 2021

SUBMITTING REDACTED OFFERS: You are required to mark the original copy of your offer to identify any information that is exempt from public disclosure. You must do so in accordance with the clause entitled "Submitting Confidential Information." In addition, you must also submit one complete copy of your offer from which you have removed any information that you marked as exempt, i.e., a redacted copy. The information redacted should mirror in every detail the information marked as exempt from public disclosure. The redacted copy should (i) reflect the same pagination as the original, and (ii) show the empty space from which information was redacted.

TYPE OF CONTRACT: A bottom-line reimbursable cost with an escalation de-escalation clause plus a fixed fee for services contract will be awarded to the successful bidder by Spartanburg County School District 4 for the period August 1, 2026 until July 31, 2027, in accordance with the Provisions and Conditions of this Solicitation. The district reserves the right to extend the contract beyond the end of the initial contract period for up to four (4) additional one (1) year period(s), upon the mutual agreement of both parties and provided service fees remain the same for the extended one-year period(s).

The district reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to cancel this solicitation if it is in the best interest of the district.

The District's Procurement Code and Regulations govern and supersede any and all documents, proposals and policies, whether stated or implied.

Since the School District provides estimated quantities only, The Director of Student Nutrition Services and the contractor should work closely together to provide as much accuracy as possible in adjusting quantities so that the contractor should not be left with extreme overage or underage of products.

V. QUALIFICATIONS

QUALIFICATION OF OFFEROR: (1) To be eligible for award of a contract, a prospective contractor must be responsible. In evaluating an Offeror's responsibility, the district's standards of responsibility and information from any other source may be considered. An Offeror must, upon request of the district, furnish satisfactory evidence of its ability to meet all contractual requirements. Unreasonable failure to supply information promptly in connection with a responsibility inquiry may be grounds for determining that you are ineligible to receive an award.

SUBCONTRACTOR – IDENTIFICATION: If you intend to subcontract, at any tier level, with another business for any portion of the work and that portion either (1) exceeds 10% of your cost, (2) involves access to any "government information," as defined in the clause entitled "Information Security - Definitions," if included, or (3) otherwise involves services critical to your performance of the work (err on the side of inclusion), your offer must identify that business and the work which they are to perform. Identify potential subcontractors by providing the business name, address, phone, taxpayer identification number, and point of contact. In determining your responsibility, the district may contact and evaluate your proposed subcontractors.

VI. AWARD CRITERIA

AWARD BY LOT: Award will be made by complete lot(s).

AWARD CRITERIA: Firm Fixed Fee for Services

AWARD TO ONE OFFEROR: Award will be made to one Offeror.

EVALUATION FACTORS – BEST VALUE BID: Offers will be evaluated using only the factors stated below. Numerical weightings are provided for each evaluation factor. All evaluation factors, other than cost (which must be at least 60%), will be considered prior to determining the effect of cost on the score for each offeror. Once evaluation is complete, all responsive offerors will be ranked from most advantageous to least advantageous.

All bids will be reviewed for purposes of determining responsiveness and responsibility. Any bid which does not meet the essential requirements of the District, will be subject to disqualification. For purposes of determining responsibility, all information given by the offeror concerning its availability to perform fully the contract requirements and the integrity and reliability of the offeror will be reviewed. The submission of a bid for review does not necessarily qualify the offeror or bid as being responsive or responsible. Failure to provide specific information, as requested, for use in our evaluation will cause your bid to be disregarded. The following criteria will be used in the evaluation process:

(a) Costs: Costs shall include all charges of food products. Delivery charges must be included in the costs of the food. No hidden costs or charges will be accepted. The district shall incur the costs of food only.

RESPONSE SCORING for RFP

Cost-----	60%
General Requirements-----	15%
Qualification Requirements-----	15%
Experience Requirements-----	10%

VII. TERMS AND CONDITIONS –

GENERAL TERMS & CONDITIONS – A. General

ASSIGNMENT, NOVATION, AND CHANGE OF NAME, IDENTITY, OR STRUCTURE:

(a) Contractor shall not assign this contract, or its rights, obligations, or any other interest arising from this contract, or delegate any of its performance obligations, without the express written consent of the responsible procurement officer. The foregoing restriction does not apply to a transfer that occurs by operation of law (e.g., bankruptcy; corporate reorganizations and consolidations, but not including partial asset sales). Notwithstanding the foregoing, contractor may assign monies receivable under the contract provided that the District shall have no obligation to make payment to an assignee until thirty days after contractor (not the assignee) has provided the responsible procurement officer with (i) proof of the assignment, (ii) the identity (by contract number) of the specific District contract to which the assignment applies, and (iii) the name of the assignee and the exact address or account information to which assigned payments should be made. (b) If contractor amends, modifies, or otherwise changes its name, its identity (including its trade name), or its corporate, partnership or other structure, or its FEIN, contractor shall provide the procurement officer prompt written notice of such change. (c) Any name change, transfer, assignment, or novation is subject to the conditions and approval required by Regulation 19-445.2180, which does not restrict transfers by operation of law.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: The successful bidder will take affirmative action in complying with all federal and state requirements concerning fair employment and employment of the handicapped, and concerning the treatment of all employees, without regard or discrimination by reason of race, color, religion, sex, national origin or physical handicap. The following are incorporated herein by reference: 41 C.F.R. 60-1.4, 60-250.4 and 60-741.4.

BANKRUPTCY: (a) Notice. In the event the Contractor enters into proceedings relating to bankruptcy, whether voluntary or involuntary, the Contractor agrees to furnish written notification of the bankruptcy

to the District. This notification shall be furnished within two (2) days of the initiation of the proceedings relating to the bankruptcy filing. This notification shall include the date on which the bankruptcy petition was filed, the identity of the court in which the bankruptcy petition was filed, and a listing of all District contracts against which final payment has not been made. This obligation remains in effect until final payment under this Contract. (b) Termination. This contract is cancellable and subject to immediate termination by the District upon the contractor's insolvency, including the filing of proceedings in bankruptcy.

CHOICE-OF-LAW: The Agreement, any dispute, claim, or controversy relating to the Agreement, and all the rights and obligations of the parties shall, in all respects, be interpreted, construed, enforced and governed by and under the laws of the State of South Carolina, except its choice of law rules. As used in this paragraph, the term "Agreement" means any transaction or agreement arising out of, relating to, or contemplated by the solicitation.

CONTRACT DOCUMENTS & ORDER OF PRECEDENCE: (a) Any contract resulting from this solicitation shall consist of the following documents: (1) a Record of Negotiations, if any, executed by you and the CFO, (2) documentation regarding the clarification of an offer, if applicable, (3) the solicitation, as amended, (4) modifications, if any, to your offer, if accepted by the Child Nutrition Director and the CFO, (5) your offer, (6) any statement reflecting the District's final acceptance (a/k/a "award"), and (7) purchase orders. These documents shall be read to be consistent and complimentary. Any conflict among these documents shall be resolved by giving priority to these documents in the order listed above. (b) The terms and conditions of documents (1) through (6) above shall apply notwithstanding any additional or different terms and conditions in either (i) a purchase order or other instrument submitted by the District or (ii) any invoice or other document submitted by Contractor. Except as otherwise allowed herein, the terms and conditions of all such documents shall be void and of no effect. (c) No contract, license, or other agreement containing contractual terms and conditions will be signed by the District. Any document signed or otherwise agreed to by persons other than the CFO or designee shall be void and of no effect.

