



Austintown Local Schools
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Request for Bid
2018-2019 School Year

Dear Company,

We thank you for your interest in bidding your products and services for the Austintown Local School District (ALSD) Food Service Department for the 2018-2019 school year.

The bidding process will close on May 4th, 2018. We encourage our bidders to fill out the bidding packet electronically and print out the completed forms to physically sign when finished. Electronic bid packets are available on our department website AFFoodServices.com.

Bids must be turned into the Treasurer's office in a sealed and labeled envelope by 10 A.M. on Friday May 4th. All bids will be opened at 11 A.M. on May 4th. The public is welcomed to attend the bid opening; however, physical bids will not be shared with the attendees. The Austintown Local School District will make a final decision on the accepted bid by the May or June 2018 Board of Education Meeting (date to be determined).

When sending the completed bid packet, please address it as follows:

Austintown Local School District
Attention: _____(item) Bid for 2018-2019
Arthur J. Ginnetti III, Treasurer
700 South Raccoon Road
Austintown, OH 44515

Please fill out all the areas of the bid completely to ensure the best evaluation of the bid.

Pizza companies, please see attached information about taste testing event.

If you have any questions regarding the bid packet, please contact the ALSD Food Service Director at 330-797-3900 x2031.

Thank you,

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General Specifications for Bids

General Scope

Austintown Local School District (ALSD) wants to encourage fair and open competition amongst its vendors. As such, we invite companies to submit their bids in a professional and honest fashion. Per Title 2 CFR (Code of Federal Regulations) 200.318-320, this Invitation for Bid (IFB) is created with a goal of obtaining an adequate number of vendor bids and the ALSD will award the contract to the lowest responsible bidder who meets the stated needs and objectives of this bid.

School Locations

Austintown Fitch High School	4560 Falcon Drive	Austintown, OH 44515
Austintown Middle School	800 S. Raccoon Road	Austintown, OH 44515
Austintown Intermediate School	225 Idaho Road - Lloyd Loop	Austintown, OH 44515
Austintown Elementary School	245 Idaho Road - Lynn Kirk Loop	Austintown, OH 44515
Austintown Early Learning Center	4211 Evelyn Road	Youngstown, OH 44511

Product Lists

ALSD strives to award one contract to the most responsible bidder. However, if we feel it necessary to award individual line items, based on the needs of our food service operation, we may do so. Complete the attached Proposal Form completely. If there are additional items or conditions that your company wishes to propose, you may attach them to the completed packet.

Item Quantities

The estimated quantities listed in the Proposal Form are based on the 2017-2018 school year. We cannot guarantee these quantities for the 2018-2019 school year or guarantee a minimum quantity for your company.

Quality

The quality of all items supplied to the ALSD must meet or exceed the quality of the items listed in the bid. If for any reason the integrity of these items is compromised, ALSD reserves the right to discontinue the relationship and seek appropriate items from a qualifying vendor. ALSD Food Service Department will review items upon delivery and will refuse any items that do not meet the expected standards.

Dairy items shall be delivered with ample usage dates. For fluid milk, it is expected that the milk should have a Best If Used By date that is 7 days or longer from the delivery date. ALSD may refuse fluid milk products that have a compromised Best If Used By date or that is not feasible to sell in an appropriate period. Other dairy products shall follow the same accord, displaying a Best If Used By date that offers an appropriate length of time for use.

By submitting a bid, your Company acknowledges their adherence to all local, state, and federal laws and regulations. Specifically, all laws and regulations (where applicable) set forth by the following: your Company's local county Board of Health, the Mahoning County Board of Health, Ohio Department of Health and Ohio Department of Agriculture, United States Department of Agriculture, Food and Drug Administration, the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act, and the Food And Drug Administration Pasteurized Milk Ordinance (PMO).



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Geographical Preference

The ALSD believes in working with our community to support and provide for our students and families. Although it is not a disqualifying attribute if your company is not based in Austintown, we may give preference to businesses that are located within our township. Geographic location will be considered among the other aspects of the bid, such as price, service, responsiveness, etc.

Nutrition Requirements and Formulation Statements

All food items that contribute to the meat/meat alternative, grain, and dairy components of a reimbursable meal in the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) MUST be accompanied by a nutrition or formulations specification sheet. The sample Formulation Statements in this packet may be used or you may submit your own documentation with all the necessary information, including Nutrition Facts Labels. Please use 1 (one) set of formulation statements for each food item that you bid (for example: cheese pizza should have a grain statement and a meat/meat alternative statement, pepperoni pizza should have its own statements, etc.). It is also helpful to have this documentation electronically for our program should your company be awarded the contract. All applicable food items, regardless of meal components, should meet the nutrition standards of the National School Lunch Program (NSLP). Complete Nutrition Facts Panels must also be submitted in addition to the Formulation Statements. For reference to the required meal pattern and nutrition requirements in the NSLP please visit: [Title 2 CFR 210.10 Meal requirement for lunches](#)

Taste Testing (pizza)

There will be a taste testing night for pizza products. We will be inviting pizza companies to submit 2 party cut, cheese pizzas (1 regular crust, 1 whole grain crust) for a tasting event on May 2nd, 2018 before bids are opened. District administrators and students will have the chance to give input on the taste of these pizza products. More information to come. Please share your interest in participating with our office before submitting your bid packet.

