September 9, 2020

SHELBY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

PROCUREMENT SERVICES

3176 Jackson Avenue \Box Memphis, Tennessee 38112-4892 \Box Phone (901) 416-5550 (This bid will not be accepted electronically or by facsimile. <u>All bids must be mailed to the above address.</u>)

INVITATION FOR BID

(NOT AN ORDER)

Please submit Bids on the item(s) listed below. The right is reserved to reject any or all Bids. If substitutions are offered, give full particulars. The Bid must be submitted no later than **September 14, 2020** @ **11:00** A.M. CST.

The Shelby County Board of Education reserves the right to accept or reject any or all Bids, or any part thereof, and to waive any minor informalities and/or technicalities that are deemed to be in the best interest of the Shelby County Board of Education. Successful Bidders shall be paid only when delivery is complete. *For the appropriate purchases, all material data safety data sheets (MSDA) must accompany all shipments covered under Tennessee Hazardous Chemical Right to Know Law- Tennessee Public Chapter #417- House Bill #731.

<u>NUTRITION SERVICES</u> <u>CENTRAL NUTRITION CENTER ALL SCHOOL SITES</u> <u>2020-2021 SY PRODUCE (SEPTEMBER 14, 2020 – DECEMBER 16, 2020) – "FFVP BID"</u> <u>FRESH FRUITS & VEGETABLES "ALL SCHOOL SITES"</u>

The Shelby County Board of Education ("SCBE") is requesting bids for the purchase of **2020-2021 SY Produce** – Fresh Fruits & Vegetables – FFVP BID "ALL SCHOOL SITES," as indicated in the attached specifications. Bids <u>MUST</u> be received by Shelby County Schools ("SCS" or "District) by the due date and time set forth above.

Questions or requests for clarification of technical issues and terms pertaining to this Bid must be submitted in writing via e-mail to <u>taylorm15@scsk12.org</u>.

ISSUED BY: MARY TAYLOR

We propose to furnish the item(s) and/or services outlined in the Bid at prices quoted and guarantee safe delivery **F.O.B. delivered** and as specified. Bids are submitted with a declaration that no Shelby County Board of Education Member or employee has a financial or beneficial interest in this transaction.

NAME OF FIRM

PHONE #

FAX #

ZIP CODE

BID # 09092020

ADDRESS

EMAIL ADDRESS

AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE NAME

STATE

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PART I: SCOPE OF WORK

1.0 INTRODUCTION

This Invitation for Bid (IFB) is soliciting bids for the 2020-2021 SY Produce – "FFVP BID" Fresh Fruits & Vegetables – "ALL SCHOOL SITES."

Shelby County Board of Education is interested in:

- 1. Creating strong partnerships with direct suppliers of goods
- 2. Taking advantage of economies of scale to help reduce operating costs
- 3. Driving revenues through increased participation

Shelby County Board of Education serves approximately 92,000 reimbursable lunches daily and 53,000 reimbursable breakfasts. The district is allocated over 4.7 million dollars in USDA commodity entitlement.

2.0 BACKGROUND

Shelby County Schools (SCS) is Tennessee's largest public school district and is among the 25 largest public school districts in the United States. Formerly comprised of two smaller districts, Memphis City Schools and Shelby County Schools, SCS serves approximately 110,000 students in 207 schools. We employ more than 6,200 teachers and 6,000 support personnel to serve our unique student population, while, offering programming and services to fit the needs of all our students. Through our strategic plan - Destination 2025 – we are committed to working toward three goals: 80 percent of students are college or career ready, 90 percent of seniors graduate on time and 100 percent of graduates will enter college or a career. To reach these goals, SCS has placed a strong emphasis on early literacy, improvement of post-secondary readiness, developing strong teachers, leaders and support staff, expanding availability of high quality school options and working closely with families and community partners. SCS partners with almost 4,000 volunteers and 700 school adopters and community partners to increase student achievement and empower our community to strive.

3.0 SCOPE OF WORK

The SCBE requests bids for the **2020-2021 SY Produce – "FFVP BID" Fresh Fruits & Vegetables – "ALL SCHOOL SITES."** The specifications are contained in the Invitation for Bid. Responses submitted must meet or exceed all requirements. Bids that do not meet or exceed all requirements will be considered non-responsive. All exceptions must be noted.

4.0 NON-EXCLUSIVE

The intent of this contract is to provide the SCBE with an expedited means of procuring supplies and/or services at the lowest cost. This contract is for the convenience of the SCBE and is considered to be a "Non-Exclusive" use contract. The SCBE does not guarantee any usage. The SCBE will not be held to purchase any particular Brand, in any groups, prices or discount ranges, but reserves the right to purchase any item/items listed in the price schedule submitted.

PART II: GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1.0 STATEMENT OF CONFIDENTIALITY

It is understood and agreed that all information pertinent to this solicitation may contain trade secrets, which are confidential and proprietary. The selected vendor agrees not to disclose or knowingly use any confidential or proprietary information of the SCBE and/or third party participant.

Bid submissions are subject to the Tennessee Open Records Act (<u>Tenn. Code Ann. §10-7-503 et</u> <u>seq</u>). In accordance with the Act, certain information is subject to public disclosure. Please be advised that should you deem any portion of your bid as confidential or proprietary, it must be conspicuously indicated on those portions so deemed. However, and in accordance with the Act, you are hereby notified that every portion may still be subject to disclosure under the Act.

2.0 TERM OF AGREEMENT

The anticipated term of this contract shall be **between** (SEPTEMBER 14, 2020 – DECEMBER 16, 2020).

The bidder warrants that prices for the bid under this IFB are not higher than prices currently extended to any other governmental agency for the same product or service.

3.0 PRE-BID MEETING (N/A)

4.0 QUESTIONS AND INQUIRIES

No interpretation of the meaning of the specifications or other documents will be made to any Supplier orally. Questions shall be submitted in writing to the Point of Contact (see Part II, § 5.0). To be given consideration, the questions must be received **NO LATER THAN September 14, 2020 @ 11:00 a.m., CST.** Questions that are deemed to be substantive in nature will be responded to in the form of an addendum and posted on SCBE website http://www.scsk12.org/procurement/bids. Please do not submit question in PDF format.

Bid Posted	09/09/2020
Bid Advertised	09/09/2020
Questions Due	09/11/2020
Bids Opens	09/14/2020

5.0 POINT OF CONTACT

Mary Taylor, Buyer Procurement Office **E-mail: taylorm15@scsk12.org**

6.0 CONTRACT MONITOR / SCBE SUPERVISION

The Contractor's performance will be under the direction of the Buyer / Requesting Department who will be responsible for ensuring contractor's compliance with the requirements of this contract to include managing the daily activities of the contract, providing guidance to the contract, and coordination. The Contractor shall be accountable to the end users on all matters relating to the scope of work.

7.0 CONTRACT TYPE

The contract resulting from this solicitation will be a Fixed Price.

8.0 PAYMENT TERMS

Payments will be processed weekly based upon the bid price; signed delivery tickets stamped with the school cafeteria name and location code number; and a weekly (Monday through Friday) invoice from the vendor showing the school name.

The SCBE reserves the right to reduce or withhold contract payment in the event the Contractor does not provide the Department with all required deliverables within the timeframe specified in the contract or in the event that the Contractor otherwise materially breaches the terms and conditions of the contract.

9.0 INVITATION FOR BID (IFB) REVISIONS

Should it become necessary to revise any part of this IFB, addenda will be posted on SCBE (<u>http://www.scsk12.org/procurement/bids</u>). Failure of any offeror to receive or acknowledge receipt of such addenda or interpretation shall not relieve any offeror from any obligations under this IFB as amended by all addenda. All addenda so issued shall become part of the award.

10.0 SUBMISSION DEADLINE

In order to be eligible for consideration, bids must be received at the Central Nutrition Center (CNC) no later than **September 14, 2020** @ **11:00 a.m. CST, 3176 Jackson Avenue, Memphis, TN 38112.** Vendors mailing bids shall allow sufficient carrier delivery time to ensure timely receipt of their bid at the CNC prior to the deadline. Any bid received at the Central Nutrition Center after the submission deadline, <u>no matter what the reason</u>, will be returned unopened. **Bid responses delivered to any other location shall not constitute delivery to the Central Nutrition Center Office.**

11.0 BID OPENING

The SCBE shall receive sealed bids until the bid due date indicated on the bid front cover sheet. Bid tabulations will be posted to the Shelby County Board of Education's (SCBE) Web site at <u>www.scsk12.org</u> once completed. The SCBE shall then review all responses and analyze the results of the bidding process. A final recommendation shall be prepared for review and approval by the Procurement Director. Upon acceptance and approval of the bid(s) by the Procurement Director, the Director may grant its approval subject to such conditions as it may deem appropriate.

All bids shall be publicly opened at the Central Nutrition Center,, 3176 Jackson Avenue, Memphis, TN 38112 on the date specified on the bid. In the event of inclement weather on the due date of a bid and The SCBE is closed, the bid will be due and opened on the next business day at the same time as specified in the bid or applicable addendum.

12.0 DURATION OF BID

A bid submitted in response to this solicitation is binding upon the bidder and is considered irrevocable for a minimum of **120 days** following the closing date for receipt of initial bids.

13.0 E- COMMERCE

The Commercial Appeal, Daily News and <u>www.scsk12.org/procurement</u> Web site. This Web site also serves to publish any addenda, associated materials, bidder/offeror questions and the SCBE's responses, and other solicitation related information.

The successful bidder must be an active vendor in APECS to receive Purchase Orders and Payment. Instructions on how to register are detailed on the Procurement Web site @ http://www.scsk12.org/procurement, Doing Business with SCS.

SCBE does not discriminate in educational programs, activities or employment on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, religion or disability. Bidders will be required to comply with all applicable requirements pertaining to fair labor, state and local government.

14.0 INSURANCE

Failure to provide the required insurance coverage by either of the two (2) methods described in Appendix E when the bid is submitted may result in rejection of your bid as being non-responsive.