DISCOUNT FOR PROMPT PAYMENT: (a) Discounts for prompt payment will not be considered in the evaluation of offers. However, any offered discount will form a part of the award, and will be taken if payment is made within the discount period indicated in the offer by the Offeror. As an alternative to offering a discount for prompt payment in conjunction with the offer, Offerors awarded contracts may include discounts for prompt payment on individual invoices. (b) In connection with any discount offered for prompt payment, time shall be computed from the date of the invoice. If the Contractor has not placed a date on the invoice, the due date shall be calculated from the date the designated billing office receives a proper invoice, provided the District annotates such invoice with the date of receipt at the time of receipt. For the purpose of computing the discount earned, payment shall be considered to have been made on the date that appears on the payment check or, for an electronic funds transfer, the specified payment date. When the discount date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or a legal holiday when Federal

Government offices are closed and Government business is not expected to be conducted, payment may be made on the following business day.

DISPUTES: (1) Choice-of-Forum. All disputes, claims, or controversies relating to the Agreement shall be resolved exclusively by the appropriate Chief Financial Officer in accordance with Title 11, Chapter 35, Article 17 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, or in the absence of jurisdiction, only in the Court of Common Pleas for, or a federal court located in, Spartanburg County, State of South Carolina. Contractor agrees that any act by the Government regarding the Agreement is not a waiver of either the Government's sovereign immunity or the Government's immunity under the Eleventh Amendment of the United States Constitution. As used in this paragraph, the term "Agreement" means any transaction or agreement arising out of, relating to, or contemplated by the solicitation. (2) Service of Process. Contractor consents that any papers, notices, or process necessary or proper for the initiation or continuation of any disputes, claims, or controversies relating to the Agreement; for any court action in connection therewith; or for the entry of judgment on any award made, may be served on Contractor by certified mail (return receipt requested) addressed to Contractor at the address provided as the Notice Address on Page Two or by personal service or by any other manner that is permitted by law, in or outside South Carolina. Notice by certified mail is deemed duly given upon deposit in the United States mail.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY: Contractor is referred to and shall comply with all applicable provisions, if any, of Title 41, Part 60 of the Code of Federal Regulations, including but not limited to Sections 60-1.4, 60-4.2, 60-4.3, 60-250.5(a), and 60-741.5(a), which are hereby incorporated by reference.

FALSE CLAIMS: According to the S.C. Code of Laws § 16-13-240, "a person who by false pretense or representation obtains the signature of a person to a written instrument or obtains from another person any chattel, money, valuable security, or other property, real or personal, with intent to cheat and defraud a person of that property is guilty" of a crime.

NO INDEMNITY OR DEFENSE: Any term or condition is void to the extent it requires the District to indemnify, defend, or pay attorney's fees to anyone for any reason anyone.

NOTICE: (A) After award, any notices shall be in writing and shall be deemed duly given (1) upon actual delivery, if delivery is by hand, (2) upon receipt by the transmitting party of automated confirmation or answer back from the recipient's device if delivery is by telex, telegram, facsimile, or electronic mail, or (3) upon deposit into the United States mail, if postage is prepaid, a return receipt is requested, and either registered or certified mail is used. (B) Notice to contractor shall be to the address identified on Cover Page. Notice to the District shall be to the CFO's address on the Cover Page. Either party may designate a different address for notice by giving notice in accordance with this paragraph.

OPEN TRADE REPRESENTATION: *During the contract term, including any renewals or extensions, Contractor will not engage in the boycott of a person or an entity based in or doing business with a jurisdiction with whom South Carolina can enjoy open trade, as defined SC Code Section 11-35-5300.*

PAYMENT & INTEREST: (a) Unless otherwise provided in this Solicitation, the District shall pay the Contractor, after the submission of proper invoices or vouchers, the prices stipulated in this contract for supplies delivered and accepted or services rendered and accepted, less any deductions provided in

this contract. Unless otherwise specified herein, including the purchase order, payment shall not be made on partial deliveries accepted by the District. (b) Unless otherwise provided herein, including the purchase order, payment will be made by check mailed to the payment address on "page Two." (c) Notwithstanding any other provision, payment shall be made in accordance with S.C. Code Section 11-35-45 or Chapter 6 of Title 29 (real property improvements) when applicable, which provides the Contractor's exclusive means of recovering any type of interest from the Owner. Contractor waives imposition of an interest penalty unless the invoice submitted specifies that the late penalty is applicable. Except as set forth in this paragraph, the District shall not be liable for the payment of interest on any debt or claim arising out of or related to this contract for any reason. (d) Amounts due to the District shall bear interest at the rate of interest established by the South Carolina Comptroller General pursuant to Section 11-35-45 ("an amount not to exceed fifteen percent each year"), as amended unless otherwise required by Section 29-6-30 (e) Any other basis for interest, including but not limited to general (pre- and post-judgment) or specific interest statutes, including S.C. Code Ann. § 34-31-20, are expressly waived by both parties. If a court, despite this agreement and waiver, requires that interest be paid on any debt by either party other than as provided by items (c) and (d) above, the parties further agree that the applicable interest rate for any given calendar year shall be the lowest prime rate as listed in the first edition of the Wall Street Journal published for each year, applied as simple interest without compounding.

PAYMENT FOR GOODS AND SERVICES: Payment for goods and services received by the District shall be processed in accordance with the District Procurement Code. A purchase order will be issued and must be referenced on all invoices presented for payment. No prepayment or partial payment will be made to the contract for material stored or labor performed until the project is complete and approved by the District.

PUBLICITY: Contractor shall not publish any comments or quotes from District employees, or include the District in either news releases or a published list of customers, without the prior written approval of the Procurement Officer.

PURCHASE ORDERS: Contractor shall not perform any work prior to the receipt of a purchase order from the district. The district shall order any supplies or services to be furnished under this contract by issuing a purchase order. Purchase orders may be used to elect any options available under this contract, e.g., quantity, item, delivery date, payment method, but are subject to all terms and conditions of this contract. Purchase orders may be electronic. No particular form is required. An order placed pursuant to the purchasing card provision qualifies as a purchase order. Purchase order number must be clearly stated on each carton or package, shipping ticket, invoice and any/all other information related to the order.

SURVIVAL OF OBLIGATIONS: The Parties' rights and obligations which, by their nature, would continue beyond the termination, cancellation, rejection, or expiration of this contract shall survive such termination, cancellation, rejection, or expiration, including, but not limited to, the rights and obligations created by the following clauses: Indemnification - Third Party Claims, Intellectual Property Indemnification, and any provisions regarding warranty or audit.

SWMBE PARTICIPATION: Spartanburg County School District Four encourages SWMBE businesses to participate in the Solicitation process. All business conducted with SWMBE businesses certified by the South Carolina Governor's Office of Small and Minority Business Assistance is recorded in an annual report

submitted to the Board of Trustees. In order to be included in this report, you must submit a copy of your certificate with your bid.