Proposed Pricing

Prices shall remain firm for the entire 2018-2019 school year. Delivery costs, equipment, and any other costs should be incorporated into the price of each line item. Simply stated, the ALSD will not be charged and will not pay for any additional costs, fees or taxes. The price of each item listed on the Proposal Form by your Company must be the full and complete price. If a price change is inevitable, your Company agrees to notify the Food Service Director in writing and by phone call to discuss the changes. If the changes are unsuitable for the ALSD, we reserve the right to discontinue the relationship.

Payment

An itemized physical invoice must accompany each delivery to each school building. Each building cafeteria manager will sign the invoice upon successfully receiving their delivery. In order to submit a full payment, ALSD must have a physical (or electronic) copy of all invoices for every delivery, which match the monthly statement. Payments will be made by the ALSD Food Service Department on a monthly basis. Statements for all invoices are due by the 1st of the following month (for example, all February invoices should be on an itemized statement and delivered to ALSD Food Service Department by March 1st). The Food Service Department prefers to receive monthly statements electronically sent to our department email.

Proposal Form

Please fill out the proposal form completely. If there is an item that is not offered by your company please indicate by placing N/A (not applicable) in those fields. If your company needs to further explain a product or condition about a line item, those details may be attached to the final packet.

Company Name: _____



Pizza Bid Requests

2018-2019 School Year

Austintown Schools Food Service Department

The following are requests from the Austintown Local School District Food Service Department. These requests are made with thoughtfulness in how our Food Service Department will be best served regarding products, services, deliveries, nutritional requirements, equipment, invoices & statements, etc. Your Company's ability to fulfill these requests will be considered in the final bidding decision. If you contract out your delivery services, you must acknowledge and take consideration for their ability to meet these requests.

The Austintown Local School District requests the following:

- Deliveries to each of the 5 Austintown Local School buildings (Fitch High, Middle, Intermediate, Elementary, and Early Learning Center)? Each building has a different pizza day on the menu. This may include providing a delivery to two of our schools on the same day.
Yes No Comments: _____
- Flexible delivery times? Each school operates on different bell schedules that effect the start of lunch time. Are you able to be flexible to the needs of each school's changing lunch time? (For example, 2 hour delay schedule, 2 hour early release schedule)
Yes No Comments: _____
- Pizza for all schools on a weekly or bi-weekly basis depending on our lunch menu.
Yes No Comments: _____
- Square, 12 slice pizzas (half sheet pan) on **your** Company's pans; delivered on speed racks to each school. (We are requesting this to reduce waste from pizza boxes and to eliminate the possibilities that the pizza boxes will not fit in our warmers and ovens).
Yes No Comments: _____
- Pick up of the pizza pans after lunch service or on the following school day.
Yes No Comments: _____
- Nutritionally compliant pizza (complete the attached Formulation Specification sheet). This includes being able to provide 51% whole grain crust or regular pizza crust based on the district's ability to obtain a whole grain waiver and enough meat/meat alternative components and red-orange vegetables.
Yes No Comments: _____
- Electronic itemized statements, broken down by each school building, for all pizza deliveries by the 1st day of the following month? (For example: all February invoices on an itemized statement delivered to the Food Service Department via email by March 1st).
Yes No Comments: _____
- Physical itemized invoices provided for each delivery to each school? This must be given to the cafeteria manager to sign upon each delivery.
Yes No Comments: _____

Company Name: _____



Pizza Bid Requests

2018-2019 School Year

Austintown Schools Food Service Department

9. Is your company able to produce an electronic copy of an invoice should we need another copy?

Yes

No

Comments: _____

Additional Comments:

Formulation Statement for Documenting Grains in School Meals
Required Beginning SY 2013-2014
(Crediting Standards Based on Grams of Creditable Grains)

School Food Authorities (SFAs) should include a copy of the label from the purchased product package in addition to the following information on letterhead signed by an official company representative. Grain products may be credited based on previous standards through SY 2012-2013. The new crediting standards for grains (as outlined in Policy Memorandum SP 30-2012) must be used beginning SY 2013-2014. SFAs have the option to choose the crediting method that best fits the specific needs of the menu planner.

