



The Leading Customer-Driven Regional Broadline Foodservice Distributor

Dear Jessica and Chris,

Thank you so much for the opportunity to partner with the ROE35 Illinois School Meals Cooperative. Our 6th Generation Family-owned company is grateful for your patronage and we are excited to continue to grow this year!!

I often talk about School Foodservice as being the forgotten heroes of a School. Deadlines, customer satisfaction, budgeting, and lack of skilled labor make your jobs harder than ever. Our investments in the last couple of years have set us up to be able to provide a new Kohl Wholesale App (and desktop site too) and Proof of Delivery Scanning Capabilities (coming soon). These technologies are being implemented to increase our service levels to you and hopefully make your job easier in the future. Start using the app here: <https://kohlwholesale.pepr.app/> or find on any App Store.

Our commodity resource team is ready to help consult with you to maximize the effectiveness of your State Entitlements. We can partner with you and your School District to set forth a strategy to save you money on the items that make sense for increasing the satisfaction of your customers! See the attached flyer with all the contact information to help you save money, increase participation, and ensure compliance.

We understand that each one of our customers is unique and has individual needs that will need to be covered. Our Sales and Customer Service Team is ready to talk with you about your back-to-school plans. We want to continuously perform better for you in the future. All we ask is that you work with our team to create a plan of action and success for the coming 26-27 year so we both can succeed together!

Thanks!

Aaron Kerkhoff

General Manager – Supply Chain

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RFP/Bid Letter 12/19/2025

ROE 35 Illinois Scholl Meals Cooperative (Formerly LaSalle County Area Purchasing Cooperative)

Jessica Haywood, Director

jhaywood@roe35.org

119 W Madison St, Room 102

Ottawa, IL 61350

815-434-0780

Dear Jessica,

Thank you for considering Kohl Wholesale as your broadline foodservice provider in 2026-2027. Enclosed please find the RFP/Bid we are submitting per your request. Mark-ups will remain firm for the bid period. Due to current market conditions and supply chain uncertainty, we reserve the right to adjust cost based on "Acts of God", changes to Government regulations, such as tariffs, or any other unforeseen changes. We will give notice if a price change does occur.

All Requests for Proposal are asked to be accompanied by usages/volumes of items. This usage/volume would be preferred to be monthly estimates. Please provide this information in a spreadsheet to accompany your bid. If you need assistance with this, we would be happy to help. Please allow 3-4 weeks to process your RFP and all RFP's are to be submitted to Kohl before June 15th, 2026.

Items bid with a pound (#) sign in front of the item number are not currently stocked. Please contact us for information regarding stocking and/or ordering these items. You will see the closest stocked item as an alternative. Any new items requested to be stocked at Kohl could be required to have a Stocking Agreement.

Orders must be placed by 4 pm 2 business days before shipping. No changes can be made to orders after 4 pm 2 business days prior to shipping. All orders are preferred to be placed on the Kohl Wholesale App. This app is easy to use, free of charge. There is also a desktop version of the app if preferred.

Kohl Wholesale will do our best to deliver during normal school hours of 5am to 2pm. We might need to deliver outside during those hours due to weather or other unforeseen circumstances. It is the responsibility of the district to receive the delivery when the driver arrives. Please create a plan of action with your Customer Service Representative or District Sales Representative to schedule deliveries to your specific needs.

Back to school orders are requested to be submitted before July 10th, 2026. Schools will be required to receive opening orders during the weeks of July 27th for dry products, and August 3rd for frozen products. Please create a plan of action with your Customer Service Representative or District Sales Representative.

Not all bread products are frozen and will be included with your regularly scheduled delivery. Please state if you would like to be quoted frozen bread products or our new fresh bread line. Kohl Wholesale does not provide milk coolers or rotate stock. Milk products will be included with your regularly scheduled delivery.



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Kohl Wholesale will do their best to deliver products on the requested delivery day(s). If orders are refused at the time of delivery, orders might not be delivered until the next scheduled delivery day and could be subject to a re-stocking fee. Any items that are returned upon delivery, for any reason other than damage or Kohl error, could be subject to a restocking fee.

If weather forces school closure, it is the responsibility of the district to notify Kohl Wholesale 7pm before the day of delivery. Please utilize emergency@kohlwholesale.com to notify. This email will be sent to all of our Sales and Operations team Leaders. We will respond back as soon as we see your message. Please create a plan of action with your Customer Service Representative or District Sales Representative.

During Holidays, when the district is not in session, the district will be asked to accept delivery on the holiday as normally scheduled. Christmas, Thanksgiving, and New Years are exceptions to this rule. This can be achieved by providing a key or key FOB to Kohl and/or arranging a lockbox outside the school door to house a key or fob. Please create a plan of action with your Customer Service Representative or District Sales Representative.

Kohl Wholesale is not responsible for paying any wages to any district under any circumstances.

References can be made available upon request.

Kohl Wholesale is proud to have many Valued Added services that are a part of our culture of Serving the K-12 Foodservice community.

The Kohl Beverage, Chemical, and Equipment Department partners with all of our K-12 customers to support machines and chemicals for dishwashers, three well sinks, janitorial closets, coffee, tea, and all beverage programs. This unique program offers a one stop solution to simplify and save money.

The Kohl K-12 Commodity team helps each individual School Foodservice Director their Net Off Invoice disbursements. We have seen these Kohl resources truly make the difference in the bottom line of School Budgets throughout the State of IL.

The Kohl Customer Service and Sales Representation for each district. Each district will have at least one designated Customer Service Representative and one District Sales Representative. Each of these Kohl teammates are charged with making Kohl the easiest to work with company in the Foodservice. Technology is great and needed but we believe people make all the difference.



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The Kohl culinary and Nutrition Team are ready to serve any K-12 partner. Menus, culinary training, CE credits, nutritional analysis, special diet training/support, special event planning, and anything else are all free of charge. Our certified, licensed and accredited Dietitians and Chefs are all ready to serve you. We provide complete menus for all day parts with fully certified nutrient analysis. We can also help certify and customize your menu with your School Foodservice Director.

Customized procurement and product selection. Kohl specializes in K-12 foodservice and carries many items that are unique to this industry. We also are open to bring in any items that are requested by the ROE35 customers. We stock what you want to buy. We do not predicate what you should buy. You tell Kohl what you want and our job is to get it to you in the most convenient way possible.

K-12 Foodshow, ROE35 show, and IL Commodity Show. Kohl's Fall Foodshow located in Quincy IL is a great way for any customer to peruse new items, negotiate with manufacturers, and receive CEU credits. Kohl also offers a ROE35 specific show just to ROE 35 members in North Central IL. Kohl is also excited to offer a Commodity only show for all IL schools. This would feature all approved State Commodity items available for purchase through NOI. This show is still in planning and will be a great addition to our other shows.

Kohl offers delivery to our customers Monday -Friday. This customized distribution model works to allow at minimum monthly, weekly, or twice per week delivery to all customers, and more if volume warrants. Kohl understands Section IX and currently serves in all of these capacities. Each customer is treated as an individual and Kohl will work with all districts of ROE35 to customize services. Kohl offers a \$500 minimum delivery order. Kohl does not add service charges, fuel charges, or delivery fees. Kohl also works with every customer to fix any mistakes or issues. We will do our best to fix any mistakes we or you might make.

Kohl is currently using two order entry systems. One is the Kohl Wholesale App. It is mobile format preferred and also works with desktop computers. This new system has been in place for 12 months and is being constantly upgraded and enhanced. New additions in the next 3-6 months include complete invoice transparency, credit transparency, payment ability, more nutritional CN information and attributes, item availability and substitutions, and customized reporting. Our Legacy system Powernet will be available until all program attributes are available on the Kohl Wholesale App. Any customized report is able to be created for any district and shared at any time. This includes any Buy American Act provision reporting. This custom reporting ability has been enhanced recently at Kohl with the investment in a new ERP platform. Kohl also offers nutritional information on any item we sell, through our computer systems or through our Customer Service teams. No computer system will give any customer everything they need, that's where our most important commodity, our Kohl Teammates step in to provide customized and individualized service to each ROE35 customer.



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We would like to thank you for the opportunity to submit this bid. We look forward to continue to work together with you to have the best School year ever in 26-27! If you have any questions, please contact us. We will be happy to assist you in any way.

Thanks,

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Your Broadline Foodservice Distributor



12/11/25

Thank you for choosing Kohl Wholesale as your broadline school foodservice partner.

The School Foodservice Authority (your school district) is required to know if their product is domestically produced and discern if it is "cost effective". The USDA's thresholds were established with a timeline set forth for School Food Authorities. SFA's (School Foodservice Authority) must be able to provide the percentage of non-domestic products being bought. In school year 25-26, 90% of school food items should be domestically procured according to the USDA. For more details the "USDA Buy American Fact Sheet" (see attached) explains how schools must prioritize U.S. produced foods under 7 CFR 210.21(d) and when limited exceptions apply. The USDA also supplies a calculator to help you calculate these purchases here <https://www.fns.usda.gov/cn/buy-american-provisions>. While there, you can also review USDA's entire summary of the Buy American provisions for Child Nutrition Programs.

As a service to our school partners Kohl invoices denote the "Country Of Origin" on every Kohl Invoice. This information is also readily available to you on the Kohl Wholesale App before you purchase. This app is available and free on any app store. It also is available a non-mobile device. It's a great source of information and a very simple way to order, shop, look up invoices, calculate menu costing, and access nutritional information. By searching the catalog, you can easily view an item's description, pictures, subtitles specifying the products brand, pack size, and the Country Of Origin. Kohl's customer partners can set up the app at the following link <https://kohlwholesale.pepr.app/>.