TAXES: Any tax the contractor may be required to collect or pay upon the sale, use or delivery of the products shall be paid by the District, and such sums shall be due and payable to the contractor upon acceptance. Any personal property taxes levied after delivery shall be paid by the District. It shall be solely the District's obligation, after payment to contractor, to challenge the applicability of any tax by negotiation with, or action against, the taxing authority. Contractor agrees to refund any tax collected, which is subsequently determined not to be proper and for which a refund has been paid to contractor by the taxing authority. In the event that the contractor fails to pay, or delays in paying, to any taxing authorities, sums paid by the District to contractor, contractor shall be liable to the District for any loss (such as the assessment of additional interest) caused by virtue of this failure or delay. Taxes based on Contractor's net income or assets shall be the sole responsibility of the contractor.

TERMINATION: Subject to the conditions below, the District, providing a (30) thirty-day advance written notice is given to the vendor, may terminate the contract for any reason.

NON-APPROPRIATIONS: Any contract entered into by the District resulting from this bid invitation shall be subject to cancellation without damages or further obligation when funds are not appropriated or otherwise made available to support continuation of performance in a subsequent fiscal period or appropriated year.

FOR CONVENIENCE: In the event that this contract is terminated or canceled upon request and for the convenience of the District without the required thirty (30) days advance written notice, then the District may negotiate reasonable termination costs, if applicable.

FOR CAUSE: Termination by the District for cause, default or negligence on the part of the vendor shall be excluded from the foregoing conditions; termination costs, if any, shall not apply. The thirty (30) days advance notice requirement is waived and the default clause in this bid shall apply.

DEFAULT: In case of default by the vendor, the District reserves the right to purchase any or all items in default in the open market, charging the vendor with any additional costs. The defaulting vendor shall not be considered a responsible bidder until the assessed charge has been satisfied.

TERMINATION DUE TO UNAVAILABILITY OF FUNDS: Payment and performance obligations for succeeding fiscal periods shall be subject to the availability and appropriation of funds therefore. When funds are not appropriated or otherwise made available to support continuation of performance in a subsequent fiscal period, the contract shall be canceled. In the event of a cancellation pursuant to this paragraph, contractor will be reimbursed the resulting unamortized, reasonably incurred, nonrecurring costs. Contractor will not be reimbursed any costs amortized beyond the initial contract term.

THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARY: This Contract is made solely and specifically among and for the benefit of the parties hereto, and their respective successors and assigns, and no other person will have any rights, interest, or claims hereunder or be entitled to any benefits under or on account of this Contract as a third party beneficiary or otherwise.

WAIVER: The District does not waive any prior or subsequent breach of the terms of the Contract by making payments on the Contract, by failing to terminate the Contract for lack of performance, or by failing to strictly or promptly insist upon any term of the Contract. Only the CFO has actual authority to waive any of District's rights under this Contract. Any waiver must be in writing.

VII. TERMS AND CONDITIONS – B. SPECIAL

CHANGES: (1) Contract Modification. By a written order, at any time, and without notice to any surety, the Procurement Officer may, subject to all appropriate adjustments, make changes within the general scope of this contract in any one or more of the following:

(a) Drawings, designs, or specifications, if the supplies to be furnished are to be specially manufactured for the District in accordance therewith;

(b) Method of shipment or packing;

(c) Place of delivery;

(d) Description of services to be performed;

(e) Time of performance (i.e., hours of the day, days of the week, etc.); or,

(f) Place of performance of the services.

Subparagraphs (a) to (c) apply only if supplies are furnished under this contract. Subparagraphs (d) to (f) apply only if services are performed under this contract.

(2) Adjustments of Price or Time for Performance. If any such change increases or decreases the contractor's cost of, or the time required for, performance of any part of the work under this contract, whether or not changed by the order, an adjustment shall be made in the contract price, the delivery schedule, or both, and the contract modified in writing accordingly. Any adjustment in contract price made pursuant to this clause shall be determined in accordance with the Price Adjustment Clause of this contract. Failure of the parties to agree to an adjustment shall not excuse the contractor from proceeding with the contract as changed, provided that the District promptly and duly make such provisional adjustments in payment or time for performance as may be reasonable. By proceeding with the work, the contractor shall not be deemed to have prejudiced any claim for additional compensation, or an extension of time for completion.

(3) Time Period for Claim. Within 30 days after receipt of a written contract modification under Paragraph (1) of this clause, unless such period is extended by the CFO in writing, the contractor shall file notice of intent to assert a claim for an adjustment. Later notification shall not bar the contractor's claim unless the District is prejudiced by the delay in notification.

(4) Claim Barred After Final Payment. No claim by the contractor for an adjustment hereunder shall be allowed if notice is not given prior to final payment under this contract.

CISG: The parties expressly agree that the UN Convention on the International Sale of Goods shall not apply to this agreement.

COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS: During the term of the contract, contractor shall comply with all applicable provisions of laws, codes, ordinances, rules, regulations, and tariffs.

CONTRACTS: Every resulting contract is subject to all terms of the District procurement code including limitations as to duration, rights of the district to terminate and means of dispute resolution. No resulting contract is renewable except to the extent provided in the solicitation. No vendor terms take precedence over the solicitation and the District's procurement code.

CONTRACT LIMITATIONS: No sales may be made pursuant to this contract for any item or service that is not expressly listed. No sales may be made pursuant to this contract after expiration of this contract. Violation of this provision may result in termination of this contract and may subject contractor to suspension or debarment.

CONTRACTOR'S LIABILITY INSURANCE (GENERAL):

(a) Without limiting any of the obligations or liabilities of Contractor, Contractor shall procure from a company or companies lawfully authorized to do business in South Carolina and with a current A.M. Best rating of no less than A: VII, 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 and the results of that work by the contractor, his agents, representatives, employees or subcontractors.

(b) Coverage shall be at least as broad as:

(1) Commercial General Liability (CGL): Insurance Services Office (ISO) Form CG 00 01 12 07 covering CGL on an "occurrence" basis, including products-completed operations, personal and advertising injury, with limits no less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence. If a general aggregate limit applies, the general aggregate limit shall be twice the required occurrence limit. This contract shall be considered to be an "insured contract" as defined in the policy.

(2) Auto Liability: ISO Form Number CA 00 01 covering any auto (Code 1), or if Contractor has no owned autos, hired, (Code 8) and non-owned autos (Code 9), with limits no less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury and property damage.

(3) Worker's Compensation: As required by the State of South Carolina, with Statutory Limits, and Employer's Liability Insurance with limit of no less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury or disease.

(c) The District and its officers, officials, employees and volunteers must be covered as additional insureds on the CGL policy with respect to liability arising out of work or operations performed by or on behalf of the Contractor including materials, parts or equipment furnished in connection with such work or operations. General liability coverage can be provided in the form of an endorsement to the Contractor's insurance at least as broad as ISO Form CG 20 10 11 85 or if not available, through the addition of both CG 20 10 and CG 20 37 if a later edition is used.

(d) For any claims related to this contract, the Contractor's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance as respects the District and its officers, officials, employees and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the District and its officers, officials, employees and volunteers shall be excess of the Contractor's insurance and shall not contribute with it.