15.0 LIQUIDATED DAMAGES (N/A)

16.0 CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK/PHOTO IDENTIFICATION BADGE

In accordance with TN Code Ann. 49-5-413, unless explicitly excluded by statute; and pursuant to Shelby County Schools' requirements, Vendors (persons, corporations or other entities) whose employee(s), subcontractor(s), or representative(s) will come in contact or close proximity to SCS students during the course of business, must require their employee(s), subcontractor(s), or representative(s) to supply a fingerprint sample, submit to a criminal history records check to be conducted by the Shelby County Schools, Tennessee Bureau of Investigation, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and obtain Shelby County School's identification badge prior to permitting the person to have contact with the children or entering school grounds. The cost of fingerprinting, conducting the criminal records check, and obtaining a Shelby County Schools identification badge will be the sole responsibility of the Vendor for each of the Vendor's employees, subcontractors, or representatives. The Shelby County Schools identification badge shall be worn at all times by each of the Vendor's employees, subcontractors, or representatives at shirt pocket height while on Shelby County Schools' property. For more information regarding fingerprinting, conducting the criminal records check, and obtaining a Shelby County Schools identification badge prior to permitting the person to have contact with the vendor's employees, subcontractors, or representatives. The Shelby County Schools identification badge shall be worn at all times by each of the Vendor's employees, subcontractors, or representatives at shirt pocket height while on Shelby County Schools' property. For more information regarding fingerprinting, conducting the criminal records check, and obtaining a Shelby County Schools identification badge, please contact 901-416-4720.

SCS further reserves the right to audit the criminal history background records of any Vendor employee(s), subcontractor(s) or representative(s) having contact with SCS students. Audits may be conducted on a quarterly basis with 48 hours' prior notice. It is the Vendor's responsibility to ensure records are current and made available upon request to SCS. Failure to provide SCS access to current criminal history checks upon request could lead to Vendor debarment.

17.0 COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS

Offerors shall comply with all federal, state, and local laws, statutes, ordinances, rules, and regulations applicable to the services to be rendered under this Contract. An offeror's violation of any of these laws, statutes, ordinances, rules or regulations constitutes a breach of this Contract and entitles SCBE to terminate this Contract immediately upon delivery of written notice of termination to Offeror.

18.0 BONDING- (N/A)

19.0 TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Any contract entered in connection with this solicitation shall be subject to these General Terms and Conditions except as otherwise modified herein.

It shall be the Contractor's sole responsibility to insure they are compliant with all applicable federal, state, and county laws, rules, ordinances, statutes, etc., that may impact this contract. The SCBE shall bear no responsibility for monitoring the Contractor's compliance with said legal requirements. If the Contractor fails to maintain legal compliance, then SCBE may find said Contractor in default.

In the event of conflict between the General Terms and Conditions shall take precedence.

In the event of conflict between this solicitation any of the General Terms and Conditions proposed by any bidder, or incorporated in any acknowledgement of contract awarded to the successful bidder, then, and in such event, the terms and conditions stated herein shall take precedence unless modified in writing by the Procurement Director.

20.0 BASIS OF AWARD

This is an "All or None" Bid. The bid will be awarded by the lowest combined bottom line bid price for produce items meeting the specifications. Shelby County Board of Education reserve(s) the right to award or reject bids. Awards will be made by issuance of purchase orders from the Division of Procurement Services. Pricing shall remain firm for the initial term of the agreement.

21.0 PROTEST

RIGHT TO PROTEST: Prior to the commencement of an action in court concerning the controversy, any actual vendor who claims to be aggrieved in connection with a solicitation, the solicitation process, or a pending award of a contract may protest to the Buyer. The Procurement Director shall attempt to resolve informally all protests of award recommendations. Protests shall be submitted in writing within seven (7) days after such claimant knows or should know of the facts giving rise to the protest.

- 1. An aggrieved bidder of standing or an offeror may protest to the Buyer a proposed award of a contract for supplies, equipment, services, or maintenance. A bidder of standing is a bidder who would be directly next in line for an award should the protest be supported.
 - a. The protest shall be in writing addressed to the Buyer with a copy to the Procurement Director and shall include the following:
 - The name, address, and telephone number(s) of the protester
 - Identification of the solicitation
 - Statement of reasons for the protest
 - Supporting documentation to substantiate the claim
 - The remedy sought
- 2. The protest must be filed with the Procurement Office within seven (7) calendar days of the recommendation of award or notification to the bidder or offeror that their bid or Bid will be rejected.

- 3. A vendor who does not file a timely protest before the contract is executed by the Board is deemed to have waived any objection.
- 4. The Procurement Director shall inform the Chief of Business Operations (CBO) upon receipt of the protest.
- 5. The Procurement Director shall confer with the general counsel prior to issuance of a decision regarding disputes of contracts or awards.

Appeal of Contract Award Decision

- 1. The Procurement Director shall issue a decision in writing. Any decision of an award protest may be appealed to the CBO within seven (7) days of issuance of the decision by the Procurement Director.
- 2. Any decision of an award protest may be appealed to the Superintendent within seven (7) days of issuance of the decision by the Chief of Business Operations.
- 3. The Superintendent will evaluate the issues involved and render a decision. The decision of the Superintendent is final.

PART III: BID SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

1.0 GENERAL FORMAT

- A. Bidders shall submit bid pricing in Microsoft Office Excel 2007 Workbook format. A template worksheet will be provided by the Shelby County Board of Education. No other form will be considered. All Bidders must submit a Microsoft Office Excel 2007 Workbook file on an USB flash drive (readable by Microsoft Windows 7 version) as well as include copies of bid documents, bid worksheets and nutritionals/crediting statements and related documents. Also, bidders must provide a hard copy of bid worksheets typewritten as a backup and nutritionals. In case of errors in extensions, the unit price shall prevail. Electronic media shall bear a label on the outside containing the IFB number and name as well as the name of the Bidder and include all requested information and documents. SCBE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO CONTRACT IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF SCBE, AND TO REJECT ANY AND ALL BIDS AT ANY TIME PRIOR TO AWARD.
- B. Bid submission shall be labeled on the outside of each submitted package with the following:
 - 1. Bidder's name and business address;
 - 2. Bid Due Date / Time for receipt of Bids, and
 - 3. Invitation for Bid (IFB) number and Title
- C. Delivery of Bids: Each bidder <u>must</u> complete and return the following items in a sealed bid envelope no later than **11:00 a.m. C.S.T. on Wednesday, September 14, 2020.**
 - 1. Completed Invitation for Bid form
 - 2. Certification Regarding Lobbying (Appendix B)
 - 3. Completed Debarment Affidavit (Notarized) (Appendix C)
 - 4. Nutrient analysis of each item bid and End Product Data Sheets
 - 5. CN label or Crediting Statement or Product Formulation Statement for each item bid (if applicable)
 - 6. Vendor's GAP Like / GMP Practices / HACCP Program Letter
 - 7. Vendor (or) Manufacturer Julian Date Document (or) Shelf Life Document
 - 8. Completed Certificate of Insurance (Appendix D)
 - 9. Completed Pricing Confirmation (Appendix E)
 - 10. Buy American Certification / Waiver (Appendix F)
 - 11. Product Information Profile Form (Appendix G)
 - 12. Completed Addenda Acknowledgement form (Appendix H)
 - 13. Fully completed hard copy Bid Sheet on each item, typewritten
 - 14. A Microsoft Office Excel 2007 Workbook file on an USB flash drive (readable by Microsoft Windows 7 version), as well as include copies of Bid documents, bid worksheets and nutritionals / crediting statements and related documents.

Failure to provide any of the requested information or documents in this solicitation may render the bid non-responsive.

PART IV SCOPE OF SERVICES <u>2020-2021 SY_PRODUCE (SEPTEMBER 14, 2020 – DECEMBER 16, 2020) – "FFVP BID"</u> FRESH FRUITS & VEGETABLES – "ALL SCHOOL SITES" BID

1. Bid Period:

The undersigned agrees that if all or any part of this bid is accepted and one or more purchase orders are issued for delivery between (**SEPTEMBER 14, 2020 – DECEMBER 16, 2020**) they will supply any or all of the items upon which prices have been quoted in accordance with the specifications applying at that price set opposite each item.

- 2. <u>**Bid Opening Postponement Due to Unforeseen Events:**</u> If the operating status for Schools Administrative Office is closed, unscheduled leave, or delayed opening, bids and proposals will be due at the same time on the next business day. Pre-bid or pre-proposal conferences will be rescheduled at the earliest convenient day for the school system.
- 3. All vegetables must be U.S. #1 Grade and all fruits must be U.S. Fancy or #1, subject to market conditions at the time of shipment. Any deviations from these grades must be explicitly stated for each item. Proof of grade may be required with the successful vendor being responsible for any and all expense.
- 4. Purchase Orders: Items will be ordered on one or more purchase orders. Each purchase order will reflect the "Ship Lot" quantity specified and delivery date, and will be issued by the Division of Procurement Services as these items are required. The last shipment required on each item may be less than the "Ship Lot" quantity specified for the month of May. Prices quoted, however, must be firm for the bid quantities specified.

Each purchase order will remain active until the entire order has been received. Any shipment arriving without a purchase order, unless otherwise mutually agreed upon, may be refused at the vendor's expense.

- 5. Should any vendor fail to respond with a bid or not bid on three (3) consecutive invitations to bid, the vendor may be removed from the mailing list.
- 6. The Shelby County Board of Education encourages the participation of minority-owned businesses as prime supplier, second tier supplier, or as part of a joint venture or any other relationship.
- 7. <u>Standards of Identity</u>: All products must conform to U.S. minimum standards of identity as authorized by the Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act and the supporting regulations in 21 CFR. Failure to comply places the contractor in violation of the agreement with the school district as well as Federal Law.
- 8. The successful bidder agrees to pick up and issue credit for any excess and/or spoiled products delivered due to manufacturers / bidders negligence and/or error to a school or site, and prior to school holidays and school closing. A list of school holidays will be provided by the Supply Chain Manager.

- 9. As indicated on the pricing sheet, Shelby County Board of Education will use a geographical preference of 5% to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for bid evaluation purposes only when bidding minimally-processed, locally-grown-and-raised agricultural products. For this bid local is defined as agricultural products grown or raised within the state of Tennessee's borders or within a 260-mile geographical radius from the Central Nutrition Center (Award of Bid, p. 10).
- 10. All vegetables and fruits must not contain any chemical substances that would be harmful to children and adults.

11. **Delivery:**

Basic Services:

Deliveries **direct to the school sites** should be made between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. Monday OR Tuesday, based on district route schedule provided for each district region unless otherwise specified (Holiday, etc...). Deliveries must be made before 12:00 P.M. and <u>will not</u> be accepted during the lunch period.