For any additional information contact your friendly Kohl Sales Representative or our School Foodservice Specialist Team.

Thank you,

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Our Promise to You: Safety, Security, & Sustainability

As a 5th generation, family-owned company, Kohl Wholesale understands the importance and impact of providing a safe, secure, and sustainable supply chain to our customers, their families, and guests. This is no small endeavor as it takes the efforts of our entire organization to ensure we are handling all products with care to ensure integrity and safety, maintaining compliance with all applicable laws and codes to ensure our supply chain is secure, and sourcing products from sustainable and ethical vendors.

From our family to yours, this is our promise:

SAFETY

We maintain strong HACCP (*Hazard Analysis Critical Control Points*) and HARPC (*Hazard Analysis and Risk-Based Preventive Controls*) programs that are reviewed annually by members of our HACCP and HARPC teams and have been validated as effective by the American Sanitation Institute (ASI) in 94 different categories of food safety, including on-site audits.

Additionally, all employees tasked with handling product throughout our supply chain are trained to recognize potential hazards associated with storage, handling, and distribution of food products and how to minimize those hazards within the necessary control limits. Here are just some of the important food safety requirements that Kohl Wholesale has in place within our distribution centers:

- **Annually reviewed HACCP & HARPC programs.**
 - Planned corrective actions for deviations.
 - Verification procedures.
 - Detailed and accurate record keeping.
- **Orientation training for new employees.**
 - Annual and ongoing training in food safety.
- **Routine monitoring procedures.**
 - Time/temperature monitoring.
 - Monthly thermometer calibrations.
- **Produce Quality Assurance (QA) program.**
 - Daily quality audits of all fresh produce
(program enhanced January 2023)
- **Documented equipment maintenance**
- **Master cleaning schedule**
- **Integrated pest management programs**



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SECURITY

In today's world, there is enough to worry about. Concern over the whether the food you purchase has been vulnerable to possible adulteration or contamination is very real. This is why Kohl Wholesale makes compliance with all local, state, and federal codes & law a priority.

From a product's source to your table, we take every action necessary to limit access to only authorized individuals so we can confidently provide you with products that we know have remained safe and secure in our custody.

SUSTAINABILITY

We believe in operating with integrity and ethics in everything we do. This includes how we source and purchase product, food safety training, ensuring fair labor practices, supporting local food banks with the donation of surplus edible foods, investing in alternative energy, minimizing waste and recycling programs. Through these efforts, we aim to deliver not just food, but a more resilient, ethical, and environmentally responsible supply chain that benefits our customers, communities, and the planet for generations to come.

When it comes to the safety, security, and sustainability of our food supply, we believe transparency and open communication are vital to ensuring confidence in our operations as your distributor of choice. If you have any questions regarding our internal programs, or would like to request a copy of our most recent 3rd-party audits – please reach out to our Facilities Manager Brandon Isaacks at brandoni@kohlwholesale.com



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ROE35 Illinois School Meals Cooperative (ROE 35 ISMC) reserves the right to reject any or all bids or waive any irregularities in the bidding process.

Bidders must submit the bid electronically as well as a hard copy mailed to LaSalle, Marshall, and Putnam Counties Regional Office of Education, 119 W. Madison Street, Room 102, Ottawa, IL. The electronic version must be submitted through the Interflex BidSimpli system. The system is available 24 hours a day and uses the latest Secure Sockets Layer (SSL) security technology. If you have not received a BidSimpli invitation for this bid or need technical assistance at any time while responding to this bid, please contact Jason Grim with Interflex at 610-898-4487 or email jgrim@interflex.net.

Contract Type: Request for Bids

Bid Documents: Bid documents will be available through Interflex BidSimpli on Thursday, January 15, 2026.

Mandatory Clarification/Pre-Bid Meeting: Thursday, January 29, 2026, at 01:00 p.m., LaSalle, Marshall, and Putnam Counties Regional Office of Education, 119 W. Madison Street, Room 102, Ottawa, IL. All bidders are required to be present if intending to bid.

Deadline: Bids will be received until 03:00 p.m. CST on Wednesday, February 25, 2026. They must be submitted electronically through the Interflex BidSimpli system. Bids received after this prescribed time will not be accepted.

Bid Opening: Bids will be opened on Thursday, February 26, 2026, at 01:00 p.m., LaSalle, Marshall, and Putnam Counties Regional Office of Education, 119 W. Madison Street, Room 102, Ottawa, IL.

Bid Award: Friday, March 6, 2026, at 1:00 p.m. CST, at the office of the superintendent, Room 102, Downtown Courthouse, 119 W. Madison Street, Room 102, Ottawa, Illinois 61350.

Proposal files will be available and may be examined by Vendors following the award of the contract during normal working hours, at LaSalle, Marshall, and Putnam Counties Regional Office of Education, 119 W. Madison Street, Room 102, Ottawa, IL, but not before May 4, 2026. A minimum of 72-hour notice requesting an appointment shall be required (815-434-0780). No files will be permitted to be removed from the premises.

If you have any questions, please contact Jessica Haywood, ROE35 ISMC Director, at 815-434-0780 or jhaywood@roe35.org

BidSimpli

Bid Title:	School Food and Supply Bid		
Bid Number:	2026 - 2027		
Bid Opens:	02/26/2026, 01:00 PM CST		
Operator:	ROE35 - Illinois School Meals Cooperative 119 W. Madison Street Ottawa, IL 61350		
Contacts:	Jessica Haywood (jhaywood@roe35.org) ph: 8154340780 Jason Grim (jgrim@interflex.net) ph: 610-898-4487		
Bid Shipment Type:	Distributor Shipment		
Bid Award Type:	Prime Vendor		
Bid Issued:	01/15/2026	Contract Starts:	07/01/2026
Bid Opens:	02/26/2026, 01:00 PM CS	Contract Ends:	06/30/2027

Response Mailing Address

Operator Notes

Proposals are due by 3:00 CST on February 25, 2026
Bid opening is at 1:00 CST on February 26, 2026

General Proposal Requirements:

Proposals shall be submitted exclusively through the Interflex BidSimpli system. Bidders are required to complete the **Specifications** tab within the provided Excel file for all items on which they intend to submit a bid and upload the completed file to the Interflex BidSimpli system. The operator may additionally require submission of a printed copy and/or other supporting documentation. Bidders are responsible for reviewing the operator's bid documents to determine any such additional submission requirements. All instructions issued by the operator in connection with this solicitation shall

Help:

All bid-related inquiries shall be directed to the Operator representative(s) identified above. For technical assistance or issues related to system access or functionality, please contact Interflex at **800-293-2909** or **bidsimpli@interflex.net**.

RETURN PROPOSAL TO:

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Monthly Usage Reports:

Awarded vendors will be required to provide usage / velocity / purchase reports monthly, and on an ongoing basis for archival into BidSimpli. Please submit usage reports to your operator contact or directly to Jason Grim (jgrim@interflex.net / 800.293.2909).

Required Data Fields for Purchase Information Upload

To ensure your purchase data is correctly uploaded and mapped into our system, please include the following required fields in your file. While the field names and order do not need to match, the data must be clearly labeled and included:

Required Fields

- Dates: Month and year of shipment or report
- Vendor Name: Name of the distributor (if applicable)
- Product Vendor Name: Name of the product manufacturer
- Product Vendor Code: Manufacturer's product code
- Case Pack: Description of how the case is packed (e.g., 6x1L, 12x750ml)
- Quantity: Number of cases in the shipment

Recommended Fields

Including the following fields is not required, but strongly encouraged to support better inventory management and reporting:

- Case / Unit Price: Price per case
- Vendor Code: Distributor or vendor product code
- Item #: Your internal item number, if available
- Please ensure your file is clearly formatted and includes all applicable data. If you have any questions about these requirements or need assistance mapping your fields, feel free to reach out.

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Bid Award: Friday, March 6, 2026, at 1:00 p.m. CST, at the office of the superintendent, Room 102, Downtown Courthouse, 119 W. Madison Street, Room 102, Ottawa, Illinois 61350.

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ROE35 Illinois School Meals Cooperative
(Formerly LaSalle County Area Purchasing Cooperative)

January 15, 2026

SECTION I

Request for Bid Proposal
Food Products and Miscellaneous Non-Food Supplies

RETURN PROPOSAL TO:

Bidders must submit the bid electronically. The electronic version must be submitted through the Interflex BidSimpli system. (Detailed Instruction Inserted as Appendix A)

BidSimpli is an online tool that you will use to respond. The system is available 24 hours a day and uses the latest Secure Sockets Layer (SSL) security technology. **All bids must be submitted through the Interflex BidSimpli system.** If you have not received a BidSimpli invitation for this bid, or need technical assistance at any time while responding to this bid, please contact Jason Grim with Interflex via phone 610-898-4487 or email, jgrim@interflex.net.

We also request that a hard copy, along with the bid bond cashiers check, be sent to our office, Regional Office of Education #35, 119 W Madison St, Room 102, Ottawa, IL 61350.

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Mandatory Pre-bid meeting::	January 29, 2026 at 1:00 CST
Proposals will be received until:	February 25, 2026, by 3:00 pm CST
Bid opening:	February 26, 2026, at 1:00 pm CST
Bid award:	March 6, 2026, at 1:00 pm CST

For additional information, please contact: Jessica Haywood
Director, ROE35 ISMC
jhaywood@roe35.org
815-434-0780

The undersigned offers and agrees that should this proposal be accepted they will sell to the ROE35 Illinois School Meals Cooperative, hereinafter referred to as the ROE35 ISMC, in accordance with the terms presented herein, the goods specified in Section XIII of this invitation, and which have been awarded to them, at the price quoted in this proposal and in compliance with all conditions outlined in this invitation.