(e) Prior to commencement of the work, the Contractor shall furnish the District with original certificates and amendatory endorsements or copies of the applicable policy language effecting coverage required by this section. All certificates are to be received and approved by the District before work commences. However, failure to obtain the required documents prior to the work beginning shall not waive the Contractor's obligation to provide them. The District reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements required by this section, at any time.

(f) Should any of the above described policies be cancelled before the expiration date thereof, notice will be delivered in accordance with the policy provisions. In addition, the Contractor shall notify the District immediately upon receiving any information that any of the coverages required by this section are or will be changed, cancelled, or replaced.

(g) Contractor hereby grants to the District and all of its officers, officials, employees and volunteers a waiver of any right to subrogation which any insurer of said Contractor may acquire against the District by virtue of the payment of any loss under such insurance. Contractor agrees to obtain any endorsement that may be necessary to effect this waiver of subrogation, but this provision applies regardless of whether or not the District has received a waiver of subrogation endorsement from the insurer.

(h) Any deductibles or self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by the District. The District may require the Contractor to purchase coverage with a lower deductible or retention or provide proof of ability to pay losses and related investigations, claim administration, and defense expenses within the retention.

(i) The District reserves the right to modify these requirements, including limits, based on the nature of the risk, prior experience, insurer, coverage, or other special circumstances.

CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL: The Contractor shall enforce strict discipline and good order among the Contractor's employees and other persons carrying out the Contract. Contractor personnel shall present a professional appearance at all times while on District property. Personnel shall be neat, clean, well groomed, properly uniformed, and conduct themselves in a respectable and courteous manner and display proper identification. The Contractor shall not permit employment of unfit persons or persons not skilled in tasks assigned to them. No forms of tobacco products, alcohol, and drugs, guns, knives, or other weapons are allowed on the District's premises.

The District reserves the right to prohibit any individual employee of the Contractor from providing services on District property or at District events if the District determines, in its sole discretion, that such employee poses a threat to the safety or well-being of students, District/school personnel, or others.

CONTRACTOR'S OBLIGATION – GENERAL: The contractor shall provide and pay for all materials, tools, equipment, labor and professional and non-professional services, and shall perform all other acts and supply all other things necessary, to fully and properly perform and complete the work. The contractor must act as the prime contractor and assume full responsibility for any subcontractor's performance. The contractor will be considered the sole point of contact with regard to all situations, including payment of all charges and the meeting of all other requirements.

CONTRACTOR'S USE OF DISTRICT PROPERTY: Upon termination of the contract for any reason, the District shall have the right, upon demand, to obtain access to, and possession of, all District properties, including, but not limited to, current copies of all District application programs and necessary

documentation, all data, files, intermediate materials and supplies held by the contractor. Contractor shall not use, reproduce, distribute, display, or sell any data, material, or documentation owned exclusively by the District without the District's written consent, except to the extent necessary to carry out the work.

DEFAULT: (a)(1) The District may, subject to paragraphs (c) and (d) of this clause, by written notice of default to the Contractor, terminate this contract in whole or in part if the Contractor fails to-

(i) Deliver the supplies or to perform the services within the time specified in this contract or any extension;

(ii) Make progress, so as to endanger performance of this contract (but see paragraph (a)(2) of this clause);
or

(iii) Perform any of the other material provisions of this contract (but see paragraph (a)(2) of this clause).

(2) The District's right to terminate this contract under subdivisions (a)(1)(ii) and (1)(iii) of this clause, may be exercised if the Contractor does not cure such failure within 10 days (or more if authorized in writing by the CFO) after receipt of the notice from the Procurement Officer specifying the failure.

(b) If the District terminates this contract in whole or in part, it may acquire, under the terms and in the manner the CFO considers appropriate, supplies or services similar to those terminated, and the Contractor will be liable to the District for any excess costs for those supplies or services. However, the Contractor shall continue the work not terminated.

(c) Except for defaults of subcontractors at any tier, the Contractor shall not be liable for any excess costs if the failure to perform the contract arises from causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor. Examples of such causes include (1) acts of God or of the public enemy, (2) acts of the State in either its sovereign or contractual capacity, (3) fires, (4) floods, (5) epidemics, (6) quarantine restrictions, (7) strikes, (8) freight embargoes, and (9) unusually severe weather. In each instance the failure to perform must be beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor.

(d) If the failure to perform is caused by the default of a subcontractor at any tier, and if the cause of the default is beyond the control of both the Contractor and subcontractor, and without the fault or negligence of either, the Contractor shall not be liable for any excess costs for failure to perform, unless the subcontracted supplies or services were obtainable from other sources in sufficient time for the Contractor to meet the required delivery schedule.

(e) If this contract is terminated for default, may require the Contractor to transfer title and deliver to the District, as directed by the CFO, any (1) completed supplies, and (2) partially completed supplies and materials, parts, tools, dies, jigs, fixtures, plans, drawings, information, and contract rights (collectively referred to as "manufacturing materials" in this clause) that the Contractor has specifically produced or acquired for the terminated portion of this contract. Upon direction of the Procurement Officer, the Contractor shall also protect and preserve property in its possession in which the District has an interest.

(f) The District shall pay contract price for completed supplies delivered and accepted. The Contractor and CFO shall agree on the amount of payment for manufacturing materials delivered and accepted and for the protection and preservation of the property; if the parties fail to agree, the CFO shall set an amount subject to the Contractor's rights under the Disputes clause. Failure to agree will be a dispute under the

Disputes clause. The District may withhold from these amounts any sum the CFO determines to be necessary to protect the District against loss because of outstanding liens or claims of former lien holders.

(g) If, after termination, it is determined that the Contractor was not in default, or that the default was excusable, the rights and obligations of the parties shall, if the contract contains a clause providing for termination for convenience of the District, be the same as if the termination had been issued for the convenience of the District. If, in the foregoing circumstances, this contract does not contain a clause providing for termination for convenience of the District, the contract shall be adjusted to compensate for such termination and the contract modified accordingly subject to the contractor's rights under the Disputes clause.

(h) The rights and remedies of the District in this clause are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this contract.

DEFECTIVE GOODS: Any item delivered in an unacceptable condition will not be accepted. Successful bidder agrees to pay for return shipment of goods that arrive in a defective or inoperable condition. Offeror must agree to arrange for return shipment of damaged goods.

ESTIMATED QUANTITY - PURCHASES FROM OTHER SOURCES: The District may bid separately any unusual requirements or large quantities of supplies covered by this contract.

ESTIMATED QUANTITY – UNKNOWN: The total quantity of purchases of any individual item on the contract is not known. The District does not guarantee that the District will buy any specified item or total amount. The omission of an estimated purchase quantity does not indicate a lack of need but rather a lack of historical information.

ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION: (An overview is available at www.procurement.sc.gov) By signing your offer, you certify that you will comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14 of the South Carolina Code of Laws and agree to provide to the District upon request any documentation required to establish either: (a) that Title 8, Chapter 14 is inapplicable to you and your subcontractors or sub-subcontractors; or (b) that you and your subcontractors or sub-subcontractors are in compliance with Title 8, Chapter 14. Pursuant to Section 8-14-60, "A person who knowingly makes or files any false, fictitious, or fraudulent document, statement, or report pursuant to this chapter is guilty of a felony, and, upon conviction, must be fined within the discretion of the court or imprisoned for not more than five years, or both." You agree to include in any contracts with your subcontractor's language requiring your subcontractors to (a) comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14, and (b) include in their contracts with the sub-subcontractor's language requiring the sub-subcontractors to comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14.