Product Name: _____ Code No.: _____

Manufacturer: _____ Serving Size _____
 (raw dough weight may be used to calculate creditable grain amount)

I. Does the product meet the Whole Grain-Rich Criteria: Yes____ No____
(Refer to SP 30-2012 Grain Requirements for the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program.)

II. Does the product contain non- creditable grains: Yes____ No____ **How many grams:**____
(Products with more than 0.24 oz equivalent or 3.99 grams for Groups A-G or 6.99 grams for Group H of non-creditible grains may not credit towards the grain requirements for school meals.)

III. Use Policy Memorandum SP 30-2012 Grain Requirements for the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program: Exhibit A to determine if the product fits into Groups A-G (baked goods), Group H (cereal grains) or Group I (RTE breakfast cereals). *(Different methodologies are applied to calculate servings of grain component based on creditable grains. Groups A-G use the standard of 16grams creditable grain per oz eq; Group H uses the standard of 28grams creditable grain per oz eq; and Group I is reported by volume or weight.)*

Indicate to which Exhibit A Group (A-I) the Product Belongs: _____

Description of Creditable Grain Ingredient*	Grams of Creditable Grain Ingredient per Portion ¹	Gram Standard of Creditable Grain per oz equivalent (16g or 28g) ²	Creditable Amount
	A	B	A ÷ B
Total Creditable Amount³			

*Creditable grains are whole-grain meal/flour and enriched meal/flour.

¹ (Serving size) X (% of creditable grain in formula). Please be aware that serving sizes other than grams must be converted to grams.

² Standard grams of creditable grains from the corresponding Group in Exhibit A.

³Total Creditable Amount must be rounded **down** to the nearest quarter (0.25) oz eq. Do **not** round up.

Total weight (per portion) of product as purchased _____

Total contribution of product (per portion) _____ oz equivalent

I certify that the above information is true and correct and that a ___ ounce portion of this product (ready for serving) provides___ oz equivalent Grains. I further certify that non-creditible grains **are not** above 0.24 oz eq. per portion. Products with more than 0.24 oz equivalent or 3.99 grams for Groups A-G or 6.99 grams for Group H of non-creditible grains may not credit towards the grain requirements for school meals.

Signature

Title

Printed Name

Date

Phone Number

Formulation Statement for Documenting Grains in School Meals
Required Beginning SY 2013-2014
(Crediting Standards Based on Revised Exhibit A)
weights per oz equivalent

School Food Authorities (SFAs) should include a copy of the label from the purchased product carton in addition to the following information on letterhead signed by an official company representative. Grain products may be credited based on previous standards through SY 2012-2013. The new crediting standards for grains (as outlined in Policy Memorandum SP 30-2012) must be used beginning SY 2013-2014. SFAs have the option to choose the crediting method that best fits the specific needs of the menu planner.

Product Name: _____ Code No.: _____

Manufacturer: _____ Serving Size: _____

I. Does the product meet the Whole Grain-Rich Criteria: Yes ___ No ___
(Refer to SP 30-2012 Grain Requirements for the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program.)

II. Does the product contain non-creditable grains: Yes ___ No ___ **How many grams:** ___
(Products with more than 0.24oz equivalent or 3.99 grams for Groups A-G and 6.99 grams for Group H of non-creditable grains may not credit towards the grain requirements for school meals.)

III. Use Policy Memorandum SP 30-2012 Grain Requirements for the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program: Exhibit A to determine if the product fits into Groups A-G (baked goods), Group H (cereal grains) or Group I (RTE breakfast cereals). *(Please be aware that different methodologies are applied to calculate servings of grain component based on creditable grains. Groups A-G use the standard of 16 grams creditable grain per oz eq; Group H uses the standard of 28 grams creditable grain per oz eq; and Group I is reported by volume or weight.)*

Indicate which Exhibit A Group (A-I) the Product Belongs: _____

Description of Product per Food Buying Guide	Portion Size of Product as Purchased A	Weight of one ounce equivalent as listed in SP 30-2012 B	Creditable Amount A ÷ B
Total Creditable Amount¹			

¹ Total Creditable Amount must be rounded **down** to the nearest quarter (0.25) oz eq. Do **not** round up.

Total weight (per portion) of product as purchased _____

Total contribution of product (per portion) _____ oz equivalent

I further certify that the above information is true and correct and that a ___ ounce portion of this product (ready for serving) provides ___ oz equivalent Grains. I further certify that non-creditable grains **are not** above 0.24 oz eq. per portion. Products with more than 0.24 oz equivalent or 3.99 grams for Groups A-G or 6.99 grams for Group H of non-creditable grains may not credit towards the grain requirements for school meals.