The following items must be returned with the bid:

1. 1% Bid Bond required – Cashier's check mailed to our office
2. Section X Contractors Certification. (Page 40)
3. Section XI Authorized Signature Form. (Page 41)
4. Section XII Weighting Factors Reply Sheet. (Page 42)
5. Section XIII Completed Bid Specifications
6. Lobbying Certificate - (Page 43)

SECTION II

GENERAL INFORMATION

2.1 Cooperative Purchasing Efforts:

A group of 98 school districts with a total enrollment of approximately 65,000 students located in Illinois, have agreed to combine their food service needs into a cooperative bid purchase agreement and purchase in accordance with the attached specifications.

2.2 Purpose:

The purpose of this proposal is to establish a contract between the ROE35 ISMC and a Vendor, for the purchase of products to be used in Child Nutrition Programs.

The successful vendor will be responsible for purchasing, warehousing, and distributing the products. The Vendor will be obligated to furnish the items at reasonable intervals to maintain freshness and quality at prices that do not exceed the pricing structure.

2.3 Additional Services:

Additional services provided by the contractor. This would include equipment service, (dishwashers, etc.), nutrition information, menu assistance, promotions, rebate tracking, ease of ordering, commodity ordering assistance, completing a Direct to Manufacturer Bid, problem area assistance, and any other areas of service provided by the contractor. Equipment to dispense soap and rinse products and service is required by the majority of our members. Quotations on chemical products should include said equipment and service in the price of the product.

SECTION III

GENERAL CONDITIONS

3.1 Proposal Submission:

Bidders must submit the bid electronically. The electronic version must be submitted through the Interflex BidAdvantage system. BidAdvantage is a free online tool where you can respond to bid opportunities from K-12 schools and cooperatives. The system is available 24 hours a day and uses the latest Secure Sockets Layer (SSL) security technology. All bids must be submitted through the Interflex BidAdvantage system. If you have not received a BidSimpli invitation for this bid, or need technical assistance at any time while responding to this bid, please contact Jason Grim with Interflex via phone 610-898-4487 or email, jgrim@interflex.net.

Proposals received after February 25, 2026 at 3:00 PM CST, will not be accepted. The ROE35 ISMC reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive informalities as it deems it to be in the best interest of the cooperative.

The Bid Award will be on March 6, 2026 at 1:00 PM CST.

Location: Regional Office of Education, 119 W Madison St, Ottawa, IL 61350

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Electronic bids are invited by the ROE35 ISMC to provide food, paper supplies, and cleaning supplies to approximately 98 school districts in Illinois. The administrative agent of the cooperative is Christopher B. Dvorak, Superintendent, LaSalle, Marshall, and Putnam Counties Regional Office of Education.

Contract type: Request for Bids

The Bid packets will be available in electronic form only through Interflex.

Bid information will be posted to the LaSalle, Marshall, and Putnam Counties Regional Office of Education website at www.roe35.org.

ROE35 Illinois School Meals Cooperative reserves the right to reject any or all bids or waive any irregularities in the bidding process.

3.3 Compliance:

Failure to meet the requirements of the specifications in any area not considered being informal will cause the proposal to be deemed non-responsive, and the proposal shall be rejected.

3.4 Vendor Responsibility:

It shall be incumbent upon each Vendor to understand the provisions of this proposal document and, when necessary, obtain clarifications prior to the time and date set for the opening. Failure to obtain clarification will be no excuse or justification for non-compliance with the provisions set forth herein.

3.5 Clarification/Pre-Bid Meeting:

If a clarification is required, the request shall be made at the mandatory pre-bid meeting on January 29, 2026 at 1:00 p.m. CST. No questions will be answered after this date. An addendum will be issued within five (5) working days after the pre-bid meeting.

3.6 Preparation and Submission of Offer:

a. Price quotations must be completed using the electronic format.

b. The complete proposal must contain:

Section X - Contractor's Certification (page 40)

Section XI - Authorized Signature Form (page 41)

Section XII - Confirmation Form (page 42)

Section XIII - Completed Bid Specifications

Lobbying Certificate - (Page 43)

If any components listed herein are not included, its Offer shall be deemed invalid and shall not be considered.

c. Unit prices shall be provided by the Vendor and shall be for the unit of measure requested. Prices that are not in accordance with the measurements and descriptions requested shall be considered non-responsive and shall not be considered. Where there is a discrepancy between the unit price and the extension of prices, the unit price shall prevail.

Required Data Fields for Purchase Information Upload

To ensure your purchase data is correctly uploaded and mapped into our system, please include the following **required fields** in your file. While the field names and order do not need to match exactly, the data must be clearly labeled and included:

Required Fields

- **Dates:** Month and year of shipment or report
- **Vendor Name:** Name of the distributor (if applicable)
- **Product Vendor Name:** Name of the product manufacturer
- **Product Vendor Code:** Manufacturer's product code
- **Case Pack:** Description of how the case is packed (e.g., 6x1L, 12x750ml)
- **Quantity:** Number of cases in the shipment

Recommended Fields

Including the following fields is not required, but strongly encouraged to support better inventory management and reporting:

- **Case Price:** Price per case
- **Vendor Code:** Distributor or vendor product code
- **Item #:** Your internal item number, if available

Please ensure your file is clearly formatted and includes all applicable data.

d. Bidders must submit the bid electronically. The electronic version must be submitted through the Interflex BidAdvantage system. We also request that a hard copy be submitted to ROE35, Attn: Jessica Haywood, 119 W Madison St, Room 102, Ottawa, IL 61350. Bids must be submitted by 3:00 PM CST on Thursday, February 25, 2026.

e. Offers submitted via facsimile machines, or e-mail will not be accepted.

f. Vendors, which qualify their Offers by requiring alternate contractual terms and conditions as a stipulation for contract award, must include such alternate terms and conditions in their Offers. ROE35 ISMC reserves the right to declare Vendors' Offers as non-responsive if any of these alternate terms and conditions are in conflict with ROE35 ISMC terms and conditions, or if they are not in the best interests of ROE35 ISMC.

3.7 Modification or Withdrawal of Offers:

Offers may only be modified or withdrawn through the Interflex system prior to the time and date set for the Offers to be opened.

In accordance with the Uniform Commercial Code, Offers may not be withdrawn after the time and date set for the opening for a period of ninety calendar days. If an offer is withdrawn by the Vendor during the ninety-day period, the ROE35 ISMC may, at its option, suspend the Vendor from the bid list and may not accept any Offer from the Vendor for a six month period following the withdrawal.

3.8 Rejection of Offers:

The ROE35 ISMC may, at its sole and absolute discretion:

- a. Reject any and all or parts of any or all offers submitted by prospective Vendors.
- b. Readvertise this Solicitation.
- c. Postpone or cancel the process.
- d. Waive any irregularities in the Offers received in conjunction with this Solicitation.
- e. Determine the criteria and process whereby Offers are evaluated and awarded. No damages shall be recoverable by any challenger as a result of these determinations or decisions by the ROE35 ISMC.

3.9 Elimination From Consideration:

An offer may not be accepted from, nor any contract be awarded to, any person or firm that has failed to faithfully perform any previous contract with the ROE35 ISMC, the state, or the federal government, for a minimum period of three years after this previous contract was terminated for cause.

3.10 Award:

Award will be made to the responsible Vendor whose response is determined to be the most advantageous to the ROE35 ISMC, taking into consideration price and the evaluation factors set forth in section VII (Weighting Factors). The ROE35 ISMC shall determine the most advantageous offer based on the quality and variety of products proposed compared to the unit price. The proposal will be accepted or rejected on March 06, 2026 at 1:00 PM CST.

3.11 Termination of Contract:

Prior to the intended date of cancellation, either party may cancel the contract for cause upon issuance of thirty (30) days' written notice. Cause for the ROE35 ISMC to cancel shall include, but is not limited to, failure on the part of the Vendor to perform in compliance with the specifications, contract conditions, and/or failure on the part of the warehouse management.

In the event of a cancellation initiated by the Vendor, the Vendor will be required to honor all orders placed prior to the effective date of the cancellation and received within a seven (7) day period subsequent to the effective date of the cancellation. Any orders covered by this clause will be delivered at a price that does not exceed the price set by the contract.