INDEMNIFICATION - THIRD PARTY CLAIMS - GENERAL: Notwithstanding any limitation in this agreement, and to the fullest extent permitted by law, Contractor shall defend and hold harmless Indemnitees for and against any and all suits or claims of any character (and all related damages, settlement payments, attorneys' fees, costs, expenses, losses or liabilities) by a third party which are attributable to bodily injury, sickness, disease or death, or to injury to or destruction of tangible property arising out of or in connection with the goods or services acquired hereunder or caused in whole or in part by any act or omission of contractor, its subcontractors, their employees, workmen, servants, agents, or anyone directly or indirectly employed by them or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable, regardless of whether or not caused in part by an Indemnitee, and whether or not such claims are made by a third party or an

Indemnitee; however, if an Indemnitee's negligent act or omission is subsequently determined to be the sole proximate cause of a suit or claim, the Indemnitee shall not be entitled to indemnification hereunder. Contractor shall be given timely written notice of any suit or claim. Contractor's obligations hereunder are in no way limited by any protection afforded under workers' compensation acts, disability benefits acts, or other employee benefit acts. This clause shall not negate, abridge, or reduce any other rights or obligations of indemnity which would otherwise exist. The obligations of this paragraph shall survive termination, cancelation, or expiration of the parties' agreement. This provision shall be construed fairly and reasonably, neither strongly for nor against either party, and without regard to any clause regarding insurance. As used in this clause, "Indemnitees" means Spartanburg county School District Four, its instrumentalities, agencies, departments, boards, and all their respective officers, agents and employees.

INDEMNIFICATION - THIRD PARTY CLAIMS – DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION: (a) Without limitation, Contractor shall defend and hold harmless Indemnitees from and against any and all suits, claims, investigations, or fines (hereinafter "action") of any character (and all related damages, settlement payments, attorneys' fees, costs, expenses, losses or liabilities) by a third party which arise out of or in connection with a disclosure of District information (as defined in the clause titled Information Security – Definitions) cause in whole or in part by any act or omission of contractor, its subcontractors at any tier, their employees, workmen, servants, agents, or anyone directly or indirectly employed by them or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable, regardless of whether or not caused in part by an Indemnitee, and whether or not such action is brought by a third party or an Indemnitee, but only if the act or omission constituted a failure to perform some obligation imposed by the contract or the law.

(b) Indemnitee must notify contractor in writing within a reasonable period of time after Indemnitee first receives written notice of any action. Indemnitee's failure to provide or delay in providing such notice will relieve contractor of its obligations under this clause only if and to the extent that such delay or failure materially prejudices contractor's ability to defend such action. Indemnitee must reasonably cooperate with contractor's defense of such actions (such cooperation does not require and is without waiver of an Indemnitees attorney/client, work product, or other privilege_ and, subject to Title 1, Chapter 7 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, allow contractor sole control of the defense, so long as the defense is diligently and capably prosecuted. Indemnitee may participate in contractor's defense of any action at its own expense. Contractor may not, without Indemnitee's prior written consent, settle, compromise, or consent to the entry of any judgment in any such commenced or threatened action unless such settlement, compromise or consent: (i) includes an unconditional release of Indemnitee from all liability related to such commenced or threatened action, and (ii) is solely monetary in nature and does not include a statement as to, or an admission of fault, culpability or failure to act by or on behalf of, an Indemnitee or otherwise adversely affect an Indemnitee. Indemnitee's consent is necessary for any settlement that requires Indemnitee to part with any right or make any payment or subjects Indemnitee to any injunction.

(c) Notwithstanding any other provision, contractor's obligations pursuant to this clause are without any limitation whatsoever. Contractor's obligations under this clause shall survive the termination, cancellation, rejection, or expiration of the contract. This provision shall be construed fairly and reasonably, neither strongly for nor against either party, and without regard to any clause regarding insurance.

(d) "Indemnitee" means the Spartanburg School District Four, its instrumentalities, agencies, departments, boards, political subdivisions and all their respective officers, agents and employees.

INDEMNIFICATION INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY: (a) Without limitation and notwithstanding any provision in this agreement, Contractor shall, upon receipt of notification, defend and indemnify the

District, its instrumentalities, agencies departments, boards, political subdivisions and all their respective officers, agents and employees against all actions, proceedings or claims of any nature (and all damages, settlement payments, attorneys' fees (including inside counsel), costs, expenses, losses or liabilities attributable thereto) by any third party asserting or involving an IP right related to an acquired item. The District shall allow Contractor to defend such claim so long as the defense is diligently and capably prosecuted. The District shall allow Contractor to settle such claim so long as (i) all settlement payments are made by Contractor, and (ii) the settlement imposes no non-monetary obligation upon the District. The District shall reasonably cooperate with Contractor's defense of such claim.

(b) In the event an injunction or order shall be obtained against the District's use of any acquired item, or if in Contractor's opinion, the acquired item is likely to become the subject of a claim of infringement or violation of an IP right, Contractor shall, without in any way limiting the foregoing, and at its expense, either: (1) procure for the District the right to continue to use, or have used, the acquired item, or (2) replace or modify the acquired item so that it becomes non-infringing but only if the modification or replacement does not adversely affect the specifications for the acquired item or its use by the District. If either (1) nor (2), above, is practical, the District may require that Contractor remove the acquired item from the District, refund to the District any charges paid by District therefore, and take all steps necessary to have the District released from any further liability.

(c) Contractor's obligations under this paragraph do not apply to a claim to the extent (i) that the claim is caused by Contractor's compliance with specifications furnished by the District unless Contractor knew its compliance with the District's specifications would infringe an IP right, or (ii) that the claim is caused by Contractor's compliance with specifications furnished by the District if the District knowingly relied on a third party's IP right to develop the specifications provided to Contractor and failed to identify such product to Contractor.

(d) As used in this paragraph, these terms are defined as follows: "IP right(s)" means a patent, copyright, trademark, trade secret, or any other proprietary right. "Acquired item(s)" means the rights, goods, or services furnished under this agreement. "Specification(s)" means a detailed, exact statement of particulars such as a statement prescribing materials, dimensions, and quality of work.

(e) Contractor's obligations under this clause shall survive the termination, cancellation, rejection, or expiration of this Agreement.

INSTALLATION: Price includes the equipment being delivered, uncrated, removal of all material, set in place, leveled if applicable, sanitized and ready for final connections by others.

LICENSES AND PERMITS: During the term of the contract, the Contractor shall be responsible for obtaining, and maintaining in good standing, all licenses (including professional licenses, if any), permits, inspections and related fees for each or any such licenses, permits and /or inspections required by the State, county, city or other government entity or unit to accomplish the work specified in this solicitation and the contract.

MATERIAL AND WORKMANSHIP: Unless otherwise specifically provided in this contract, all equipment, material, and articles incorporated in the work covered by this contract are to be new and of the most suitable grade for the purpose intended.

OFFSHORE CONTRACTING PROHIBITED: No part of the resulting contract from this solicitation may be performed offshore of the United States by persons located offshore of the United State or by means, methods, or communications that, in whole or in part, take place offshore of the United States. Work that will be performed offshore by the Offeror and/or its subcontractors must be identified in the Offeror's response.