Signature

Title

Printed Name

Date

Phone Number

Product Formulation Statement (Product Analysis) for Meat/Meat Alternate (M/MA) Products

Child Nutrition Program operators should include a copy of the label from the purchased product carton in addition to the following information on letterhead signed by an official company representative.

Product Name: _____ Code No.: _____

Manufacturer: _____ Case/Pack/Count/Portion/Size: _____

I. Meat/Meat Alternate

Please fill out the chart below to determine the creditable amount of Meat/Meat Alternate

Description of Creditable Ingredients per Food Buying Guide (FBG)	Ounces per Raw Portion of Creditable Ingredient	Multiply	FBG Yield/ Servings Per Unit	Creditable Amount *
		X		
		X		
		X		
A. Total Creditable M/MA Amount¹				

*Creditable Amount - Multiply ounces per raw portion of creditable ingredient by the FBG Yield Information.

II. Alternate Protein Product (APP)

If the product contains APP, please fill out the chart below to determine the creditable amount of APP. If APP is used, you must provide documentation as described in Attachment A for each APP used.

Description of APP, manufacture's name, and code number	Ounces Dry APP Per Portion	Multiply	% of Protein As-Is*	Divide by 18**	Creditable Amount APP***
		X		÷ by 18	
		X		÷ by 18	
		X		÷ by 18	
B. Total Creditable APP Amount¹					
C. TOTAL CREDITABLE AMOUNT (A + B rounded down to nearest 1/4 oz)					

*Percent of Protein As-Is is provided on the attached APP documentation.

**18 is the percent of protein when fully hydrated.

***Creditable amount of APP equals ounces of Dry APP multiplied by the percent of protein as-is divided by 18.

¹Total Creditable Amount must be rounded **down** to the nearest 0.25oz (1.49 would round down to 1.25 oz meat equivalent). Do **not** round up. If you are crediting M/MA and APP, you do not need to round down in box A (Total Creditable M/MA Amount) until after you have added the Total Creditable APP Amount from box B to box C.

Total weight (per portion) of product as purchased _____

Total creditable amount of product (per portion) _____

(Reminder: Total creditable amount cannot count for more than the total weight of product.)

I certify that the above information is true and correct and that a _____ ounce serving of the above product (ready for serving) contains _____ ounces of equivalent meat/meat alternate when prepared according to directions.

I further certify that any APP used in the product conforms to the Food and Nutrition Service Regulations (7 CFR Parts 210, 220, 225, 226, Appendix A) as demonstrated by the attached supplier documentation.

Signature

Title

Printed Name

Date

Phone Number



Company Name: _____

Pizza Proposal Form
 Estimated Quantities Based on the 2017-2018 School Year

*All Pizza items MUST equal 2 OZ equivalent Grains and 2 OZ equivalent Meat/Meat Alternative (represented on the Formulation Statement)

Pizza - Regular Crust

Unit	Item Type/Size	Description	Estimated Quantity (per year)	Proposed Unit Price (price per slice)	Total Price (per year)
1/2 Sheet	Square (12 slices)	Cheese	68,006		
1/2 Sheet	Square (12 slices)	Pepperoni	20,276		
1/2 Sheet	Square (12 slices)	White	5,328		

If you are unable to provide **square** pizzas please indicate your product's information here:

Unit	Item Type/Size	Description	Estimated Quantity (per year)	Proposed Unit Price (price per slice)	Total Price (per year)

Pizza - 51% Whole Grain Crust

Unit	Item Type/Size	Description	Estimated Quantity (per year)	Proposed Unit Price (price per slice)	Total Price (per year)
1/2 Sheet	Square (12 slices)	Cheese	68,006		
1/2 Sheet	Square (12 slices)	Pepperoni	20,276		
1/2 Sheet	Square (12 slices)	White	5,328		

If you are unable to provide **square** pizzas please indicate your product's information here:

Unit	Item Type/Size	Description	Estimated Quantity (per year)	Proposed Unit Price (price per slice)	Total Price (per year)

Other Pizza Products - rolls, knots, etc.

Unit	Item Type/Size	Description	Estimated Quantity (per year)	Proposed Unit Price	Total Price (per year)

You are welcome to attach more product and pricing information to the packet if there are products that you offer in addition to what is listed here. Pricing and nutritional information must accompany additional product information.



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Company Information

Company Name: _____

Company Address: _____

Company Phone Number: _____

Company Email : _____

Location Manager: _____

Location Phone Number: _____

Submitter Name: _____

Submitter Title: _____

I, the undersigned, acknowledge and confirm that the information filled out in this bid is complete and truthful to the best of my ability and I commit said Company to adhering to all requests and proposals made in this bid.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Printed Name: _____

*If completing bid electronically, please print bid and physically sign completed bid before submission.

_____ Please attach a complete and updated W-9 for our financial records