- 12. Nutrition Services Supervisors and Central Nutrition Center staff members will determine the quantity to be ordered. Some schools may elect not to serve Fresh Vegetables and Fruits. The Board reserves the right to make changes during the year as deemed necessary.
- 13. Shelby County Board of Education shall have the power and authority to reject any and all materials furnished which, in its opinion, are not in strict compliance and conformity with the requirements of the specifications; equal in every respect to the bid, or to the sample submitted by the bidder. All merchandise rejected shall be promptly removed from the premises of the school/CNC at the bidder's expense. No substitutions (i.e. pack size, product quality, etc.) will be accepted unless prior written approval is obtained from Shelby County Board of Education or its authorized representative.
- 14. **Quantities:** The quantities given are the *approximate* amounts expected to be ordered by Shelby County Board of Education during the bid period. Inclusion of an item on the bid form does not necessarily constitute an offer to buy nor does it obligate Shelby County Board of Education to purchase any quantity of the product. It is hereby agreed and understood that the District has the right to <u>increase/reduce</u> the quantities ordered in conjunction with this request based on budgetary restriction, the receipt of government commodities, or unanticipated usage. However, SCBE will only purchase the quantity actually needed.
- 15. <u>Specifications</u>: All items offered must be in accordance with specifications. When applicable, all shall carry evidence of Underwriters' Laboratory (UL) listing and comply with the requirement of the Occupational Safety and Health Act, (OSHA). When applicable, delivered items must be accompanied by the Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS). If there are any formulation or pack size changes after the vendor's or manufacturer's brand has been approved, bidder must notify SCBE in writing with current nutritionals and get the product re-approved. If product packing, delivery and/or product transport style and packaging is to be different than specified in the bid, the Bidder must state the deviation. If the delivery and/or transporting of products is inconsistent with the bid specifications, this will result in at minimum the rejection of the shipment. Delivery of items not

meeting specifications is cause for removal from the list of acceptable Bidders and no payment will be made for the entire delivery. <u>NO PRODUCT WILL BE CONSIDERED FOR AN</u> <u>AWARD IF AN APPROVED NUTRITIONAL ANALYSIS SHEET, PRODUCT</u> <u>FORMULATION STATEMENT, CN LABEL OR CREDITING STATEMENT (IF</u> <u>APPLICABLE) AND SPECIFICATION SHEET DOES NOT ACCOMPANY THE BID</u> <u>PRICE</u>.

- 16. <u>Material Priced Incorrectly</u>: At any time during the term of this agreement, the contractor's or any subcontractor's books and records shall be subject to audit by the school district, state, or Federal government to the extent that the books and records relate to the performance of the contractor or subcontractor. As part of any award resulting from this process, the Vendor (s) will discount all transactions as agreed. In the event the Shelby County Board of Education discovers, through its contract monitoring process or formal audit process, that material was priced incorrectly, Vendors agree to promptly refund all overpayments and to pay all reasonable audit expenses incurred as a result of non-compliance.
- 17. Age and Condition of Items: Stocks shall be fresh and sound, prepared in properly equipped plants under modern sanitary conditions (GAP like practices) in accordance with the best commercial practice, and free from decay, discolorations or foreign matter. Containers are to be sound, clean, sturdy, and sealed. Opened or damaged packages will not be accepted. All refrigerated foods are to maintain a temperature of 40 degrees Fahrenheit or below, but not to go below 32 degrees Fahrenheit cold holding. ALL food items must have a minimum shelf life of five (5) days from delivery date. The date of evaluation for Shelf Life will be counted as thus: Items being received at 11:00 a.m. CST or before will be counted as day 1, Deliveries made after 11:00 a.m. CST will be counted as day 0 and the following day will begin day 1. Packages are to have uniform identification codes stamped on the sides or ends, and where at all possible product identification information needs to be visible without removing items from pallets. Brand, item, production code, expiration and/or production dates, and case count are to be clearly identified on master cases and boxes within master cases. All perishable items must have a minimum shelf life of five (5) days upon delivery. Freshness dating shall be legible on each individual item and each individual case. Any items received with a shelf life of less than indicated above will be refused or returned at the contractor's expense. A Julian Date Document or Shelf Life Document will be required as a part of this bid packet. This document is to provide backup of the Julian Date system used, or Shelf Life / Use-By / Expiration date system used by vendors and/or manufacturers.

18. **Inspection and Acceptance:** Inspection and acceptance of all items shall be upon delivery. Receiving Department (when delivering to the Central Nutrition Center) or Cafeteria Managers (when delivering to various school sites) will make a maximum effort and take appropriate action to ensure that a Quality Product is received at the time of delivery. Items found to be defective or not in accordance with the bid specifications shall be replaced by the Manufacturer at no cost to Shelby County Board of Education. If inspection cannot be reasonably conducted upon delivery, but subsequent inspection (within 48 hours of delivery) indicates defective or damaged product, or products not meeting bid specifications, SCBE shall notify Vendor and Vendor shall either replace all non-conforming items or credit SCBE the cost of the non-conforming items. Failures to replace items not meeting the bid specification and / or defective items shall be considered sufficient cause for default action under the DEFAULT provision of the agreement. All products that expire or become unusable due to defect within the shelf life requirements or date codes printed on the items will be documented and Vendor will be required to credit and/or remove product from SCBE sites.

SCS will inspect all deliveries for the following:

- Evidence of tampering, incomplete labeling and discoloration of cases
- Pinholes, leaks or bulges in cans, foreign matter or decay
- Any visible signs of damage to product
- Unusual packing or packages
- Contamination insect or rodent activity on truck or around / on cases
- Received at proper temperatures
- Cleanliness of the truck delivering products: i.e., excessive debris inside truck, liquid from food products, etc.
- Truck is in good repair
- No foreign objects on the truck
- Seal intact
- No chemicals delivered with food products
- 19. <u>Analytical Laboratory Testing</u>: Items may be sent out to a laboratory for analytical testing for bacteria (i.e., listeria, salmonella, apc, mold and yeast) and a product shelf life study on items manufactured at the Central Nutrition Center Central Kitchen utilizing the awarded vendor's product. The analytical laboratory has exceptional knowledge of food matrices and regulatory requirements for food items that are being manufactured and distributed to SCBE's school cafeterias. If a vendor's product results return with a high level or an unacceptable range of bacteria, the vendor's product will be removed from the "approved brands list" but not limited to losing the line item award.
- 20. <u>**Product Recall:**</u> Vendor(s) awarded agreement(s) under this solicitation shall be required to notify Shelby County Board of Education of any manufacturer's recalls regarding items ordered under said agreements. The Vendor shall contact the Director of Nutrition Services within 24 hours. Failure to comply with this requirement may be cause for termination of any existing agreements between the Vendor and the District and for removal from the District's approved vendor list(s).
- 21. **Default:** Shelby County Board of Education may, by written notice of default to the awarded vendor, terminate the whole or any part of their order under this agreement. Contract default shall make the vendor liable for any differences in cost between agreed price and price paid to an alternate Manufacturer, including expenses incurred to make alternate purchases. Should Shelby County Board of Education bring suit against defaulter and prevail in such action, defaulter shall pay all reasonable attorney fees and other expenses for such litigation. Acts of God and similar causes not under the control of the manufacturer will be considered exempt from this default provision. This is intended only as a last recourse and not as a deterrent to bidders.
- 22. <u>Warranty</u>: The bidder / manufacturer agrees that all item(s) furnished under this Bid Agreement shall be covered by the most favorable warranties the manufacturer provides any customer for such items, and that the rights and remedies provided therein are in addition to any other provision of this Bid Agreement.
- 23. <u>CN Labels or Crediting Label</u>: Products which carry Child Nutrition (CN) labels are preferred.
- 24. <u>HACCP Program</u>: Vendor must provide a letter with the bid stating that they have a HACCP program in place or documentation of manufacturing practices that follow *current* food safety compliance *standards*.

- 25. <u>Approved Brands</u>: Only those brands specified on the bid worksheet will be accepted on this bid, except for those items where requested samples are received on or before N/A Items that are tested / evaluated and APPROVED by the district, prior to the bid opening, will be considered for awards. Sample submission response letters will be e-mailed as soon as the products have been evaluated. In the event that you have not received your sample submission response letter, please go ahead and bid your item(s). Do not let this be a deterrent for you to submit a bid.
- 26. <u>Nutritional Facts Label or CN Labels or Product Formulation Statements or Crediting</u> <u>Statements</u>: Nutritional Analysis Data Sheets, including food allergen information, and CN labels (if applicable) MUST be included in each of the returned bid packets. Failure to include the requested information will result in disqualification of the bid quote for each item lacking the information. The Healthy Hunger Free Kids Act requires that food products and ingredients must contain zero grams of trans fat per serving. All food products listed on the bid must be accompanied by the nutrition label or manufacturers specifications in order to ensure that no products containing trans-fat are awarded. Labels must also include calories, saturated fat and sodium content per serving. If the product is a meat item and includes a minimal amount of naturally occurring trans-fat, the nutritional specifications must document the source of that trans-fat.
- 27. <u>GAP Like Practices / GMP / HACCP Program:</u> Vendor must provide a letter with the offer stating that they have a GAP Like Practice program in place or documentation of manufacturing practices that follow current food safety and HACCP compliance standards. The Vendor is required to allow access by duly authorized representatives of the School Food Authority, State Agency, United States Department of Agriculture or Comptroller General to any books, documents, papers and records of the Contractor which are directly pertinent to all negotiated contracts.
- 28. <u>Buy American Requirement</u>: The SFA participates in the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program and is required to use the nonprofit food service funds, to the maximum extent practical, to buy domestic commodities or products for Program meals. A "domestic commodity or product" is defined as one that is either produced in the U.S. or is processed in the U.S. substantially using agricultural commodities that are produced in the U.S. as provided in 7 CFR Part 210.21(d). Note: Products must be BOTH produced and processed in the U.S.

Exceptions to the Buy American provision should be used as a last resort; however, an alternative or exception may be approved upon request. To be considered for the alternative or exception, the request must be completed using the Buy American Certification Form and submitted with the bid. If a request for an exception occurs after the time of bid and during the contract period, it must be submitted in writing to the Planning and Supply Chain Manager, a minimum of five (5) days in advance of delivery.