PRICE ADJUSTMENTS: (1) Method of Adjustment. Any adjustment in the contract price made pursuant to a clause in this contract shall be consistent with this Contract and shall be arrived at through whichever one of the following ways is the most valid approximation of the actual cost to the Contractor (including profit, if otherwise allowed):

(a) By agreement on a fixed price adjustment before commencement of the pertinent performance or as soon thereafter as practicable;

(b) By unit prices specified in the Contract or subsequently agreed upon;

(c) by the costs attributable to the event or situation covered by the relevant clause, including profit if otherwise allowed, all as specified in the Contract; or subsequently agreed upon;

(d) in such other manner as the parties may mutually agree; or,

(e) in the absence of agreement by the parties, through a unilateral initial written determination by the Procurement Officer of the costs attributable to the event or situation covered by the clause, including profit if otherwise allowed, all as computed by the Procurement Officer in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, subject to the provisions of Title 11, Chapter 35, Article 17 of the S.C. Code of Laws.

(2) Submission of Price or Cost Data. Upon request of the CFO, the contractor shall provide reasonably available factual information to substantiate that the price or cost offered, for any price adjustments is reasonable, consistent with the provisions of Section 11-35-1830.

PRICE ADJUSTMENT - LIMITED -- AFTER INITIAL TERM ONLY: Upon approval of the Procurement Officer, prices may be adjusted for any renewal term. Prices shall not be increased during the initial term. Any request for a price increase must be received by the CFO at least ninety (90) days prior to the expiration of the applicable term and must be accompanied by sufficient documentation to justify the increase. If approved, a price increase becomes effective starting with the term beginning after approval. A price increase must be executed as a change order. Contractor may terminate this contract at the end of the then current term if a price increase request is denied. Notice of termination pursuant to this paragraph must be received by the CFO no later than fifteen (15) days after the Procurement Officer sends contractor notice rejecting the requested price increase.

PRICE ADJUSTMENTS – LIMITED BY CPI “OTHER GOODS & SERVICES”: Upon request and adequate justification, the CFO may grant a price increase up to, but not to exceed, the unadjusted percent change for the most recent 12 months for which data is available, that is not subject to revision, in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for all urban consumers (CPI-U), “Other Goods & Services” for services, as determined by the CFO.

PRICING DATA – AUDIT – INSPECTION): [Clause Included Pursuant to Section 11-35-1830, - 2210, & -2220] (a) Cost or Pricing Data. Upon CFO's request, you shall submit cost or pricing data, as defined by 48 C.F.R. Section 2.101 (2004), prior to either (1) any award to contractor pursuant to 11-35-1530 or 11-35-1560, if the total contract price exceeds \$500,000, or (2) execution of a change order or contract modification with contractor which exceeds \$100,000. Your price, including profit or fee, shall be adjusted to exclude any significant sums by which the District finds that such price was increased because you

furnished cost or pricing data that was inaccurate, incomplete, or not current as of the date agreed upon between parties. (b) Records Retention. You shall maintain your records for three years from the date of final payment, or longer if requested by the CFO. The District may audit your records at reasonable times and places. As used in this subparagraph (b), the term “records” means any books or records that relate to cost or pricing data submitted pursuant to this clause. In addition to the obligation stated in this subparagraph (b), you shall retain all records and allow any audits provided for by 11-352220(2). (c) Inspection. At reasonable times, the District may inspect any part of your place of business which is related to performance of the work. (d) Instructions Certification. When you submit data pursuant to subparagraph (a), you shall (1) do so in accordance with the instructions appearing in Table 15-2 of 48 C.F.R. Section 15.408 (2004) (adapted as necessary for the District context), and (2) submit a Certificate of Current Cost or Pricing Data, as prescribed by 48 CFR Section 15.406-2(a) (adapted as necessary for the District context). (e) Subcontracts. You shall include the above text of this clause in all of your subcontracts. (f) Nothing in this clause limits any other rights of the District.

REBATES BONUSES, AND OTHER FINANCIAL BENEFITS: All rebates, bonuses, discounts or other financial benefits derived from the procurement process must accrue to the District’s nonprofit school food service account as defined in 7CFR 210.21(f). Allowable costs will be paid from the nonprofit school food service account to the contractor net of all discounts, rebates, and applicable credits accruing to or received by the contractor or any assignee under the contract, to the extent those credits are allowable to the allowable portion of the costs billed to the District.

RELATIONSHIP OF THE PARTIES: Neither party is an employee, agent, partner, or joint venturer of the other. Neither party has the right or ability to bind the other to any agreement with a third party or to incur any obligation or liability on behalf of the other party.

RELATIONSHIP OF USING GOVERNMENTAL UNITS: Each using governmental unit’s obligations and liabilities are independent of every other using governmental unit’s obligations and liabilities. No using governmental unit shall be responsible for any other using governmental unit’s act or failure to act.

SHIPPING / RISK OF LOSS: F.O.B. Destination. Destination is the shipping dock of the District’s designated receiving site, or other location, as specified herein.

TERM OF CONTRACT – EFFECTIVE DATE / INITIAL CONTRACT PERIOD: The effective date of this contract is the first day of the Maximum Contract Period as specified on the final statement of award. The initial term of this agreement is one (1) year from the effective date. Regardless, this contract expires no later than the last date stated on the final statement of award. Prices submitted in response to this solicitation shall remain firm during the initial term.

TERM OF CONTRACT – OPTION TO RENEW: (a) At the end of the initial term, and at the end of each renewal term, the District reserves the right to extend the contract for a period not to exceed up to four (4) additional one (1) year period(s) upon the mutual agreement of both parties and provided prices remain the same for the extended one-year period(s). Regardless, this contract expires no later than the last date stated on the final statement of award.

TERMINATION: Subject to the provisions herein, the contract may be terminated for any reason by the school district providing a thirty (30) day advance notice in writing is given to the contractor.

TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE:

(1) Termination. The CFO may terminate this contract in whole or in part, for the convenience of the District. The CFO shall give written notice of the termination to the contractor specifying the part of the contract terminated and when termination becomes effective.

(2) Contractor's Obligations. The contractor shall incur no further obligations in connection with the terminated work and on the date set in the notice of termination the contractor will stop work to the extent specified. The contractor shall also terminate outstanding orders and subcontracts as they relate to the terminated work. The contractor shall settle the liabilities and claims arising out of the termination of subcontracts and orders connected with the terminated work. The CFO may direct the contractor to assign the contractor's right, title, and interest under terminated orders or subcontracts to the District. The contractor must still complete the work not terminated by the notice of termination and may incur obligations as are necessary to do so.

(3) Right to Supplies. The CFO may require the contractor to transfer title and deliver to the District in the manner and to the extent directed by the CFO: (a) any completed supplies; and (b) such partially completed supplies and materials, parts, tools, dies, jigs, fixtures, plans, drawings, information, and contract rights (hereinafter called "manufacturing material") as the contractor has specifically produced or specially acquired for the performance of the terminated part of this contract. The contractor shall, upon direction of the Procurement Officer, protect and preserve property in the possession of the contractor in which the District has an interest. If the Procurement Officer does not exercise this right, the contractor shall use best efforts to sell such supplies and manufacturing materials in accordance with the standards of Uniform Commercial Code Section 2-706. Utilization of this Section in no way implies that the District has breached the contract by exercise of the Termination for Convenience Clause.