3.12 Standard Contract Conditions:

- a. This contract shall be governed in all aspects as to validity, construction, capacity, and performance or otherwise by the laws of the State of Illinois. All products shall conform to the minimum requirements of Federal and State regulations. These requirements shall include, but not be limited to weights, measures, fill of containers, drained weights and contamination.
- b. A Vendor providing service under this Request For Bid Proposal, herewith assures the ROE35 ISMC that it is conforming to the provisions of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended.
- c. Vendors shall comply with Executive Order 11246, entitled "Equal Employment Opportunity," as amended by Labor regulations (41 CFR Part 60).
- d. State Sales and Use Tax Certificate of Exemption form will be issued by each member district upon request. Purchases made under provisions of any contract established as a result of this invitation are exempt from federal, state, and local taxes, and Vendors shall quote prices that do not include such taxes. The ROE35 ISMC and its member districts shall not be responsible for payment or reimbursement of any taxes to be paid by the Vendor during the terms of this contract.
- e. Vendor shall comply with applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations pertaining to wages, hours, and conditions of employment. In connection with Vendor's performance of work under this contract, Vendor agrees not to discriminate against any employee(s) or applicant(s) for employment because of age, race, religious creed, sex, national origin, or disability.
- f. School districts have "automatic" product protection recourse against products which are misrepresented. According to Federal regulations, the supplier whose name and address appear on the package is the responsible party. If a contract distributor is the first and original

packer, the bidder then becomes the last line of recourse in the chain. Contract distributors are expected to take immediate action to correct any situation in which product integrity is violated.

g. Since the goods to be acquired under this Request For Bid Proposal will be purchased in part or in whole with federal dollars, products shall be procured, packaged and inspected in accordance with all federal, state and local government standards and all applicable regulations such as the Pure Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (Title 21 CFR), Agricultural Marketing Act, Fish and Wildlife Act, Meat Inspection Act, The Tariff Act, Poultry Products Inspection Laws, The Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act, and Anti-trust Laws. Certification of compliance with the following Acts is required: Energy Policy and Conservation Act (PL 94-163); Occupational Safety and Health Act and the standards and regulations issued there under; Fair Labor Standards Act; Department of Labor Regulations (41 CFR Part 60; Section 306 of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 1857 (h); Section 508 of the Clean Water Act (333 U.S.C. 1368); Executive Order 117389 and Environmental Protection Agency Regulations (40 CFR Part 15). The food distributor needs to purchase foods only from manufacturers with a HACCP plan in place. In addition, any subcontractors used by the food manufacturer need to have a HACCP plan in place.

h. By signing this document, the Vendor certifies that this proposal is made without prior understanding, agreement, or connection with any corporation, firm, or person submitting an offer for the same materials, supplies, or equipment, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud. The Vendor certifies that collusive bidding is a violation of federal law and can result in fines, prison sentences, and civil damage awards. If a Vendor has been debarred, suspended, or otherwise lawfully prohibited from participating in any public procurement activity, the Vendor shall disclose that information in its offer. Failure to do so shall result in rejection of its offer and shall constitute grounds for termination of the Agreement. The Vendor shall have a continuing obligation to disclose to the ROE35 ISMC's lead any proceedings commenced during the term of this Agreement, which might result in debarment, suspension or disqualification from participation in public procurement activities, and such proceedings shall constitute grounds for termination of this Agreement.

i. The Vendor shall not assign, transfer, convey, sublet, or otherwise dispose of this contract, including any or all of its rights, title, or interest therein, or its power to execute such contract to any person, company, or corporation, without prior written consent of the ROE35 ISMC.

j. Title to the goods herein described shall not pass until said goods have actually been received by Member Districts or a consignee, notwithstanding any agreement to the contrary, including, but not by way of limitation, any agreement to pay freight, express, or other transportation or insurance charges. Risk or loss prior to such actual receipt by the Member District or its consignee shall be borne by Seller. Nothing herein contained, however, shall be construed to deprive the Member District of its interest, or limit such interest, in the goods herein described prior to such actual receipt.

k. 1% Administrative Fee will be paid by the awarded distributor on net Sales Quarterly to ROE35 Illinois School Meals Cooperative.

3.13 Default:

The ROE35 ISMC may, by written notice of default to the successful Vendor, terminate the whole or any part of their order under this contract. Remedies for default shall include, but not be limited to, failure to meet contract terms delineated above. The successful Vendor shall be liable for any difference in cost between the agreed price and the price paid to an alternate Vendor, including expenses incurred to make alternate purchases. Should the ROE35 ISMC bring suit against the defaulter, and prevail in such action, the defaulter shall pay all reasonable attorneys' fees and other expenses for such litigation. In the event of default, the ROE35 ISMC shall have the option to collect:

(a) Ten percent (10%) of the contract price value of the defaulted items ordered but not delivered as specified, or,

(b) The difference between the contract price value and the cost of comparable items of similar quality, if available, or better quality if products of similar quality are unavailable, as obtained through another vendor.

Strikes, Acts of God, and similar causes not under the control of the vendor will be considered exempt from this default provision. This is intended only as a last recourse and not as a deterrent to Vendors. Vendors should confirm their inventories, shippers, and suppliers before submitting proposals. The ROE35 ISMC reserves the right before awarding the contract, to require a successful Vendor to submit evidence of its ability to meet orders of desired shipment sizes within requested delivery windows.

In the event that any successful Vendor shall default, cancel, or cause to have cancelled the contract, that successful Vendor shall have forfeited the right to bid or propose for contracts originating from the ROE35 ISMC for twenty-four (24) months or two contract periods, whichever is longer. Nothing herein shall be construed to imply that any party shall have any right to submit a bid or proposal to the ROE35 ISMC for any product or service.

3.14 Failure to Fulfill Contract:

When any Vendor fails to deliver any article or service or shall deliver any article or service which does not conform to the specifications, the ROE35 ISMC may, at its sole discretion, annul and set aside the contract entered into with said Vendor, either in whole or in part, and make and enter into a new contract for the same items in such manner as seems to the ROE35 ISMC to be to its best advantage. Any failure to furnish such articles or services by reason of the failure of the Vendor, as stated above, shall be a liability against such Vendor and his sureties. The ROE35 ISMC reserves the right to cancel without penalty any articles or services which the

successful Vendor may be unable to furnish because of economic conditions, governmental regulations, or other similar causes beyond the control of the Vendor, provided satisfactory proof is furnished to the ROE35 ISMC if requested.

SECTION IV

Pricing and Contract Conditions

4.1 Contract Duration:

The duration of this contract shall be for a period of twelve (12) months from the effective date, with the option to renew for additional twelve (12) month periods not to exceed four extensions. The effective date is July 1, 2026. The ROE35 ISMC reserves the right to extend the term for up to 90 days to continue a source or sources of supply until new or replacement contracts are completed. Extensions shall be offered only when mutually agreeable to the ROE35 ISMC and the contracted vendor. **Pricing adjustments will only be considered for contract rollovers/extensions.**

4.2 Specifications/Pre-Approved Brands for Equality:

It is the intent of the ROE35 ISMC to afford maximum competition and equal opportunity to any potential Vendor. Brand names and product numbers provided represent the products selected for contracts in 2024-2025, which have generally been tested and are acceptable to our student population. These products form the basis and standard for brand equality, quality, and taste preference evaluations. Total purchases for the 2024-2025 school year was approximately 17 million dollars (\$17,000,000).

4.3 Volume:

The quantities indicated on the proposal form are based on the previous year's purchases and are accurate to the best of our ability to gather the data. Items specified are those items that constituted purchases of 150 cases or more. However, Vendors must understand that a quantity stated on an item does not constitute a guarantee to purchase any amount in excess of requirements. The ROE35 ISMC anticipates significant requirements for the food products and a commodity requested, but does not guarantee a specified purchase volume or number of orders. Estimated purchase quantities are based on historical information of previous purchases by the LaSalle County Area Purchasing Cooperative and the Northwest Illinois School Food Cooperative participating member districts. Orders will be placed as products and services are required. Inclusion on the Proposal Form does not constitute an offer to buy or a guarantee to purchase in any amount in excess of actual requirements. The ROE35 ISMC reserves the right to modify quantities or to forgo purchases altogether at its discretion.

4.4 Bid Computation:

- a. The computation of the net delivered price for the bid items shall be based on the laid-in cost plus the vendor's fixed fee for services. The laid-in cost may vary from item to item. The fixed fee for all items remains the same for the contract length, including potential rollovers. For the purpose of the bid, laid-in costs shall be based on the vendor's costs for the week of January 19, 2026.
- b. Net delivered price for items will be the manufacturer-quoted prices (which are FOB to vendor) plus the vendor's fixed fee for services.
- c. Pricing for items purchased in less than 150 case quantities will follow a Fixed Fee Chart provided by the distributor in section VIII.

4.5 Prices Quoted:

Net Delivered Prices quoted must be gross prices including such costs (when they apply) as packaging, transportation, and fuel surcharges - F.O.B. Member District. No separate charges, except those clearly recorded on this quotation form, will be allowed.

4.6 Auditing:

Audits may be made of a supplier's cost price records as follows:

1. Audits may be made at the discretion of the food-purchasing group or at any time monthly price reviews indicate that a problem might exist.
2. Audits may be made of any product purchased during the term of the contract.
3. A full review may be undertaken when circumstances are questionable.

4.7 Rebates:

Rebates available from the manufacturer to the customer, based on proof of purchase, should not be included in the net delivered price. The vendor should list this information on a separate sheet. These rebates should be compiled on a quarterly basis as a minimum.

4.8 Value Added:

Because the costs associated with public education have been increasing while state and local funding have been decreasing, we are asking that Vendors who do business with the ROE35 ISMC help bridge the gap. The ROE35 ISMC is soliciting, at your discretion, any "value-added" services or support that you, as the Vendor, feel will be helpful to our schools. While we have no

specific requests, “value-added” could range from scholarships to promotional goods to training programs. These “value-added” services or support should be listed.

4.9 Evaluation of Proposal:

The contract will be awarded on a primary-vendor basis. The primary vendor will receive no less than 90% of total purchases. In order to qualify for the contract award, interested vendors must complete the confirmation form in Section XII. These factors will be considered in awarding the negotiated contract to determine the best overall value.

4.10 Ability to Supply/Deliver:

Vendors should offer proposals and quote prices only if merchandise can be obtained and delivered on specified delivery dates/schedules and in delivery amounts required by the ROE35 ISMC. This includes Summer School for some districts. Initial orders for July and August delivery will likely be the largest ones placed and may represent as much as one-fifth of the total ROE35 ISMC requirements to meet “back to school” needs.