- 29. <u>USDA Commodity Report</u>: (APPLIES TO COMMODITY-PROCESSED ITEMS ONLY). A yearly summary report is required. The report will be due on May 30 of the bid year, showing the USDA commodities received on behalf of Shelby County Board of Education, the number of pounds processed into each product, and the dates of shipment back to Shelby County Board of Education.
- 30. <u>Assignment of Bid Agreement</u>: The successful bidder shall agree not to assign, transfer, convey, sublet, or otherwise dispose of the obligation to perform this Bid Agreement or any rights accruing there under, or any power to execute the same without prior consent in writing from Shelby
 County Board of Education. Notice is hereby given that Shelby County Board of

Education will not honor any assignment made by the bidder /manufacturer unless consent in writing, as indicated above, has been given.

31. **Force Majeure or Uncontrollable Forces:** Either party's performance under this agreement is subject to acts of God, war, epidemics, government regulation, strikes, or any other occurrence or emergency beyond the party's control, making it impossible, illegal, or commercially impracticable for either party to perform its obligations under this agreement, in whole or in part. SCBE will exhaust all efforts to utilize product when applicable up to full orders as it pertains to the business needs of SCBE. If by reason of Force Majeure, either party hereto shall be rendered unable wholly or in part to carry out its obligations under this Agreement, then such party shall give notice and full particulars of Force Majeure in writing to the other party within a reasonable time after occurrence of the event or cause relied upon, and the obligation of the party giving such notice, so far as it is affected by such Force Majeure, shall be suspended during the continuance of the inability then claimed, except as hereinafter provided, but for no longer period and such party shall endeavor to remove or overcome such inability with all reasonable dispatch.

32. <u>Hold Harmless Clause</u>: The bidder/manufacturer shall hold harmless and indemnify Shelby County Board of Education, from every claim, demand, suit and award which may be made by reason of:

- a. Any injury to person or property sustained by the supplier or by any person, manufacturer or corporation employed directly or indirectly by him/her upon, or in connection with, his / her performance under the agreement, however caused;
- Any injury to person or property sustained by any person, manufacturer, or corporation caused by any act, neglect, default, or omission of the supplier or any person, manufacturer or corporation directly or indirectly employed by him/her upon, or in connection with, his/her performance under the agreement;
- c. Any liability that may arise from the furnishing or use of any copyrighted or noncopyrighted composition, secret process, or patented or unpatented invention in the performance of the services called for under the agreement; and
- d. The bidder / manufacturer, at his/her own expense and risk, shall defend any legal proceeding that may be brought against Shelby County Board of Education on any such claim or demand, and satisfy any judgment that may be rendered against any of them.
- **33.** <u>**Taxes:**</u> Purchases made under provisions of any agreement established as a result of this invitation is exempt from federal, state, and local taxes. Bidders should quote prices which do not include such taxes.
- 34. <u>Early Pay Discount</u>: Unless otherwise agreed Shelby County Board of Education encourages bidders to offer payment discounts. In accordance with 7 CFR Section 3016.36, Shelby County Board of Education will use payment discounts to determine the low bid when the bidder provides evidence that Shelby County Board of Education has usually taken advantage of such discounts in the past. Each bidder must clearly state in its bid its payment terms, including offered discounts. If it wishes Shelby County Board of Education to apply the discount to its bids when determining the low bid, the bidder also must provide evidence that Shelby County Board of Education has usually taken advantage of such discounts by submitting a list of invoices paid during the 12 months preceding the bid and indicate for which ones a discount was taken, unless otherwise agreed upon.
- **35.** <u>Award of Bid</u>: Items on this bid will be awarded on an "all or none" basis. Shelby County Board of Education has adopted the 2008 Farm Bill directed by the Secretary of Agriculture to encourage schools

to purchase minimally processed locally grown and raised agricultural products grown or raised within the State of Tennessee's boarders or a 260-mile geographical radius from the Central Nutrition Center "to the maximum extent practicable and appropriate." Items on this bid will be awarded based on a "geographical preference". As indicated on the pricing sheet, Shelby County Board of Education will use a geographical preference of 5% to lowest responsive and responsible bidder for bid evaluation purposes only when bidding minimally processed locally grown agricultural products. For this bid local is defined as grown or raised within the state of Tennessee's boarders or a 260-mile geographical radius from the Central Nutrition Center. This preference will be applied by line item. The preference credit will be calculated as the extended line-item total amount times 5% times the percentage of items grown or raised within the State of Tennessee's boarders or a 260-mile geographical radius to the Central Nutrition Center the bidder has committed to provide. Shelby County Board of Education reserve(s) the right to award or reject bids. Awards will be made by issuance of purchase orders from the Division of Procurement Services. Shelby County Board of Education reserve the right to procure additional locally grown or raised items in conjunction to this bid. Shelby County Board of Education reserve(s) the right to award or reject bids. Awards will be made by issuance of purchase orders from the Division of Procurement Services.

36. <u>Audit Documentation for agricultural products grown or raised within the borders of the State of</u> <u>Tennessee or a 260 miles Geographical Radius of the Central Nutrition Center Preference Award:</u>

Vendor will provide supporting documentation upon request (i.e. during and/or at the end of the contract period) of items grown or raised within the State of Tennessee's boarders or a 260-mile geographical radius to the Central Nutrition Center to Shelby County Board of Education's representative for auditing purposes. At the end of the delivery period, if the successful bidder does not prove that at least the bid percentage of an item was grown or raised within the State of Tennessee's Boarders or a 260-mile geographical radius to the Central Nutrition Center, the penalty for failure to provide substantiating documentation will result in a refund of 5% of the invoiced amount for the affected items.

- **37.** <u>**Right to Additional Competition</u></u>: Shelby County Board of Education occasionally purchases very large quantities of specific items and expressly reserves the right to purchase these and other similar items via other competitive methods if deemed in the best interest of Shelby County Board of Education.</u></u>**
- **38.** <u>Penalties for Non-Compliance:</u> Should any vendor fail to complete delivery or meet delivery date(s); fail to supply products as specified; and or fail to supply the quality that the samples represented, then the Board of Education reserves the right to purchase in the open market at prevailing prices a quality equal to or better than specified and in the quantity needed to complete the bid. The vendor agrees to pay for any difference in purchase cost between original bid and replacement bid. This is a part of the SCBE agreement. Poor vendor performance may result in removal from the eligible vendor's list for a period of one year.
- **39.** <u>Contract Termination</u>: Shelby County Board of Education reserves the right to terminate all or any part of this agreement prior to expiration with written notice. Termination may result from default, for delay or for nonperformance by the vendor. The District also reserves the right to terminate if it is deemed in the best interest of Shelby County Board of Education.

40. <u>Basis for Ineligibility</u>: Unsatisfactory performance, including but not limited to, any of the following:

a. Failure to comply with terms of SCBE's contract, including but not limited to: willful failure to perform in accordance with the terms of one or more contracts, or a history of failure to perform, or unsatisfactory performance of one (1) or more contracts.

- b. Offering unbalanced bids; i.e., failure to accurately bid forecasted quantities of the vendor's or the manufacturer's "approved brands."
- c. Failure to complete the work in the timeframe specified in the contract.

41. **<u>Regulation Compliance</u>**:

All agreements awarded in excess of \$10,000.00 by grantees and their contractors or sub-grantees shall comply with Executive Order 11246, entitled "Equal Employment Opportunity," as amended by Executive Order 11375, and supplemented in Department of Labor regulations (41CFP, Part 60).

All agreements over \$100,000.00 will require compliance with the Clean Air Act issued under Section 306, Executive Order 11738.

Bidders must comply with mandatory standards and policies related to energy efficiency which are contained in the State Energy Plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (PL 94- 165).

A Certificate of Lobbying for agreements over \$100,000.00 must be submitted as well as a Debarment / Suspension Certificate for all agreements over \$25,000.00.

Bidders must comply with the "Buy American" provision as outlined in Policy Memorandum 210.21-14.

Rights to Inventions Made Under a Contract or Agreement (if applicable). [Appendix II to 2 CFR 200/7 CFR 3019.48].

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PART V BID FORMS

Bid Instructions for Bid Worksheet Tab:

Complete the enclosed Request for Bid Line Item Price Sheet. Complete the information as follows. The following columns must be completed:

Column	Column Name	Instructions
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1	Stock Number	Information only.
2	9 Week Estimated Quantity	Information only.
3	Unit	Information only.
4	Description	Information only.
5	Bidder	Enter your name for the first item only, regardless of
		whether bidding on this item.
6	Bidder Terms	Enter your payment terms for the first item only,
		regardless of whether bidding on this item.
7	Bidder Brand	Enter for each item bid.
8	Bidder Manufacturer's	Enter for each item bid.
	Product Code	
9	Pack Size	Enter for each item bid.

10	Percent Eligible For Local	Enter for each item bid.		
	Preference			
12	Cost Per Unit	Enter for each item bid.		
13	Extended Total Cost	Calculated by spreadsheet		
14	Preference Weighted Discount	Calculated by spreadsheet		
15	Preference Weighted Bid Amount	Calculated by spreadsheet		
16	Notes	Enter for each item bid.		