(4) Compensation. (a) The contractor shall submit a termination claim specifying the amounts due because of the termination for convenience together with cost or pricing data required by Section 11-35-1830 bearing on such claim. If the contractor fails to file a termination claim within one year from the effective date of termination, the CFO may pay the contractor, if at all, an amount set in accordance with Subparagraph (c) of this Paragraph.

(b) The CFO and the contractor may agree to a settlement and that the settlement does not exceed the total contract price plus settlement costs reduced by payments previously made by Spartanburg School District Four, the proceeds of any sales of supplies and manufacturing materials under Paragraph (3) of this clause, and the contract price of the work not terminated;

(c) Absent complete agreement under Subparagraph (b) of this Paragraph, the CFO shall pay the contractor the following amounts, provided payments agreed to under Subparagraph (b) shall not duplicate payments under this Subparagraph:

- (i) contract prices for supplies or services accepted under the contract;
- (ii) costs reasonably incurred in performing the terminated portion of the work less amounts paid or to be paid for accepted supplies or services;

(iii) reasonable costs of settling and paying claims arising out of the termination of subcontracts or orders pursuant to Paragraph (2) of this clause. These costs must not include costs paid in accordance with Subparagraph (c)(ii) of this paragraph;

(iv) any other reasonable costs that have resulted from the termination. The total sum to be paid the contractor under this Subparagraph shall not exceed the total contract price plus the reasonable settlement costs of the contractor reduced by the amount of payments otherwise made, the proceeds of any sales of supplies and manufacturing materials under Subparagraph (b) of this Paragraph, and the contract price of work not terminated.

(d) Contractor must demonstrate any costs claimed, agreed to, or established under Subparagraphs (b) and (c) of this Paragraph using its standard record keeping system, provided such system is consistent with any applicable Generally Accepted Accounting Principles.

(5) Contractor's failure to include an appropriate termination for convenience clause in any subcontract shall not (i) affect the District's right to require the termination of a subcontract, or (ii) increase the obligation of the District beyond what it would have been if the subcontract had contained an appropriate clause.

TERM OF CONTRACT – TERMINATION BY CONTRACTOR: Contractor may terminate this contract at the end of the initial term, or any renewal term, by providing the CFO notice of its election to terminate under this clause at least ninety (90) days prior to the expiration of the then current term.

VIII. BIDDING SCHEDULE / PRICE-BUSINESS PROPOSAL

SCHOOL DISTRICTS FRESH PRODUCE PROGRAM

BIDDER'S/COMPANY NAME: _____

The contractor shall not incur any expenses until the contract has been awarded. An award requires that either the contract be signed by both the awarding authority and the contractor or when a purchase order has been issued.

REPRESENTATIVE ASSIGNED TO DISTRICT:

Name: _____

Address of Contact: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Fax Number: _____

Email Address: _____

	School Food Authority:	Point of Origin	Offerer Name:					
	Spartanburg County	For purposes of submitting an Offer, the references in this column shall be considered part of the required product specifications.	Firm Fixed Fee					
	School District Four		Vendor	Bid Qty	Bid	Unit	Unit Price	Total
Item #	Description		Pack	Bid Qty	Unit	Price	plus Fee	Price
Fresh Produce and Fresh Eggs								
1	Apples, Gala WAFancy Layered Pack not bulk pack	WA	125 CT.	50	Cs			
2	Apples, Golden Delicious WAFancy Layered not bulk pack	WA	125 CT.		Cs			
3	Apples, Granny Smith WAFancy Layered Pack not bulk pack	WA	125 CT.	50	Cs			
4	Apples, Red Delicious WAFancy Layered Pack not bulk pack	WA	125 CT.	50	Cs			
5	Bananas, IP Premium Label Dole/Del Monte/Chiquita	NON DOMESTIC	150 CT	200	Cs			
6	Bananas Premium Label Dole/ Del Monte /Chiquita	NON DOMESTIC	40 #	60	Cs			
7	Broccoli Crowns	CA	20 #		Cs			
8	Broccoli Florets	CA/TN/GA/SC/MD	4/3 #	200	Cs			
9	Cabbage, Green, Made from US #1 grade	SC/NC/GA/FL	50#		Cs			
10	Cabbage, Red, Shredded	CA	4/5 #		Cs			
11	Cabbage, Green, Shredded	CA	4/5 #		Cs			
12	Cantaloupe US #1 grade	FL/GA/NC/SC/CA/AZ	15 CT.	60	Cs			
13	Carrots US #1 grade	CA/TN/GA/SC/MD	25 #		Cs			
14	Carrots, Baby Whole	CA/TN/GA/SC/MD	4/5#	30	Cs			
15	Carrots, Shredded	CA	4/5#		Cs			

16	Carrot Sticks	CA	4/5#		Cs		
17	Cauliflower	CA	12 CT.		Cs		
18	Cauliflower Florets	CA	4/3 #	30	Cs		
19	Celery Stalks	CA	30 CT.		Cs		
20	Celery Sticks	CA	4/5 #		Cs		
21	Cucumbers US #1 SMALL SELECT	GA/FL/NC/SC/MI/NJ	10 #	50	Cs		
22	Grapes, Red, Seedless US Fancy Table MED LARGE	CA / NON DOMESTIC	18 #	50	Cs		
23	Grapes, White, Seedless US Fancy Table MED LARGE	CA / NON DOMESTIC	18 #	50	Cs		
24	Honeydew Melons US #1 grade	CA/AZ/NON DOMESTIC	8 CT.	20	Cs		
25	Kale US #1 grade	SC/CA/GA	24 CT.		Cs		
26	Kiwi, US #1 grade	SC/CA/ NON DOMESTIC	39 CT.		Cs		
27	Lemons 200 ct. US Choice	CA	12 CT.	10	Cs		
28	Lettuce, Cello US #1 grade	CA	24 CT.		Cs		
29	Lettuce, Shredded	CA	4/5 #	80	Cs		
30	Onions, Green Iceless	CA/TN/GA/SC/MD	4/2 #		Cs		
31	Onions, Yellow US #1 grade	OR/ID/CO/NY/TX	50 #	25	Cs		
32	Oranges 113 Choice	CA	113 CT.	100	Cs		
33	Pears, Anjou US #1 Grade	WA/CA	120 CT		Cs		
34	Pepper, Bell, Medium US #1 Grade	GA/FL/NC/SC/MI/NJ/NO N DOMESTIC	5 #	100	Cs		
35	Pineapple, Golden Ripe Dole, Del-Monte	NON DOMESTIC	7 CT	40	Cs		