4.11 Competitive Negotiations:

Illinois State Law and USDA regulations require that the ROE35 ISMC follow one of several prescribed bid/acquisition processes. The ROE35 ISMC takes the proposal process seriously, and it is the ROE35 ISMC’s intent to solicit proposals that are accurate, and that Vendors intend to honor. Vendors are advised that the ROE35 ISMC intends to use competitive negotiations in an effort to obtain the best value for all desired terms of prices, delivery conditions, and miscellaneous factors. The ROE35 ISMC intends to make awards to a Vendor that best meets the ROE35 ISMC’s expectations, balancing the highest standards of quality, creativity of proposals and services, and value with the lowest costs. The ROE35 ISMC will not negotiate with all Vendors within a group. The ROE35 ISMC may negotiate prices and terms with the most highly rated Vendors. The ROE35 ISMC reserves the right to select Vendors in the best interest of the Cooperative and to competitively negotiate and award the contract based on the evaluation factors of: Price; delivery conditions; weighting factors, service indicators; point of sale and promotional materials; and completeness of the proposal. When proposals have been evaluated, there is typically a logical separation between the most highly ranked proposals and all other proposals in terms of raw evaluation points. The ROE35 ISMC will negotiate with no more than the two top-ranked Vendors.

4.12 Definitions/Terms of Reference:

- a. Cooked: The terms “cooked” and “fully cooked” all imply the product is to be fully cooked in accordance with Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point (HACCP) standards for that product. Such products will generally be heated before service.
- b. Precooked: The term “precooked” implies that additional cooking is required before service.
- c. IQF/IF: The term “individually quick frozen” (IQF) or “individually frozen” (IF) means that the separate parts and pieces can be easily removed from packages while the product is in a frozen state. Either is acceptable.
- d. IW or I/W: The abbreviation IW or I/W means “individually wrapped” products, generally a single portion.
- e. SS: The abbreviation SS means “single serve” products, generally a single portion or individual unit

4.13 Age and Condition of Items:

Containers shall be clean, sound, compact, sturdy, and sealed. Opened, damaged, or leaking packages will not be accepted. Any hidden damage discovered after acceptance and delivery will be reported to the Vendor for credit. Dated products shall meet industry standards for remaining shelf life upon delivery to the member site. In no instance (except for yogurt and produce) shall there be fewer than 60 calendar days of guaranteed freshness as defined by the product expiration date on the exterior package at the time of delivery to the member site.

4.14 Hold Harmless Clause:

The Vendor shall hold harmless and indemnify the ROE35 ISMC, its member districts, the lead district, and their respective officers and employees, for every claim, demand, suit, and award which may be made by reason of:

- a. Any injury or death to a person or property damage or loss sustained by any person, firm, or corporation caused by any act, neglect, default, or omission of the Vendor or any person, firm, or corporation, directly or indirectly employed by it upon, or in connection with its performance under the contract;

4.15 Buy American Act/Import Products:

The 1998 reauthorization of the National School Lunch Act requires school districts participating in the National School Meals Programs in the contiguous 48 states of the United States to buy food products produced in the United States (domestic) when using federal funds. Therefore, if there is a domestic and non-domestic food product available, the domestic product must be

supplied. Non-domestic products may be supplied only when domestic products are unavailable. As defined in this legislation, a domestic food commodity is an agricultural commodity (for example, beef, pork, chicken, fruits, vegetables, oils or grains) that is produced in the United States. A domestic food product is processed in the United States using substantially domestic agricultural commodities. Substantially means that over 51 percent of the finished processed product comes from American produced products. Implementing federal regulations is 7 CFR.

210.21 and 220.16 were published on September 20, 1999. The Vendor may be required to provide certification of domestic origin and content, and must certify that the majority of food products proposed to be provided and supplied meet the federal requirements in the "Buy American Act" and stipulate which specific products are unavailable domestically. Exceptions to this rule would typically be: pineapple, mandarin oranges, olives, tuna fish, tea, spices, and coffee. In the event the Vendor supplies or delivers products contrary to the requirements of this section or applicable laws and regulations, the ROE35 ISMC may pursue remedies for default as provided in Section 3.13, and or may terminate this Agreement. The Vendor shall hold the ROE35 ISMC, its member districts, and its lead district from any fines, penalties, costs, or expenses imposed upon or incurred by any of them as a result of the Vendor's non-compliance with such laws and regulations. This purchasing requirement does not apply in instances when:

- a) The ROE35 ISMC has unusual or ethnic food preferences that can only be met through purchases of products not produced in the United States,
- b) The product is not produced in the U.S. in sufficient and reasonable quantities of a satisfactory quality to meet general needs,
- c) The cost of the US product is significantly higher than foreign products. The ROE35 ISMC defines significantly higher to be when the US product is twenty five percent higher than the foreign product.

4.16 Legal Defense:

The Vendor, at its own expense and risk, shall defend any legal proceeding that may be brought against the ROE35 ISMC, the lead district, each and every member district, and their agents, officers and employees, on claims caused in material and substantial part by the Vendor and not caused in material and substantial part by an act, neglect, default or omission of the ROE35 ISMC, and shall indemnify and hold harmless all such parties against any judgment, cost or expense that may be rendered against or incurred by any of them in such proceedings. The laws of the State of Illinois shall govern this Agreement. Any litigation brought between the parties to this Contract shall be brought and maintained only within the jurisdiction of the lead district.

4.17 Records Retention:

The successful Vendor agrees to retain all books, records, and other documents relative to this agreement for three (3) years plus the current year after final payment. The successful Vendor will ensure that subcontractors meet this same record retention requirement. The ROE35 ISMC, its authorized agents, and/or state/federal representatives shall have full access to and the right to examine any of said materials during said period. If an investigation or audit is in progress, records shall be maintained until the stated matter is closed.

4.18 Sanitation Requirements:

Contractor' facilities may be routinely inspected by the Cooperative Bid Group. Facilities and operating practices must be in compliance with the United States Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act and State and local laws and regulations. Contractors must provide documentation that the facility is HACCP compliant. Sbu Vendors HACCP information must be available upon request from Contractors. A letter or statement must be provided with the bid documenting that the bidder has an active HACCP plan.

4.19 Modifications to Existing Contract:

Terms and conditions may be added, modified, and deleted upon mutual agreement between agents of the ROE35 ISMC and the Vendor, provided that such terms and conditions remain within the scope and original intent of the solicitation. Said terms and conditions may include, but are not limited to, additions or deletions of service levels and/or commodities and/or increases or decreases in the time limits for an existing contract and the addition of school districts interested in joining the ROE35 ISMC. Any and all modifications must be expressed in writing through a Memorandum of Understanding and executed by authorized agents of the ROE35 ISMC and the Vendor prior to the enactment of such modifications.

4.20 Reports

Contractors shall be required to supply product utilization reports to school districts as requested.

SECTION V

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

5.1 Orders/Delivery:

- a. Successful bidders will provide deliveries to designated areas (dry, refrigerated, frozen, etc.) at the Member District Sites (Section IX). Heavy cases over 30 lbs. will be put on the appropriate pallets.
- b. The Member Districts must be advised of product substitutions at least twenty-four (24) hours in advance of delivery. Substitutions must be approved by the Director of Food Service or designee prior to delivery and will be of equal or higher quality at no additional charge. Should problems arise, the Member Districts reserve the right to order from other sources when the supplier cannot supply the product needed.
- c. Deliveries to the sites listed in Section IX will be accepted Monday through Friday, when school is in session, between the hours of 6:30 AM and 2:00 pm, unless prior arrangements have been made with the Director of Food Service. Some districts will require deliveries for summer food programs.
- d. An accurately priced delivery invoice must accompany all deliveries, and will include an invoice number; quantities of each item delivered, unit prices, and extended prices.
- e. Credit memos shall be issued at delivery time for items on the invoices but not delivered.
- f. An authorized food service employee must sign delivery invoices and credit memos, and a copy must be left with the Food Service Department at the time of delivery.

5.2 Delivery Temperatures

- a. Frozen: All frozen foods are to be delivered rock-hard frozen at 0 degrees Fahrenheit, plus or minus 5 degrees F. Partially thawed goods, or products with evidence of thawing and refreezing, will be rejected at the time of delivery
- b. Refrigerated: All refrigerated products shall be delivered at a product temperature appropriate to industry guidelines for that specific product, and shall have been maintained at this temperature at all times during storage and shipment, but never at a product temperature that exceeds 40 degrees Fahrenheit.

c. Dry: All dry products shall be delivered at a product temperature appropriate to industry guidelines for that specific product, and shall have been maintained at this temperature at all times during storage and shipment.

5.3 Inspection/Acceptance /Rejection:

The Member Districts reserve the right to reject any goods that contain defects in material or workmanship or that fail to meet the specifications contained herein or the vendor's warranties (express or implied). Rejected goods shall be removed at the expense of the vendor, promptly after notification of rejection, including transportation both ways. Vendor should be prepared to replace rejected items on a timely basis so as not to disrupt program production schedules.

5.4 Payment:

Payment will be made following approval by the Member Districts Board of Education. Payment by Member Districts' Boards for goods supplied hereunder shall not constitute acceptance thereof if subsequent inspection discloses defects in material or workmanship or a failure to meet the specification contained herein.

5.5 Federal Monies:

It is estimated that 10% of the expenditures during the contract year will be paid out of federal monies.

SECTION VI

INSURANCE

General:

The Vendor shall not commence work under the Contract until he has obtained all insurance required, nor shall the Vendor allow any Subcontractor or Sub-subcontractor to commence work or any portion of the work unless all insurance required of the Subcontractor and the Vendor has similarly approved the Sub-subcontractor.