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

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

To file a program complaint of discrimination, complete the <u>USDA Program Discrimination Complaint</u> Form, (AD-3027) found online at: <u>http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html</u>, 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:

- Mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights 1400 Independence Avenue, SW Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;
- (2) Fax: (202) 690-7442; or
- (3) Email: program.intake@usda.gov.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

2020-2021 FFVP SCHOOLS ADDRESS

GL Site ID	TMAC Site ID	School	2020-2021 FFVP SCHOOL ADDRESSES
2020	2020	Alton Elementary	2020 ALTON AVE. 38106
2665	8150	Arrow Academy of Excellence (Sherwood ES)	1156 ROBINHOOD LANE 38112
2723	8256	Aurora Collegiate Academy (Treadwell MS)	920 N. HIGHLAND ST. 38122
2610	2610	Balmoral-Ridgeway Elementary	5905 GROSVENOR AVE. 38119
0300	0300	Belle Forest Community School	3135 RIDGEWAY RD. 38115
2045	2045	Berclair Elementary	810 N. PERKINS RD 38122
2050	2050	Bethel Grove Elementary	2459 ARLINGTON 38114
2060	2060	Bruce Elementary	581 SOUTH BELLEVUE BLVD. 38104
2095	2095	Charjean Elementary (SITE CLOSED)	2140 CHARJEAN RD. 38114
2100	2100	Cherokee Elementary	3061 KIMBALL 38114
2100	2100	Cordova Elementary	750 N. SANGA RD. 38018
2117			1940 FRAYSER BLVD. 38127
	9115	Cornerstone Prep @ Denver (ASD)	
8010	8010	Cornerstone Prep @ Lester (ASD)	320 CARPENTER ST. 38112
2133	2133	Crump Elementary	4405 CRUMP RD. 38141
2145	2145	Delano Elementary	1716 DELANO 38127
2153	2153	Double Tree Elementary	4560 DOUBLE TREE 38109
2162	2162	Downtown Elementary	10 N. FOURTH 38103
2185	2185	Evans Elementary	4949 COTTONWOOD 38118

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0015	0015	Frayser Achievement Elementary (ASD)	1602 DELLWOOD 38127
8075	8075	Freedom Prep Charter Elementary School Westwood (ASD)	778 PARKROSE AVE. 38109
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8155	8155	Freedom Prep Whitehaven (Fields)	3750 MILLBRANCH RD. 38116
2250	9825	Georgian Hills Achievement Elementary (ASD)	3930 LEWEIR 38127
2258	2258	Germanshire Elementary	3965 GERMANTOWN RD. 38125
2259	2259	Getwell Elementary	2795 GETWELL RD. 38118
2260	2260	Goodlett Elementary (Parkway Village Elementary) see Parkway Village Elem (Goodlett was Pewarded \$21,500)	
2200	2260	(Goodlett was Rewarded \$21,500)	3001 GOODLETT RD. 38118
2330	2330	Hawkins Mill Elementary	4295 MT. TERRACE 38127
2331	2331	Hickory Ridge Elementary	3890 HICKORY HILL RD. 38115
2343	2343	Holmes Road Elementary	1083 HOLMES RD. 38116
2360	2360	Jackson Elementary	3925 WALES 38108
2368	2368	Keystone Elementary	4301 OLD ALLEN RD. 38128
		Knight Road Elementary (Parkway Village	
2385	2385	Elementary) see Parkway Village Elem (Knight Road was Rewarded \$24,550)	3237 KNIGHT ROAD 38118
2395	2395	LaRose Elementary	851 WELLINGTON 38126
2665	8285	Leadership Prep	4190 ELLISTON RD.
2055	8095	Libertas School of Memphis @ Brookmeade	3777 EDENBURGH DR. 38127
2463	2463	Lucie E. Campbell Elementary	3232 BIRCHFIELD 38127
0115	0115	Lucy Elementary	6269 AMHERST 38053
2470	2470	Magnolia Elementary (SITE CLOSED)	2061 LIVEWELL 38114
2317	8240	Memphis College Preparatory (Hamilton High)	1363 PERSON 38106
2815	8310	Memphis School of Excellence (Wooddale High)	5151 SCOTTSDALE AVE. 38118

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2725	8165	Memphis STEM Academy (Trezevant High)	3350 N. TREZEVANT ST. 38127
2525	2525	Newberry Elementary	5540 NEWBERRY 38118
2692	2692	Oak Forest Elementary	7440 NONCONNAH VIEW CV. 38119
2540	2540	Oakhaven Elementary	3795 BISHOPS BRIDGE 38118
2550	2550	Oakshire Elementary	1765 EAST HOLMES 38116
		Parkway Village Elementary (Added Goodlett Elem and Knight Road Elem Awarded	
2261	2261	-	3001 S. GOODLETT RD. 38118
8225	8225	Promise Academy Hollywood (ASD)	1346 BRYAN AVE. 38108
8060	8060	Promise Academy Spring Hill (ASD)	3796 RALEIGH FRAYSER RD. 38128
2597	2597	Raleigh-Bartlett Meadows Elementary	5195 TWIN WOODS 38134
2630	2630	Rozelle Elementary	993 ROLAND ST. 38114
2633	2633	Scenic Hills Elementary	6450 SCENIC HWY 38128
2640	2640	Shady Grove Elementary	5360 SHADY GROVE 38120
2650	2650	Sharpe Elementary	3431 SHARPE 38111
2655	2655	Sheffield Elementary	4290 CHUCK 38118
2665	2665	Sherwood Elementary	1156 ROBINHOOD LANE 38112
2695	2695	South Park Elementary	1736 GETWELL 38111
2010	8228	Southern Avenue Charter School (Airways Acheivement)	2601 KETCHUM 38114
2705	2705	Springdale Elementary	880 N. HOLLYWOOD ST. 38108
2155	8230	Star Academy (Douglass ES)	1650 ASH ST. 38108
2715	2715	Treadwell Elementary	3538 GIVEN AVE. 38122
8266	8266	Vision Prep	260 JOUBERT AVE. 38109
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2745	2745	Wells Station Elementary	1610 WELLS STATION 38108
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2760	2840	Westhaven Elementary	4585 HODGE RD. 38109
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2750	2750	Westside Elementary	3347 DAWN DR. 38127
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2053	2053	W. H. Brewster Elementary	2605 SAM COOPER BLVD. 38112
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2795	9820	Whitney Achievement Elementary (ASD)	1219 WHITNEY AVE. 38127
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2800	2800	Willow Oaks Elementary	4417 WILLOW RD. 38117
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2805	2805	Winchester Elementary	3587 BOEINGSHIRE DR. 38116

PART VI: APPENDICES

APPENDIX A - SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR SEALED BIDS

These Terms and Conditions shall apply unless otherwise noted in General Terms and Conditions attached to individual bid request. It shall be the Contractor's sole responsibility to insure they are compliant with all applicable federal, state, and county laws, rules, ordinances, statutes, etc., that may impact this contract. The SCBE shall bear no responsibility for monitoring the Contractor's compliance with said legal requirements. If the Contractor fails to maintain legal compliance, then SCBE may find said Contractor in default.

1. INVITATION TO BID

a. The SCBE invites all interested and qualified vendors to submit sealed bids for the procurement of goods and services in accordance with directions specified in the attached General Terms and Conditions and these Special Terms and Conditions.

2. GENERAL BID REQUIREMENTS

- a. AGGREGATE BIDS: Where provision is made on the Bid form for bidding items on an individual, group or aggregate basis, the award will be made on whichever basis is in the best interest of the SCBE. When an aggregate bid is requested, the unit prices for each item shall be identified in the bid response. The unit prices in an aggregate bid should be consistent with the total quoted price for an aggregate bid. No bid or a combination of items will be permitted except as noted in the General Terms and Conditions.
- b. **COMPLIANCE WITH SPECIFICATIONS:** The awarded Bidder shall abide by and comply with the true intent of the specifications and not take advantage of any unintentional error or omission, but shall fully complete every part as the true intent and meaning of the specifications, as decided by the Procurement Director. Where the requirements of the specifications call for higher grade and are not in conflict with the laws, ordinances, etc., the specifications shall govern. Where the requirements of the laws, ordinances, etc., are mandatory, they shall govern. The successful bidder, after award and before manufacture and/or shipment, may be required to submit working drawings or detailed descriptive data identified as acceptable to The SCBE, which would provide sufficient data to enable The SCBE to judge the bidder's compliance with the specifications.
- c. DEVIATIONS TO SPECIFICATIONS: Any deviation from the specifications must be noted in detail by the Bidder, in writing, as an attachment to the bid response. Bidders are fully aware that any deviations may render their bid as non-responsive. The absence of a written list of specification deviations attached to the bid response will hold the Bidder strictly accountable to The SCBE to the specification as written. After Bid award, any deviation by the Awarded Bidder from the specifications, without prior documented approval, will be grounds for rejection of the goods and/or equipment when delivered.
- d. **SUB-CONTRACTORS:** The Awarded Vendor shall give its constant personal attention to the faithful execution of this contract, shall keep the same under its own control, and shall not assign by power of attorney or otherwise, the work or any part thereof without the previous written consent of the SCBE. The Awarded Bidder shall provide the name of the sub-contractor(s) it intends employing, the portion of the materials/labor to be furnished, their place of business, and such other information as requested by the bid specifications. The information may be used in considering the potential performance capabilities of the sub-contractor(s). The Awarded Vendor shall not, without prior written consent of The SCBE, assign any of the monies payable under the contract.
- e. **COOPERATIVE PURCHASING:** The SCBE reserves the right to extend the terms and conditions of this solicitation to any and all other agencies within the State of Tennessee as well as any other federal, state, municipal, county, or local governmental agency under the jurisdiction of the United

States and its territories. This shall include but not limited to private schools, parochial schools, non-public schools such as charter schools, special districts, intermediate units, non-profit agencies providing services on behalf of government, and/or state, community and/or private colleges/universities that require these goods, commodities and/or services. This is conditioned upon mutual agreement of all parties pursuant to special requirements, which may be appended thereto. The supplier/contractor agrees to notify the issuing body of those entities that wish to use any contract resulting from this bid and will also provide usage information, which may be requested. A copy of the contract pricing and the bid requirements incorporated in this contract will be supplied to requesting agencies.

Each participating jurisdiction or agency <u>shall enter into its own contract</u> with the Awarded Bidder(s) and this contract shall be binding only upon the principals signing such an agreement. Invoices shall be submitted in duplicate "directly" to the ordering jurisdiction for each unit purchased. Disputes over the execution of any contract shall be the responsibility of the participating jurisdiction or agency that entered into <u>that</u> contract. Disputes must be resolved solely between the participating agency and the Awarded Bidder. The SCBE does not assume any responsibility other than to obtain pricing for the specifications provided.

3. BID PRICES

a. **UNIT PRICES:** The unit price offered may contain four points (.0000) beyond the decimal. All unit prices on items bid shall be completed on the Bid sheet(s). A NO BID notation must be completed for each item not being bid. In case of error in extension of prices in the bid, the unit price shall govern.

All prices are fixed for the duration of the contract period. Shelby County Board of Education is exempt from state sales and use taxes and Federal excise taxes. Each item shall be quoted separately. Prices quoted must be net, including the reduction of all discounts, commodity allowances and manufacturer's rebates.