36	Potatoes, Baking US #1 Grade	ID/WI	70 CT.	130	Cs			
37	Potatoes, Baking US #1 Grade	ID/WI	90 CT.		Cs			
38	Potatoes, Sweet US #1 Grade	SC/NC/MS	40 #	40	Cs			
39	Radishes US #1 Grade	FL/NJ	14/1#		Cs			
40	Romaine, Chopped US #1 Grade	CA	6/2 #		Cs			
41	Salad Mix 50 / 50 Blend Romaine / Iceberg	CA	4/5 #	250	Cs			
42	Spinach, Fresh US #1 Grade	CA	12/10 OZ		Cs			
43	Squash, Yellow US #2 grade	FL/GA/NC/SC	20 #		Cs			
44	Strawberries US #1 Grade	FL/GA/SC	8/1 #		Cs			
45	Tomatoes, 6x6 US #1 Grade	SC/NC/FL/VA	25 #	80	Cs			
46	Tomatoes, 6X6 US #1 Grade	SC/NC/FL/VA	10 #		Cs			
47	Tomatoes, Cherry US #1 Grade	SC/NC/FL/VA	12-PTS.		Cs			
48	Tomatoes, Grape US #1	SC/NC/FL/VA	12-PTS.	50	Cs			
49	Watermelon Seedless 15-18# Average US #1 Grade	FL/GA/NC/SC/NON DOMESTIC	1 EACH		EA			
50	Zuchinni, US #2 grade	FL/GA/NC/SC	20 #		CS			
51	Eggs, Fresh Large, White, Grade A	VA/SC	30 DOZ		Cs			
52	Greens, Collards , Chopped	SC	2/6 #		Cs			
							Subtotal	\$-

IX. ATTACHMENTS TO SOLICITATION

- A.** Reference Sheet
- B.** Minority Participation Affidavit
- C.** Offeror's Checklist
- D.** School Calendar

ATTACHMENT A

REFERENCES:

Reference One

Company Name: _____

Address: _____

Contact Person: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Reference Two

Company Name: _____

Address: _____

Contact Person: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Reference Three

Company Name: _____

Address: _____

Contact Person: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

ATTACHMENT B

MINORITY PARTICIPATION AFFIDAVIT

Is the bidder a South Carolina Certified Minority Business? Yes No

Is the bidder a Minority Business certified by another governmental entity? Yes No

If so, please list the certifying governmental entity: _____

Will any of the work under this contract be performed by a SC certified Minority Business as a subcontractor? Yes No

If so, what percentage of the total value of the contract will be performed by a SC certified Minority Business as a subcontractor? _____

Will any of the work under this contract be performed by a minority business certified by another governmental entity as a subcontractor? Yes No

If so, what percentage of the total value of the contract will be performed by a minority business certified by another governmental entity as a subcontractor? _____

If a certified Minority Business is participating in this contract, please indicate all categories for which the Business is certified:

- Traditional minority
- Traditional minority, but female
- Women (Caucasian females)
- Hispanic minorities
- DOT referral (Traditional minority)
- DOT referral (Caucasian female)
- Temporary certification
- SBA 8 (a) certification referral
- Other minorities (Native American, Asian, etc.)

(If more than one minority contractor will be utilized in the performance of this contract, please provide the information above for each minority business.)

The Department of Administration, Division of Small and Minority Business Contracting and Certification, publishes a list of certified minority firms. The Minority Business Directory is available at the following URL: <http://osmba.sc.gov/directory.html>

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ATTACHMENT C

OFFEROR'S CHECKLIST

AVOID COMMON MISTAKES!

(Review this checklist prior to submitting your offer)

- ✓ COMPLETED & SIGNED ALL REQUIRED DOCUMENTS.
- ✓ MAKE SURE YOUR OFFER DOES NOT TAKE EXCEPTION TO ANY OF THE DISTRICT'S MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS!
- ✓ MAKE SURE YOU HAVE PROPERLY MARKED ALL PROTECTED, CONFIDENTIAL OR TRADE SECRET INFORMATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE INSTRUCTIONS: "SUBMITTING CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION." DO NOT MARK YOUR ENTIRE RESPONSE AS CONFIDENTIAL, TRADE SECRET OR PROTECTED! DO NOT INCLUDE A LEGEND ON THE COVER STATING THAT YOUR ENTIRE RESPONSE IS NOT TO BE RELEASED!
- ✓ PROPERLY ACKNOWLEDGED ALL AMENDMENTS?
- ✓ MAKE SURE THAT YOUR OFFER INCLUDES THE SOLICITATION COVER PAGE. MAKE SURE THE COVER PAGE IS SIGNED BY A PERSON THAT IS AUTHORIZED TO CONTRACTUALLY BIND YOUR BUSINESS.
- ✓ MAKE SURE YOUR OFFER INCLUDES THE NUMBER OF COPIES REQUESTED.
- ✓ CHECK TO ENSURE YOUR OFFER INCLUDES EVERYTHING REQUESTED!
- ✓ IF YOU HAVE CONCERNS ABOUT THE SOLICITATION, DO NOT RAISE THOSE CONCERNS IN YOUR RESPONSE! AFTER OPENING, IT IS TOO LATE! IF THIS SOLICITATION INCLUDES A QUESTION & ANSWER PERIOD OR A PRE-SOLICITATION CONFERENCE, RAISE YOUR QUESTIONS AS PART OF THAT PROCESS.

This checklist is included only as a reminder to help offerors avoid common mistakes. Responsiveness will be evaluated against the solicitation, not against this checklist. You do not need to return this checklist with your offer.

SUBMIT WITH OFFER:

1. Cover Page
2. Quote/Bid Schedule
3. Attachment A Minority Participation Affidavit
4. Completed W-9 (if needed)

ATTACHMENT D

2026

Spartanburg County School District Four

2027

Modified Year Round Calendar

July 2026						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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August 2026						
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September 2026						
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October 2026						
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November 2026						
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December 2026						
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JULY 2026
 3 July 4th Holiday
 30-31 Staff Development

AUGUST 2026
 3-5 Staff Development
 6 First Day of School

SEPTEMBER 2026
 7 Labor Day Holiday
 9 Interims

OCTOBER 2026
 2 Staff Development
 9 End of 1st Grading Period/45th Day
 14 Report Cards
 15-16 Fall Break

NOVEMBER 2026
 2 Staff Development
 3 Election Day Holiday
 11 Interims
 25-27 Thanksgiving Holiday

DECEMBER 2026
 18 End of 2nd Grading Period
 21-31 Christmas/Winter Holiday

JANUARY 2027
 1-3 Winter Holiday
 4 Staff Development
 5 Students Return
 6 90th Day/Report Cards
 18 MLK Holiday

FEBRUARY 2027
 3 Interims
 15-19 Mid-Winter Break

MARCH 2027
 12 End of 3rd Grading Period
 15 Staff Development
 17 Report Cards
 19 135th Day

APRIL 2027
 5-9 Spring Break
 21 Interims

MAY 2027
 26 Half Day for students
 27 Half Day for students
 28 Last Student Day/Half Day for students (final report cards issued or mailed)
 31 Holiday

JUNE 2027
 1 Staff Development
 18 Juneteenth Holiday

Designated inclement weather days: Jan. 4, Mar. 15, and June 1. Additional days will be addressed, as needed.

Spartanburg District Four is a SCDE approved eLearning district. Currently the provision allows up to (5) days in eLearning. These are not planned days on the calendar.

LEGEND	
	First/Last Day of School
	School Holiday
	Report Cards
	Staff Development



January 2027						
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March 2027						
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April 2027						
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May 2027						
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June 2027						
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