1. All such insurance shall be purchased only from companies licensed and duly authorized by the Department of Insurance of the State of Illinois to do business in Illinois and to write the types of insurance policies as herein specified. The companies shall have a policyholder's rating of "A" and a financial rating of "AAAAA" as stated in the latest edition of Best's Insurance Guide.
2. The insurance coverage required under this Article shall be maintained by the Vendor, Subcontractors and Sub-subcontractors until the Vendor completes all work and is accepted by the Member Districts.

Automobile Liability:

Each Vendor shall obtain, at his expense, Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance covering all owned, hired, and non-owned vehicles, providing for bodily injury and death coverage in limits of an amount not less than \$500,000 per person and \$1,000,000 per accident, and property damage coverage in limits of an amount not less than \$500,000 per accident. The Vendor shall be the named insured.

Workmen's Compensation. Each Vendor shall obtain, at its expense, insurance protecting the Vendor from all liabilities that may be imposed under the Worker's Compensation Act and the Worker's Occupational Diseases Act of the State of Illinois. In the event any portion of the work is sublet, each Vendor shall require the Subcontractor and Sub-subcontractor to similarly provide such insurance for all their employees. The limit of liability afforded under the Employer's Liability Section of the Worker's Compensation and Employer's Liability Policy shall not be less than \$500,000 for any one accident or occupational disease. Certificates of Insurance indicating State-approved self-insurance on aggregate excess for Worker's Compensation and Occupational Disease are acceptable, subject to the approval of the Member Districts.

Comprehensive General Liability and Property Damage:

Each Vendor shall obtain, at his expense, such Comprehensive General Liability and Property Damage Insurance as shall protect him from claims for damages for bodily injury, including accidental death, as well as from claims for property damage including loss of use resulting from accidental death, as well as from claims for property damage including loss of use resulting

there from, which may arise from activities under or incidental to the contract, both on or off the site, whether such activities be by himself, any subcontractor or Sub-subcontractor or anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them, or as otherwise may be herein specified. Public Liability Insurance shall be in an amount not less than \$3,000,000 for bodily injury, including accidental death, to any one person and subject to the same limits for any one occurrence. Property Damage Insurance shall be in an amount not less than \$1,000,000 for damage to property in any one occurrence, with an aggregate limit of not less than \$3,000,000. The comprehensive General Liability Insurance shall include coverage for Operations-Premises, Product Liability, Contractor's Protective Liability, Completed Operation,s and Contractual Liability. The policy shall be endorsed to provide Broad Form Property Damage Liability.

Owner's Protection:

Each Vendor shall provide, at its expense, Owner's Protective Insurance naming the Member Districts as Co-Insured, and shall include the Member Districts as named insureds under the foregoing Comprehensive General Liability and Property Damage Insurance. Said insurance shall afford the member districts the same protection and in the same amounts as required in the paragraph above for the supplier and shall protect the member districts from all claims for bodily injury and property damage arising from ownership of the premises and general supervision or observation of the work, including claims by employees of the Vendor, Subcontractors, or Sub-subcontractors.

The Vendor shall furnish the Member Districts copies of the policy, which shall contain a provision that the policy will not be canceled until at least 30 business days' prior written notice has been given to the Member Districts.

Within 15 business days after notice of Award, the Vendor shall file with the Member Districts a Certificate of Insurance showing complete coverage of all insurance required by this Article signed by the insurance companies or their authorized agents, certifying to the name and address of the party insured, the description of the work covered by such insurance, the insurance policy number, the limits of liability of the policies and dates of their expirations, with further certification from the insurance companies that their policies will not be materially modified, amended, changes, canceled, or terminated without 30 business days prior written notice to the Member Districts.

Certificates of Insurance and letters of indemnification of any form of Umbrella or Excess of Loss coverage for Employer's Liability, General Liability, or Auto Liability of not less than \$4,000,000 for any one occurrence and subject to the same aggregate are acceptable in lieu of the limits specified in this Article, subject to the approval of the Member Districts as to form and amount of self-insured retention. The Member Districts reserve the right to require a copy of the entire policy.

SECTION VII

WEIGHTING FACTORS:

55% - Price

20% - Delivery

- A. Drop Size
- B. Drop Frequency
- C. Delivery to each District
- D. Minimum dollar amount for delivery, if any

10% - Internet-based ordering system

Vendor has an internet-based ordering system. Vendor's computerized ordering system allows customers to check current prices, has an inventory system, and will accept and process special orders. Vendor provides software and training for the use of online ordering at no charge. System must include the following reports:

- Usage with Cases and Dollars
- Case and Dollars by Personal Order Guide
- High – Low Usage with Cases
- High – Low Usage with Dollars
- Nutritionals on all products
- Usage by Vendor/Manufacturer
- Usage with Cases only
- Allows customers to check and print order history by item, district, and varying timeframes.

5% - Processing: Using Net Off Invoice and Rebates

Please detail what the following would entail:

5% - Annual Training Session/Food Shows

5% - Miscellaneous

SECTION VIII

Fixed Fee Chart

A. Fill in the fixed fee for any item (except catch weight) not in the proposal:

Laid-in Cost Per Unit (case)		Fixed Fee Per Unit (case)	
\$ 15.00	\$ Or less	\$	<u>1.75</u>
\$ 15.01	\$ 20.00	\$	<u>2.00</u>
\$ 20.01	\$ 25.00	\$	<u>2.25</u>
\$ 25.01	\$ 30.00	\$	<u>2.50</u>
\$ 30.01	\$ 35.00	\$	<u>3.00</u>
\$ 35.01	\$ 40.00	\$	<u>3.50</u>
\$ 40.01	\$ 45.00	\$	<u>4.00</u>
\$ 45.01	\$ 50.00	\$	<u>4.50</u>
\$ 50.01	\$ 55.00	\$	<u>5.00</u>
\$ 55.01	\$ 60.00	\$	<u>5.50</u>
\$ 60.01	\$ 65.00	\$	<u>6.00</u>
\$ 65.01	\$ 70.00	\$	<u>6.00</u>
\$ 70.01	\$ 75.00	\$	<u>6.00</u>
\$ 75.01	\$ 80.00	\$	<u>6.00</u>
\$ 80.01	Over	\$	<u>6.00</u>

B. Fill in the fee for catch weight items not on the list shall be:

Laid-in Cost Per Pound		Fixed Fee Per Pound	
\$ 1.00	Or less	\$	<u>.10</u>
\$ 1.01	\$ 1.25	\$	<u>.10</u>
\$ 1.26	\$ 1.50	\$	<u>.12</u>
\$ 1.51	\$ 1.75	\$	<u>.12</u>
\$ 1.76	\$ 2.00	\$	<u>.15</u>
\$ 2.01	\$ 2.25	\$	<u>.15</u>
\$ 2.26	\$ 2.50	\$	<u>.20</u>
\$ 2.51	\$ 2.75	\$	<u>.20</u>
\$ 2.76	\$ 3.00	\$	<u>.20</u>
\$ 3.01	\$ 3.25	\$	<u>.25</u>
\$ 3.26	\$ 3.50	\$	<u>.25</u>
\$ 3.50	Over	\$	<u>.25</u>

SECTION IX

SCHOOL	DIRECTOR	EMAIL	SCHOOL ADDRESS/PHONE	DELIVERIES PER WEEK
Academy of St Carlo Acutis	Stacy Savitch	ssavitcvh@lasallecatholic.org	815-200-1991	
LaSalle Campus	After 8:30		650 4th St, LaSalle 61301	1
Oglesby Campus			336 Alice Ave, Oglesby 61348	1
Peru Campus	After 8:30		2003 5th St, Peru 61354	1
Allen Otter Creek CCSD #65	Kathlyn Craft	kcrafft@ransomgradeschool.net	815-822-3082	
Allen Otter Creek/Ransom			400 S Lane St Ransom 60470	1
Ball Chatham School Dist #5	Chad Martel	cmartel@bcsd5.org	217-691-6316	
Ball Elementary	Gates lock @ 7:20	Receiving door on east side of building	1015 New City Rd Chatham 62629	2 - Prefer Mon & Weds
Glenwood Elementary		Receiving door, south side, Under GES	1401 E Plummer Chatham 62629	2 - Prefer Mon & Weds
Glenwood High School		Loading dock on north side (back)	1501 E Plummer Chatham 62629	3 - Prefer Mon, Weds & Fri
Glenwood Intermediate		Loading dock on north side (back)	465 Chatham Rd Chatham 62629	2 - Prefer Mon & Weds
Glenwood Middle School		Receiving door on north side (back)	595 Chatham Rd Chatham 62629	3 - Prefer Mon, Weds, Fri
Chatham Elementary	Gates lock @ 8:30	Receiving door on west side, Taylor St	525 S College St Chatham 62629	2 - Prefer Mon & Weds
Bartonville Grade #66	Kim Kirkbride	kkirkbride@bgs66.org	309-643-8113	
		Back door on Keller	6000 S Adams St Bartonville 61607	1