- b. **UNITS OF MEASURE:** Wherever The SCBE indicates the unit of measure required for bidding purposes and the Bidder's price(s) is based on a different unit of measure than that indicated in the bid, it shall be at the sole discretion of SCBE to determine whether the Bidder's price will be recalculated. The SCBE will not accept any bids with bidder escalator clauses, unbalanced figures, or irregular features.
- c. **CASH DISCOUNTS:** Cash discounts will not be taken into consideration in determining a contract award. All discounts, other than prompt payment, are to be included in the bid price.
- d. **PRICE REDUCTIONS:** The SCBE reserves the right to accept price reductions from the Awarded Bidder during the term of this contract.
- e. **TAXES:** SCBE is a tax-exempt entity and, as such, is exempt from the payment of taxes, including but not limited to sales and use taxes, federal excise taxes and federal high use taxes.
- f. **EXTRA CHARGES:** Unless agreed by the parties in writing, charges in excess of the amounts agreed upon in the final contract shall not be allowed.
- g. **NO COMMITMENT:** This bid does not commit SCBE to award a contract, pay any costs incurred in the preparation of any Bid submitted, procure or contract for Services from any Bidder or any other person. Accordingly, each Bidder shall be responsible for all costs incurred in the preparation and submission of its Bid or in any part of its participation in the pre-award process.
- h. Conditions and Assumptions: All Bids and related documents submitted shall be based on the

same conditions and assumptions that will underlie any prospective final contract between SCBE and the successful Bidder. Thus, in establishing the terms of any resulting contract, SCBE may assume the conditions and assumptions underlying the Bid submitted by the successful Bidder are accurate.

- i. Ethics in Public Contracting: Shelby County Board of Education adheres to strict laws, rules, and ethical practices when purchasing goods and services. SCBE Procurement Services subscribes to the standards set forth by the National Association of Purchasing Management and the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing. Ethics in Shelby County Board of Education Procurement promote efficiency and honesty in the Purchasing function; create a business atmosphere where honesty and integrity prevail; portray a wholesome approach to conducting business transactions in order to dispel negative views; discourage attempts by suppliers to engage in unacceptable conduct; provide a guide for good business conduct for any Procurement officer.
- j. The bidder represents and warrants to Shelby County Board of Education that no gratuities (in the form of entertainment, gifts or otherwise) were offered or given by the bidder, or any agent or representative of the bidder, to any elected official or employee of SCBE with a view toward securing the bid or securing favorable treatment with respect to any determinations concerning the performance of the bid. For breach or violation of this representation and warranty, Shelby County Board of Education shall have the right to terminate the bid or agreement, either in whole or in part, and any loss or damage sustained by Shelby County Board of Education in procuring on the open market any items which the bidder agreed to supply shall be borne and paid for by the bidder. The rights and remedies of SCBE provided in this clause shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or equity.
- k. The bidder covenants that it has no public or private interest, and will not acquire directly or indirectly any interest which would conflict in any manner with the performance of this bid. The bidder warrants that no part of the total contract fee shall be paid directly or indirectly to any officer or employee of Shelby County Board of Education as wages, compensation, or gifts in exchange for acting as officer, agent, employee, subcontractor or consultant to the bidder in connection with any work contemplated or performed relative to this bid.
- I. Prohibited Contacting: Registered and non-registered lobbying of SCBE staff members or Board members with respect to a pending project or award is prohibited during the time period between the date the bid is advertised and the date a final contract is awarded. ANY CONTACT BETWEEN SCBE STAFF MEMBERS OR BOARD MEMBERS AND ANY REPRESENTATIVE OF A RESPONDENT RELATING TO A PENDING PROJECT OR AWARD (WHETHER BY WRITING, TELEPHONE, E-MAIL OR OTHERWISE) OUTSIDE OF PROPERLY SCHEDUELED MEETINGS, OTHER THAN AS INTENDED AND INITIATED BY AN SCBE STAFF MEMBER, SHALL BE GROUNDS FOR DISQUALIFICATION OF THE BIDDER FROM THE PROCESS. By submitting a Bid, the Bidder represents and warrants that it has not made, and will not make, any contact prohibited by this paragraph.
- m. **Conflict of Interest:** Bidder certifies that no SCBE Board member, staff member or any SCBE employee has a financial or beneficial interest in the Bidder.
- n. Mandatory Use of Form and Modification of Terms and Conditions: Failure to submit a Bid on any official form provided for that purpose may be cause for rejection of a Bid. Return of the complete form is required. Modification of, or additions to, the general terms and conditions of this BID may be cause for rejection of the Bid. Notwithstanding, the SCBE Director of Purchasing reserves the right to decide, on a case by case basis, in his or her sole discretion, whether to reject such a Bid.

- o. Errors or Omissions: The Bidder shall not be allowed to take advantage of any errors or omissions in the specifications set forth in this bid. Where errors or omissions occur in this bid, the Bidder shall promptly notify the contact person listed in this bid and report the identified error or omission. Inconsistencies in the specifications are to be reported before Bids are submitted to SCBE.
- p. Liability for Improper Date or Time Processing: By submitting a Bid, the Bidder agrees that, if it becomes the successful contractor, the Bidder will indemnify and hold harmless SCBE and the officers, employees, Board members and agents of SCBE against any claim of, or liability for, breach of any contract related to the Services that is caused directly or indirectly by the failure of computer software or any device containing a computer processor to accurately or properly recognize, calculate, display, sort or otherwise process dates or times.
- q. Records: All vendors are required to keep records for three (3) years after Shelby County Board of Education has/have made final payment and all other pending matters are closed. Vendors must agree that each School Food Authority, the State Agency, the United States Department of Agriculture, or the Comptroller General may review any books, documents, papers, and records of the vendor which are directly pertinent to all negotiated contracts.
- r. **Compliance with Procedures:** The successful contractor will comply with all procedural instructions that may be issued from time to time by SCBE. However, the substantive terms and conditions of the contract shall not change without the written consent of all parties thereto.
- s. **Obligation of Successful Contractor:** By submitting a Bid, the successful contractor covenants and agrees, based upon its own investigation of the conditions to be met, that it fully understands its obligation and that it will not make any claim under, or have any right to cancellation or relief from, the contract because of any misunderstanding or lack of information.
- t. **Format of Services; Satisfaction of SCBE:** The Bidder agrees that, if it becomes the successful contractor, the Bidder will fully provide to SCBE, to the best of its capabilities, the Services in substantially the format, quality and scope required by, or indicated in, this Bid, including any modifications and additions hereto. Furthermore, the Bidder agrees to be responsible for providing the Services in a manner and to an extent satisfactory to SCBE.
- u. **Ability to Deliver Product:** Quote prices only if merchandise can be processed and delivered within the requested bid period. Each item bid shall be considered binding. Shelby County Board of Education shall work with the vendor to determine a delivery schedule prior to school opening. The schedule for delivery is expected to be for the convenience and efficiency of the school system.
- v. **Taxes:** The successful contractor shall determine, be responsible for and pay any applicable taxes related to the Services or the Agreement, including but not limited to any property tax, sales tax, federal excise tax or federal highway use tax. SCBE is a tax-exempt organization and shall not be billed for, nor be expected to pay, any taxes applicable to the Services. A COPY OF DOCUMENTATION VERIFYING THE "TAX EXEMPT" STATUS OF SCBE IS AVAILABLE AND WILL BE FURNISHED TO THE SUCCESSFUL CONTRACTOR UPON REQUEST.
- w. **Support:** If it becomes the successful contractor, the Bidder agrees and affirms that, throughout the Agreement Term, it will utilize its best efforts to assist and support SCBE in addressing any problem whatsoever relating to the Services or the Agreement.
- x. LIQUIDATED DAMAGES: Should any vendor fail to complete delivery or meet delivery date(s); fail to supply products as specified; and or fail to supply the quality that the samples represented, then the Board of Education reserves the right to purchase in the open market at

prevailing prices a quality equal to or better than specified and in the quantity needed to complete the bid. The vendor agrees to pay for any difference in purchase cost between original bid and replacement bid. This is a part of the SCBE agreement. Poor vendor performance may result in removal from the eligible vendor's list for a period of one year.

4. STABILITY OF FIRM

a. Bids will not be considered from companies who are currently involved in official financial reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings.

5. BID SUBMISSION

- a. BIDDER ADDRESS: Each bid must show the full business address, telephone number, email and fax number of the Bidder and be signed by the person or persons legally authorized to sign contracts. All correspondence concerning the bid and contract, including Notice of Award, copy of Contract, and Purchase Order, will be mailed or delivered to the address shown on the bid in the absence of written instructions from the Bidder to the contrary.
- b. **PARTNERSHIPS:** Bids by partnerships shall be signed with the partnership name by one of the members of the partnership or by an authorized representative, followed by the signature and designation of the person signing, who shall also state the names of the individuals composing the partnership.
- c. CORPORATIONS: Bids by corporations shall be signed with the name of the corporation, followed by the signature and designation of the officer having authority to sign. When requested, satisfactory evidence of authority of the officer signing in behalf of the corporation shall be furnished. Anyone signing the bid as agent shall file satisfactory evidence of authorization to do so.
- d. **BID PREPARATION FEES:** The SCBE will not be responsible for any costs incurred by a Bidder in preparing and submitting a Bid in response to a bid.
- e. **BID EVALUATION:** While these specifications are intended to describe the principal features of the items bid, Bidders are notified that the proposed items will be evaluated for compliance with detailed specifications. The bid specifications shall vary with each individual bid issued, and the award shall be made in accordance with the General Terms and Conditions, which identify an individual line item, group bid or an aggregate basis. Bids shall be awarded to the lowest responsive and responsible Bidder with consideration given to the quantities, time required for delivery, purpose of the goods/services, competency and responsibility of the Bidder, and the ability of the Bidder to perform satisfactorily. Evaluation may also be made for other factors such as serviceability, functional suitability, and overall product quality, where acceptability may be determined on the basis of professional judgment and educational application. The SCBE will consider the Bidder's record and performance of any prior contracts with The SCBE, federal departments or agencies, or with other public bodies.
- f. **TIE BIDS:** In the event of tie bids, where all other factors such as past performance on purchases/contracts or Bidder's service or delivery record are considered comparable, the selection of the successful Vendor shall be made by the Procurement Director via a coin toss.
- g. BID AWARD: Bids will be awarded to the lowest responsive and responsible Bidder with consideration given to the quantities, time required for delivery, purpose of the goods/services, competency and responsibility of the Bidder, and the ability of the Bidder to perform satisfactorily. The award may be subject to final review and approval by the SCBE. Upon acceptance and

approval of the bid(s) by the SCBE, the SCBE may grant its approval subject to such conditions as it may deem appropriate. In such cases, a Notice of Award will not be issued until the award has been approved by the SCBE.

6. COMMENCEMENT OF SERVICES

a. The SCBE shall have no obligation to pay for services performed before the Notice of Award is executed; SCBE approves the contract or after the contracts ends. The SCBE shall have no obligation to pay for services in excess of the monetary amount of the award. The SCBE shall have no obligation to pay for services before a purchase order is issued.

7. ADDENDA

- a. **QUESTIONS / INQUIRIES:** No interpretation of the meaning of the specification or other documents will be made to any Supplier orally. To be given consideration, inquiries must be received as outlined in Part II Item 4.0. Inquiries are to be sent in writing via email to the Buyer. The subject field of the e-mail must include "INQUIRY" and the Bid name and number.
- b. **ISSUANCE:** Any changes to the bid specifications will be made through the appropriate addenda. Failure of any Bidder to receive such addenda or interpretation shall not relieve any Bidder from any obligations under this bid as amended by all addenda. All addenda so issued shall become part of the award.

8. ANNULMENTS AND RESERVATIONS

- a. RIGHT TO REJECT: The SCBE reserves the right to exercise its statutory option to reject any or all bids and re-advertise for other bids. The SCBE reserves the right to order the said equipment, materials, supplies or services as described within the specifications, and the SCBE also reserves the right not to order any items(s) within the specification.
- b. **WAIVER OF TECHNICAL DEFECTS:** The SCBE reserves the right to waive minor technical defects or minor irregularities, if in its judgment the interest of The SCBE shall so require.
- **CONTRACT RESERVATIONS:** The SCBE reserves the right to annul any contract if, in its C. opinion, there shall be a failure, at any time, to perform faithfully any of its stipulations, or in case of any willful attempt to impose upon The SCBE materials, products and/or workmanship inferior to that required by the Vendor, and any action taken in pursuance of this latter stipulation shall not affect or impair any rights or claims of The SCBE to damages for the breach of any covenant of the contract by the Vendor(s). Should the Vendor(s) fail to comply with the conditions of this contract or fail to complete the required work within the time stipulated in the contract, except for circumstances beyond its control, including but not limited to Acts of GOD, war, flood, governmental restrictions, or the inability to obtain transportation, The SCBE reserves the right to purchase the required articles in the open market, or to complete the required work at the expense of the Vendor(s). Should the Vendor be prevented from furnishing any item or items, or from completing the required work included in the contract, by reason of such failures caused by circumstances beyond its control, including but not limited to Acts of GOD, war, flood, governmental action, or the inability to obtain transportation, The SCBE reserves the right to withdraw such items or required work from the operation of this contract without incurring further liabilities.

9. TERMINATION OF CONTRACT

a. **TERMINATION FOR NON-APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS:** The SCBE may terminate this

contact, in whole or in part, due to insufficient funding or non-appropriation of funds with written notice to the Vendor. The SCBE shall pay for all of the purchases, if any, incurred up to the date of the termination notice.

- b. TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT: Shelby County Board of Education may, by written notice of default to the awarded vendor, terminate the whole or any part of their order under this agreement. Contract default shall make the vendor liable for any differences in cost between agreed price and price paid to an alternate Manufacturer, including expenses incurred to make alternate purchases. Should Shelby County Board of Education bring suit against defaulter and prevail in such action, defaulter shall pay all reasonable attorney fees and other expenses for such litigation. Acts of God and similar causes not under the control of the manufacturer will be considered exempt from this default provision. This is intended only as a last recourse and not as a deterrent to bidders.
- c. **TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE:** The SCBE has the right to withdraw from the terms of the contract, without liability or showing cause, by providing ten (30) calendar days, written notice to the Vendor. The Vendor shall be compensated for services rendered prior to the date of termination.

10. GOVERNING LAW

a. The bid shall be construed in accordance with, and interpreted under, the laws of the State of Tennessee. Any lawsuits arising out of such bid shall be filed in the Circuit Court of Shelby County, Tennessee.

11. CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- a. **INCORRECT INVOICES:** Invoices will be returned for correction unless they contain the following information: Item Numbers, Description of Item, Quantity, Unit Price extensions, and total. Each invoice shall reflect the SCBE Purchase Order Number, Ship to Location, and all the items on the invoice shall be listed in the same sequence as listed on the Purchase Order.
- b. **PARTIAL PAYMENTS:** Payment in full will only be made upon final acceptance of items as shown on Purchase Order. Partial payments may be paid if partial shipments have been made.
- c. LATE SUBMISSION OF INVOICES: The parties acknowledge and agree that the Vendor's invoices are to be submitted in a timely manner, per the terms of the purchase order, after the services have been provided or the goods and materials have been provided. If invoices are submitted after one calendar year after the Vendor's services have been rendered or the last date when goods and materials were accepted by the SCBE, then the SCBE shall have no obligation to pay for the stale invoices.
- d. **CONFIDENTIALITY:** Vendor acknowledges and agrees to hold all Confidential Information in the strictest confidence as a fiduciary and will not make any press release or public announcement, or voluntarily sell, transfer, publish, disclose, display or otherwise make available to any third persons such Confidential Information or any portion thereof without the express written consent of the SCBE.
- e. **INDEMNIFICATION:** Vendor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the SCBE of Education and their respective elected/appointed officials, employees, departments, agencies, agents and volunteers from any and all claims, demands, suits, and actions, including attorneys' fees, litigation expenses and court costs, connected therewith, brought against the SCBE, the SCBE and their respective elected/appointed officials, employees, departments, agencies, agents, and volunteers, arising as a result of any direct or indirect, willful, or negligent act or

omission of the Consultant or its employees, agents, or volunteers.

12. INSURANCE:

- a. The contractor must maintain and pay for <u>Comprehensive Business Insurance</u> to protect their claims under the Workers' Compensation Act, from claims or damages because of bodily injury to others, including employees of the SCBE, damage to the property of others, including the SCBE, claims for damages arising out of the operation of motor vehicles, which may arise during the performance of the contract whether caused by themselves or by any sub-contractor or anyone directly or indirectly employed by either of them, <u>and Product Liability</u> <u>Insurance</u>. Said insurance is to cover the duration of the contract under an express or implied warranty.
- b. The following coverages and limits are required of all vendors:
 - 1. General Liability, including Products Liability & Completed Operations \$1,000,000 per occurrence / \$2,000,000 aggregate
 - 2. Workers Compensation Statutory Benefits (Only required if the Contractor will be delivering the product(s) to our building).
 - 3. Employers Liability \$500,000 each accident/\$500,000 injury by disease / \$500,000 injury by disease aggregate (Only required if the Contractor will be delivering the product(s) to our building).
 - 4. Auto Liability \$1,000,000 combined single limit (Only required if the Contractor will be delivering the product(s) to our building).
- c. The certificate on this insurance shall be made in favor of the <u>SHELBY COUNTY BOARD OF</u> <u>EDUCATION, MEMPHIS TENNESSEE 38112</u> and indicate paid up coverage for the term of the contract.
- d. It will be the responsibility of the successful bidder(s) to ensure that a <u>current</u> Certificate of Insurance is on file in the Procurement Office during the entire period of the contract.

13. NON-ASSIGNABILITY

a. This contract shall not be assigned, or services subcontracted in whole or in part without the written consent of the SCBE. Any attempt to do so without such written consent shall be null and void of no effect.

14. GENERAL RECORDS CLAUSE

a. The Vendor shall agree that in accordance with Section 952 of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1980, its contracts, files, accounts, records, and other documents related to this Contract shall be open to examination and/or audit by The SCBE and made available by the Bidder to the SCBE and/or its designated agents at any time upon reasonable prior notice, during performance under this Contract and for a period of five (5) years after final payment or such longer period of time as required by law or rule or regulations.

15. SOLE AGREEMENT

a. This Contract constitutes the sole agreement between the parties hereto and no amendment, modification or waiver of any of the terms and conditions hereof shall be valid unless in writing

and executed by both parties. Any prior verbal agreements or bids shall not be considered a part of this Contract.

16. **PROTECTION OF PROPERTY**

a. Bidder will use reasonable care to avoid damaging existing buildings, equipment, and property at The SCBE sites and all material furnished by The SCBE. If the Vendor's failure to use reasonable care causes damage to any property, Vendor must replace or repair the damage at no expense to the SCBE as directed by the Contracting Officer. If the Vendor fails or refuses to make such repair or replacement, the Vendor will be liable for the cost, which may be deducted from payments due Vendor.

17. PUBLIC STATEMENTS

a. Bidder shall not use or reference the Name or Emblem of the Shelby County Schools in issuing any press releases or otherwise making any public statement with respect to this Contract (unless such press release or statement is required by applicable law regulation or the requirements of any listing agreement with any applicable stock exchange), without the prior written consent of The SCBE, whose consent will not be unreasonably withheld. Purchase by the SCBE of any articles, material, merchandise, or service does not imply that the SCBE has either adopted or endorsed the product of service, and the use by any manufacturer, Vendor, merchant or other person of the name or emblem of the SCBE in any advertisement that they are furnishing products or services is not authorized. The unauthorized use of the name or emblem of the SCBE is prohibited by the United States Criminal Code - Section 706.

18. BID FORM

a. All pricing submitted shall be prepared and submitted using the enclosed Bid Form and not using other forms or formats. Bidders, who modify the Bid Form or include supplemental pricing or conflicting cost information, will be considered non-conforming and the bid will be rejected.

19. SENSITIVE INFORMATION

- a. The bidder shall not publish or otherwise disclose, except to the SCBE and except matters of public record, any information or data obtained hereunder from private individuals, organizations, or public agencies, in publications whereby the information or data furnished by or about particular person or establishment can be identified, except with the consent of such person or establishment.
- b. The parties shall not use or disclose any information about a recipient receiving services from, or otherwise rerolled in, a SCBE program affected by or benefiting from services under this bidder for any purpose not connected with the parties' Contract responsibilities except with the written consent of such recipient, recipient's attorney, or recipient's parent or guardian pursuant to applicable state and federal law and regulations.