Bureau Valley #340	Ellen Ringle	eringle@bureauvalley.net	815-379-9352	
Bureau Valley North			323 S Main St Walnut 61376	1
Bureau Valley High			9154 2125 North Ave Manlius 61338	2
Bureau Valley Elementary			109 W 4th St Wyanet 61379	1
Bureau Valley Elem & Jr High			9080 2125 N Ave Manlius 61338	2
Cambridge CUSD #227	Katie Janson	kjanson@district227.org	309-932-4932	
Cambridge Jr/Sr HS	Katie Janson	kjanson@district227.org	300 S West St, Cambridge 61238	1
Cambridge Grade School	Alice Ford	aford@district227.org	312 S West St, Cambridge 61338	1
Casey-Westfield CUSD #4C	Jessica Henderson	jessica.henderson@caseywestfield.org	217-932-2178	
Monroe Elementary	Kelli Donhou	kelli.donhou@caseywestfield.org	301 E Monroe Ave Casey 62420	1
Casey-Westfield Jr-Sr HS			306 E Edgar Ave Casey 62420	1
Cissna Park CUSD #6	Maria Stadel	maria.stadel@cpschool.org	815-383-0033	
			511 N 2nd St Cissna Park 60924	1
Cornell Grade School #426	Kayla Lyons	klyons@cornellgradeschool.org	815-358-2216	
		Back kitchen door by the basketball court	300 7th St Cornell 61316	1
Creston CSD #161	Diana Brizuela	dbrizuela@crestonschool.org	815-440-1111	

			202 W South St Creston 60113	Bi-Weekly
Deer Park School #82	Maria Hufnagel	mhufnagel@deerpark82.org	815-343-1108	
			2350 E 1025th Rd Ottawa 61350	1
DePue Unit School Dist #103	Elvia Moreno	morenoe@depueschools.org	815-915-5611	
		Cafeteria window on Pleasant St	204 Pleasant St DePue 61322	2
Donovan CUSD #3	Shantel Jacobs	jacobss@donovanschools.org	815-486-7395	
Donovan Elementary		1/2 way down West driveway	2561 E US Hwy 52, Donovan 60931	1
Donovan Jr/Sr High		Take Dietrich on West side of school	600 North St, Donovan 60931	1
Earlville CUSD #9	Deb Peters	dpeters@earlville9.org	815-830-5448	
		Dock ramp behind East building-ring bell	415 W Union St, Earlville 60518	1-
East Moline School Dist #37	Colin Kave	ckave@emds37.org	309-236-2215	
East Moline Schoold Dist		2 docks	3451 Morton Dr, East Moline 61244	1/2
Glenview Middle School			3100 7th St, East Moline 61244	1/2
East Moline Early Learning Center			3100 4th Ave, East Moline 61244	1/2
Eswood CCSD #269	Norna Seaworth	nseaworth@eswoodschool.org	815-751-1937	

			304 N Main St, Lindenwood 61049	Monthly
Fieldcrest CUSD #6			309-432-2177	
Fieldcrest Intermediate	Kim Yunker	kyunker@unit6.org	306 N Maple, Toluca 61369	1
Fieldcrest Middle	Marla Antolik	mantolik@unit6.org	102 W Elm, Wenona 61377	1
Fieldcrest HS	Susie Swartz	sswartz@unit6.org	1 Dornbush Dr, Minonk 61760	1
Fieldcrest Primary	Lisa Yunker	ljunker@unit6.org	523 Johnson St, Minonk 61760	1
Flanagan-Cornell Unit #74	Susan Ulrich	sulrich@fc74.org	815-419-5182	
			292 E Falcon Hwy Flanagan 61740	1
Galesburg HS #205	Matthew Davis	mdavis2@galesburg205.org	309-337-6708	
			1135 W Fremont St Galesburg 61401	2
			2150 Veterans Dr Galesburg 61401	2
Geneseo CUSD #228	Michele Hepner	mhepner@geneseoschools.org	309-853-6546	
Geneseo High School			700 N State St, Geneseo 61254	2
Geneseo Middle School			Deliver to HS address	2
Millikin Elem			920 S Congress, Geneseo 61254	2
Grand Ridge Grade School #95	Doreen Danko	dankod@grgs95.org	815-257-2079	

			401 W Main, Grand Ridge 61325	1
Hall High School #502	Shane Guenther	jwales@hallhighschool502.com	779-287-0997	
		Door 19	800 W Erie St, Spring Valley 61362	2
Hazel Crest School	Annie Wade	awade@sd1525.org	708-522-2358	
Barack Obama		Deliver to door 5	16448 Park Ave, Markham 60428	2
Jesse White		Deliver to door 5	16910 Western Ave, Hazel Crest 60429	2
Henry-Senachwine CUD #5	Sasha Stillwell	sstillwell@hscud5.org	309-238-2111	
Henry-Senachwine HS			1023 College St, Henry 61537	1
Henry-Senachwine GS			912 Richard St, Henry 61537	1
Heyworth CUSD #4	Julie Rogers	julier@husd4.org	309-242-2371	
Heyworth Jr/Sr High			308 W Cleveland Heyworth 61745	2
Heyworth Elem			100 S Joselyn Heyworth 61745	2
Holy Cross	Carrie Delhotal	@holycrossmendota.com	815-303-1053	
			1008 Jefferson St Mendota 61342	1

Hoopeston Area School Dist #11	Tina Samet	samettm@hoopeston.k12.il.us	217-474-9704	
			615 E Orange Hoopeston 60942	2
Indian Creek School Dist #425	Jane May	jane.may@ictwolves.com	815-824-2197	
Indian Creek Elem			301 W Cherokee Ave, Shabbona 60550	1
Indian Creek HS			506 S Shabbona Rd Shabbona 60550	1
Indian Creek Middle School		Use front circle 220 N Maple St	301 E Garfield St Waterman 60556	1
Kemmerer Village	Mike Dance	mike.dance@kemmerervillage.org	217-827-2384	
			941 E 2500 Rd, Assumption 62510	1
Kewanee School Dist #229	Pat Damron	pdamron@kcud229.org	309-525-1322	
Kewanee High School			1101 East 3rd St, Kewanee 61443	2
Central Jr High			215 E Central Blvd, Kewanee 61443	2
Neponset Elem			201 W Main St, Neponset 61345	1
Kings CUSD #144	Tracy Nason	tnason@kings144.org	815-562-7191	
			100 First St, Kings 61068	Monthly
Ladd CCSD #94	Becky Raineri	braineri@laddccsd94.com	815-303-5284	

		West of building, yellow posts	232 E Cleveland, Ladd 61329	1
LaMoille Schools CUSD #303	Janice Geuther	jgeuther@lamoilleschools.org	815-866-2975	
LaMoille HS			801 S Main St LaMoille 61330	By-Weekly
Allen Grade School	Karen Fischer		301 Main St, LaMoille 61330	By-Weekly
LaSalle County Detention Home	Jake Holland	j holland@lasallecounty.org	815-434-8300	
			707 E Etna Rd, Ottawa 61350	1
LaSalle Elem #122	Lori Pyszka	pyszkal@lasalleschools.net	815-228-1321	
Lincoln Jr High			1165 St. Vincents Ave LaSalle 61301	1
Northwest Elem			1735 Malcolm Ave, LaSalle 61301	1
LaSalle Peru HS #120	Bobby Riahi	briahi@lphs.net	815-220-2747	
			541 Charters, LaSalle 61301	2
Lostant CUSD #425	Desiree Dinoto	dinotod@lostantcomets.org	815-681-4818	
		Back of school, south side	315 W 3rd St, Lostant 61334	1
Low-Point Washburn CUSD #21	Jeanette Carter	carter@lwcusd21.com	309-238-3518	
			508 E Walnut, Washburn 61570	1
Marseilles ESD #150	Terrie Spicer	tspicer@mes150.org	815-579-5749	

			201 Chicago St, Marseilles 61341	1
Mazon-Verona-Kinsman ESD #2C	Danah Kenney	dkenny@mvmkavericks.org	815-354-1213	
		East side at large overhead door #E2	1013 North St, Mazon 60444	1
Mendota Elementary School #289	Carrie Delhotal	cdelho@m289.org	815-303-1053	
		North driveway behind garage by dumpsters	1806 Guiles Ave, Mendota 61342	2
Mendota Twp High School #280	Christa Dean	cdean@mendotahs.org	708-269-2072	
			2300 W Main St, Mendota 61342	1
Meridian CUSD #15	Dena Tague	tagued@meridianhawks.net	217-764-5269	
			509 S Lewis St, Blue Mound 62513	1
Meridian Elementary School				
Meridian Middle/High School			728 S Wall St, Macon 62544	1
Metamora CC School #1	Karla Kiesewetter	kkiesewetter@mgsredbirds.org	309-229-0559	
			815 E Chatham St, Metamora 61548	1
Midland #7	Carrie Hattan	chattan@midland-7.net	309-696-0567	
			625 6th St, Lacon 61540	2
Midland Elementary				
Midland Middle School			901 Hilltop Dr, Sparland 61565	2
Midland High School			1830 State Route 17, Varna 61375	2

Milford Area Public Schools #124	Janice Miller	jmiiler@mpsk12.org	815-471-3038	
			100 S Chicago St, Milford 60953	1
Miller Twp CCSD #210	Rachel Childers	rchilders@miltonpoppe.net	815-587-5230	
			3197 E 28th Rd, Marseilles 61341	1
Morris Elem School Dist #54	Alisha Janociak	ajanociak@morris54.org	815-545-2968 or 815-318-6923	
			2001 DuPont Ave, Morris 60450	1
Newark CCSD #66 & #18	Mary Compton	mcompton@ngsd66.org	815-970-4622	
			503 Chicago Rd, Newark 60541	1
North Mac CUSD #34	Melissa ONeal	moneal@northmacschools.org	217-381-9818	
North Mac Elem			755 W Fortune St Virden 62690	2
North Mac Middle School			525 N Third St, Girard 62640	2
North Mac HS			231 W Fortune St Virden 62690	2
Odell CCSD #435	Misty Patchett	patchettm@odell.k12.il.us	816-909-8495	
			203 N East St, Odell 60460	1
Oglesby Public Schools #125	Brittney Stokes	stokesb@ops125.net	815-343-2833	
Lincoln School			755 Bennett Ave, Oglesby 61348	1
Ohio CCGS #17 & HS #505	Michelle Carr	mcarr@0sd17.com	815-376-2934	
		East side of building, overhead garage	103 S Memorial St, Ohio 61349	1