20. NON-HIRING OF EMPLOYEES

a. No employee of the SCBE shall be employed or encouraged to become employed by the bidder.

21. RELATIONSHIP TO THE SCBE

 The bidder will be legally considered as an independent contractor and neither the firm nor its employees will, under any circumstances, be considered an employee or agent of the SCBE. The SCBE will not be legally responsible for any negligence or other wrong doing of the contractor, its servants or agents.

22. AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

a. SCBE for the purchase of such articles. The obligation of the SCBE on all contracts, including those which envision funding through current and successive fiscal years, shall be contingent upon actual SCBE appropriations for the fiscal year(s) involved.

23. INFRINGEMENT OF PATENT, TRADEMARK, COPYRIGHT, TRADE SECRET, OTHER INTEREST

a. The following terms apply to any infringement, of claim or infringement, of any patent, trademark, copyright, trade secret or other proprietary interest based on the manufacture, normal use or sale of any material, equipment, programs or services furnished by Bidder to the SCBE, unless such infringement or claim results from the Bidder following written instruction or directions of The SCBE. Bidder shall indemnify the SCBE, for any loss, damage, expense, or liability that may result by reason of any such infringement or claim. Bidder shall defend or settle, at Bidder's own expense, any action or suit for which Bidder is responsible hereunder. The SCBE shall notify Bidder promptly of any claim or infringement for which Bidder is responsible and shall cooperate with Bidder in every way to facilitate the defense of any such claim.

24. NON-DISCRIMINATION

a. The Contractor is to conduct business in a non-discriminatory manner prohibiting discrimination in any manner against any employee or applicant for employment because of sex, race, creed, color, age, mental or physical disability, sexual orientation or national origin.

25. LEGAL COMPLIANCE

A. Specifically, contractor shall comply with all applicable laws and regulations relating to the employment of aliens, such failure, shall constitute a material breach of contract. It is a mandatory requirement of this contract that employees of contractor and contractor's subcontractors are screened through the Federal Government's E-Verify system, found at www.dhs.gov/E-Verify. This is a "no fee" service.

APPENDIX B (TO BE SUBMITTED WITH BID)

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CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING

Applicable to Grants, Sub-grants, Cooperative Agreements, and Contracts Exceeding \$100,000 in Federal Funds.

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

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

- (1) No federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of a Federal contract, the making of a Federal grant, the making of a Federal loan, the entering into of cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of a Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
- (2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, and officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the Federal grant or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.
- (3) The undersigned shall require that the language of the certification be included in the award documents for all covered sub-awards exceeding \$100,000 in Federal funds at all appropriate tiers and that all sub-recipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

FNS Grant / Cooperative Agreement

Name / Address of Organization

Name / Title of Submitting Official

APPENDIX C - DEBARMENT AFFIDAVIT (TO BE SUBMITTED WITH BID)

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	, being first duly sworn deposes and says that he is an officer in
the	and the party making a certain Bid or bid

dated, _____20___, to Board of Education of Shelby County:

I further affirm that: Neither I, nor to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, the above business, or any of its officers, directors, partners, or any of its employees directly involved in obtaining or performing contracts with public bodies, has ever been suspended or debarred (including being issued a limited denial of participation) by any public entity, except as follows (list each debarment or suspension providing the dates of the suspension or debarment, the name of the public entity and the status of the proceedings, the name(s) of the person(s) involved and their current positions and responsibilities with the business, the grounds of the debarment or suspension, and the details of each person's involvement in any activity that formed the grounds of the debarment or suspension):

I further affirm that:

(1) The business was not established and it does not operate in a manner designed to evade the application of or defeat the purpose of; and

(2) The business is not a successor, assignee, subsidiary, or affiliate of a suspended or debarred business, except as follows (you must indicate the reasons why the affirmations cannot be given without qualification):

Signature of:

X___

Bidder, if the bidder is an individual

x_____ Officer, if the bidder is a corporation

Partner, if the bidder is a partnership

Subscribed and sworn before me this _____day of _____, 20____.

x_____ Notary Public

My commission expires:

APPENDIX D - CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE COVERAGE

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CONTRACTOR NAME: _____ ADDRESS:

NAME OF SURETY: (TYPE OR PRINT) _____

NAME OF AGENT: (TYPE OR PRINT) _____

AGENT'S PHONE NO:

The below signed hereby certifies that the following information is true and correct.

TYPE OF COVERAGE	MINIMUM REQUIRED LIMITS	POLICY OR BINDER NUMBER	ACTUAL LIMITS PROVIDED	EXPIRATION DATE
COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY OCC	\$1,000,000			
COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY AGG	\$2,000,000			
BUSINESS AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY	\$1,000,000 PER OCCURRENCE			
WORKMAN'S COMP	TENNESSEE STATE MINIMUM COMPENSATION STATUTORY			
EMPLOYERS LIABILITY	\$500,000			

() LIMITS ON ABOVE POLICY WILL BE INCREASED () ABOVE POLICY NOW IN EFFECT

() POLICY WILL BE OBTAINED/ISSUED ON_____

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The following additional clauses will be considered a part of the above policy(s), the same as if specifically written therein, as pertains to the above stated contract.

- The Board of Education of Shelby County is hereby named as Additional Insured.
- The policy(s) cannot be reduced or cancelled without at least forty-five (45) days prior written notice to the Board of Education of Shelby County.
- The insurance company is prohibited from pleading government function in the absence of any specific written authority by the Board of Education of Shelby County.
- The policy(s) will be automatically included and cover all phases of work, equipment, persons, et cetera which are normally covered while performing work under the above contract, whether specifically written therein or not.
- The Board of Education of Shelby County is hereby granted authority to contact the agency directly to confirm information or obtain copies of certificates of insurance. The Board of Education of Shelby County bears no responsibility for premiums or other cost of insurance. If policy(s) is not currently in effect, it will be written immediately upon notice of award, and a copy of binder or certificate will be sent directly to the Board of Education of Shelby County. A properly executed copy of this document shall be legally binding as a Carrier Certificate of Insurance Form.

The successful bidder will be required to provide insurance coverage as shown in General Conditions of Bid and Contract, prior to beginning any work. This insurance coverage must be maintained throughout the life of the contract. This can be done by one of the two following methods:

- 1. Complete form "CERTIFICATION OF INSURANCE COVERAGE" or
- 2. Submit a Certificate of Insurance on a form provided by your Insurance Agent. This form must include the following clauses:

"The Board of Education of Shelby County is hereby named as Additional Insured."

"The policy(s) cannot be reduced or canceled without at least forty-five (45) days' prior written notice to the Board of Education of Shelby County."

"The insurance company is prohibited from pleading government function in the absence of any specified written authority from the Board of Education of Shelby County."

"The policy(s) will automatically include and cover all phases of work, equipment, persons, et cetera which are normally covered while performing work under the above contract, whether specifically written therein or not."

Regardless of the method used, the form MUST be totally complete, MUST show that all Limits of Insurance are or will be met, and MUST be signed by the Agent.

Failure to provide the required insurance coverage by either of the two (2) methods described above when the bid is submitted may result in rejection of your bid as being non-responsive.

(AUTHORIZED AGENT'S SIGNATURE)

(DATE)

APPENDIX E – PRICING CONFIRMATION (TO BE SUBMITTED WITH BID) IFB#: 09092020 2020-2021 SY (SEPTEMBER 14, 2020 – DECEMBER 16, 2020) PRODUCE – "FFVP BID" FRESH FRUITS & VEGETABLES "ALL SCHOOL SITES

CONTRACTOR NAME: _____

ADDRESS: ______

TO: BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SHELBY COUNTY

Instructions:

Each vendor shall provide a fixed price for each cost item listed on the Bid Form. *Bidders must bid on all items listed or insert no bid. Price shall be fixed for the initial contract award year(s).*

Vendors must complete all cost items on the included Bid Form or insert NO BID

Name	Title
Signature	Date
Email Address	

REGARDING "BUY AMERICAN" REQUIREMENTS

As required by the Buy American provision, all products must be of domestic origin as required by 7 CFR Part 210.21(d).

The Shelby County Board of Education participates in the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program and is required to use the nonprofit food service funds, to the maximum extent practical, to buy domestic commodities or products or Program meals. A "domestic commodity or product" is defined as one that is either produced in the U.S. or is processed in U.S. substantially using agricultural commodities that are produced in the U.S. as provided in 7 CFR Part 210.21(d). There is a two-part test to define the country of origin for a manufactured end product: (1) the article must be manufactured in the United States and (2) the cost of domestic components must exceed 50 percent of the cost of all the components.

We require that suppliers certify the percentage of U.S. content in products supplied to us according to the two-part test above. If you are unable or unwilling to make such certification, we will not purchase from you.

Two situations may warrant a waiver to permit purchases of foreign food products.

- 1. The product is not produced or manufactured in the U.S. in sufficient and reasonable available quantities of a satisfactory quality; or
- 2. Competitive bids reveal the cost of a U.S. product is significantly higher than the non-domestic product.

Requests for alternative substitutes or exceptions to the Buy American provision should be used as a last resort; however, an alternatives or exception may be approved upon request. To be considered for the alternative or exception, the request must be submitted in writing to a designated official, a minimum of five (5) business days in advance of delivery.

Product Description	Vendor Item #	Domestic Price	Non- Domestic Price	Country of Origin	Reason for Waiver Request

<u>Requested Waiver Items</u>

use additional pages if needed

"We certify that our food products were manufactured and processed in the United States unless reported on the Buy American Waiver Form."

Date _____

Vendor Name _____

Completed by _____

	PRODUCT INFORMATION PROFILE FORM									
	MAIN CON	TACT PERSO	N:	PHONE:			E-MAIL:			
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			ust have 70% shelf life upo	n delivery (exceptions ar	e canned fruits d	nd vegetabl	es: 50%-70%).		
	If pallet(s) have several expiration dates, the expiration date must be clearly labeled and identifiable.									

APPENDIX H - ADDENDA ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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(If applicable) Please complete and return with your bid response.

I the undersigned acknowledge the receipt of the following addenda to this solicitation

Addendum #1- Date Received _____

Addendum #2 - Date Received _____

Addendum #3 - Date Received _____

Addendum #4 - Date Received _____

Signature

Title

Vendor Name

Email

Contact Phone Number