Orion CUSD #223	Sheri Schulenberg	sschulenberg@orionschools.us	309-526-3388	
C.R. Hanna Elem School			900 14th Ave, Orion 61273	1
Orion Middle School			800 12th Ave, Orion 61273	1
Orion High School			1100 12th St, Orion 61273	1
Ottawa Elem Dist #141	Vicki McConnell	vmcconnell@oes141.org	815-274-4180 or 815-313-3337	
Shepherd		Behind school	701 E McKinley Rd, Ottawa 61350	2
Paw Paw CUSD #271	Dawn Nicholson	dnicholson@2paws.net	815-973-1063	
		Back door	511 Chapman St, Paw Paw 61353	1
Pawnee CSD #11	Kedra Brown	kbrown@pawneeschools.org	217-625-2471 or 217-827-5641	
		Door S in back of first school	810 Fourth St, Pawnee 62558	1
Peru Elem #124	Toni Moss	tmoss@perued.net	815-503-2618	
Parkside	Toni Moss		1800 Church St, Peru 61354	1
Northview	Holly Buczkowski		2100 Plum St, Peru 61354	1
Pontiac Dist #429	Mary Schmidgall	Schmidgallmar@pontiac429.org	815-844-4563	
Pontiac Jr High		Back door by the coolers	600 North Morrow St, Pontiac 61764	2
Pontiac High School #90	Diana Dennis	ddennis@pontiac90.org	815-674-7789	
			1100 E Indiana Ave, Pontiac 61764	2

Potomac CUSD #10	Christie Fitzsimmons	fitzsimmons@potomac.k12.il.us	217-841-0008	
			7915 US Rte 136, Potomac 61865	1
Prairie Central CUSD #8	Susan Cavazos	scavazos@prairiecentral.org	815-274-6418	
Primary East			407 S Fourth St, Chatsworth 609921	1
Primary West			700 S Division St, Chenoa 61726	1
Elementary			600 S First St, Fairbury 61739	1
Upper Elementary			312 N Center, Forrest 61741	1
Jr High School			800 N Wood, Forrest 61741	2
High School			411 N Seventh St, Fairbury 61739	2
Princeton Elem Dist #115	Lisa Clark	foodservice.logan@pes115.org	815-866-4511	
			25 S Mercer St, Princeton 61356	2
Princeton Twp High School #500	Shawn Lewis	shawn.lewis@phs-il.org	815-878-5513 or 815-875-3308 x1052	
			103 S Euclid, Princeton 61356	2
Prophetstown Lyndon Tampico	Valorie Armstrong	varmstrong@plt3.org	815-590-0269	

Prophetstown High School			38 Ferry St, Prophetstown 61277	1
Prophetstown Elem		Back of building	301 W Third St, Prophetstown 61277	1
Tampico Elem		Back of building	304 E Kimball, Tampico 61283	1
Putnam County CUSD #535	Sheila Pinter	pinters@pcschools535.org	815-882-2800 or 815-878-4385	
Junior High	Allison Delhotal		13183 N 350th Ave, McNabb 61335	1
Elementary	Jamie Seibert		326 S 5th St, Hennepin 61327	1
Primary	Heather Boggio		400 E Silverspoon Ave, Granville 61326	1
High School	Cindy Mennie		402 E Silverspoon Ave, Granville	1
Rantoul City Schools Dist #137	Reinie Zedrick	rzedrick@rcs137.org	217-893-5400	
			400 E Wabash Rantoul 61866	2
River Bend Shool Dist #2	Stacey Collachia	scollachia@riverbendschools.net	309-558-8108	
River Bend Middle School			415 12th St, Fulton 61252	2
Fulton High school			1207 12th St, Fulton 61252	2
Riverdale CUSD #100	Deb Beale	dbeale@riverdaleschools.org	309-523-3184 ext 4140	
Riverdale Elem			9424 256th St North, Port Byron 61275	2
Riverdale High School			9622 256th St North, Port Byron 61275	2

Rock Island-Milan School Dist #41	Beth MacKenna	beth.mackenna@rimsd41.org	309-429-2070	
Central Kitchen			2000 7th Ave, Rock Island 61201	3
Rock Island High School			1400 25th Ave, Rock Island 61201	3
Edison Jurnior High			4141 9th St, Rock Island 61201	2
Washington Junior High		Takes Summer Delivery	3300 18th Ave, Rock Island 61201	2
Rockridge CUSD #300	Kelli Weeks	kweeks@rr300.org	309-793-8001	
Rockridge Jr Sr High		Deliver to Door 12	14110 134th Ave West, Taylor Ridge 61284	1
Andalusia Elem		Deliver to Door 7	112 7th Ave, Andalusia 61232	1
Taylor Ridge Elem		Deliver to Door 2	13227 Turkey Hallow Rd, Taylor Ridge 61284	1
Illinois City Elem		Deliver to Door 2	24017 122nd Ave West, Illinois City 61259	1
Rooks Creek CCSD #425	Linda Zehr	zehrl@rookscreek.k12.il.us	815-743-5346 / 815-326-0176	
			228 Lydia St Graymont, 61743	1

Rutland Twp CCSD #230	Shelley Drake	sdrake@rutlandgs.org	815-252-2013	
			3231 II Rte 71 East, Ottawa 61350	1
St. Michael	Heather Hinze	hhinze@stmichael-streator.org	815-673-3590	
		Back door by the dumpster	410 S Park, Streator 61364	1
Saratoga CCD #60C	Jen Carroll	jcarroll@sd60c.org	815-685-7138	
		Door #17 at SW corner	4040 N Division St Morris 60450	2
Saunemin CCSD #439	Darlene Crouch	olsonl@saunemin.org	815-832-4421	
		West side door	39 Main St, Saunemin 61769	1
Seneca CCSD #170	Wendy Condon	wcondon@sgs170.org	815-768-9742	
South Campus			410 S Main St, Seneca 61360	1-2
North Campus			174 Oak St, Seneca 61360	1 X beginning of year
Seneca Twp High School #160	Beth Miller	bmiller@senecahs.org	815-252-4333	
		Door K on North side	307 E Scott St, Seneca 61360	2
Serena CUSD #2	Melinda Temple	mtemple@unit2.net	815-973-1961	
Serena High School			2283 N 3812th Rd Serena 60549	1
Silvis School District #34	Colin Kave	ckave@emsd37.org	309-236-2215	
George O Barr Elem			1305 5th Ave, Silvis 61282	1-2

Northeast Junior High School			4280 4th Ave, East Moline 61244	1-2
Smart Christian Academy	Jody Jones	jodez1979@gmail.com	217-328-2532	
Little Hearts & Hands			Little Hearts & Hands	2
Little Hearts & Hands			2710 Boulder Dr, Urbana 61802	2
Smart Christian Academy			1912 E Windsor Rd, 61802	2
Spring Valley CCSD #99	Dayna Gaeta	gaeta.d@sv99.org	815-878-1441 / 815-664-8294	
JFK	Christine Kelinou		999 Strong St, Spring Valley 61362	2
Steward Elem Dist #220	Sarah Malcolm	smalcolm@stewardschool220.org	815-440-9349	
		By kitchen door	602 Main St, Steward 60553	2
Streator ESD #44	Bethany McConnell	bmccconnell@ses44.net	815-993-7271	
Northlawn jr High			202 E First St, Streator 61364	2
Thomasboro CCSD #130	Dave Novitski	dnovitski@tgs130.org	217-643-3275	
			201 N Phillips, Thomasboro 61878	1
Tonica CCSD #79	Jodi Robare	jrobare@tonicagradeschool.org	815-442-3420	
		North door - buzz	535 N 1981st Rd, Tonica 61370	1

Tri-Point CUSD #6J	Sharon Vito	vitos@tripointschools.org	309-212-7159	
Tri-Point HS			100 E Vanalstyne St, Cullom 60629	1
Tri-Point Jr High			519 S Margaret St, Piper City 60959	1
Tri-Point Elem			100 E Main St, Kempton 60946	1
Tri-Valley CUSD #3	Catie Cleary	ccleary@tri-valley3.org	815-228-0740	
Tri-Velley Elem		Main entrance	409 E Washington St, Downs 61736	1
Tri-Valley MS		Back of school near dumpsters	505 E Washington St, Downs 61736	1
Tri-Valley HS		Side/back entrance	503 E Washington St, Downs 61736	1
Trinity Lutheran School	Elsie Ranta	elsieranta@trinluth.org	217-369-3527	
		Deliver to kitchen door "F" through back		1
United CUSD #304	Tammi Hennenfent	tammi.hennenfent@u304.org	309-337-0964	
United North Elem	Bobbi Niece	309-221-1832	411 West Hunt, Alexis 61412	1
United JH/West Elem	Taylor Lozier	309-221-5199	2138 State Hwy 135, Monmouth 61462	2
United HS	Rosemary Martin		1905 100th St, Monmouth 61462	2
United Township High School	Scott Ringberg	sringberg@uths.net	309-236-2800	
United Twp High School #30			1275 Avenue of the Cities, East Moline 61244	3

Wallace CCSD #195	Tracy Roether	troether@wallacegs.org	815-228-3070	
			1463 N 33rd Rd Ottawa 61350	1
Wethersfield District #230	Ladosha Bystry	309-525-0892	lbystry@geese230.com	
		Back to kitchen entrance by freezer		1
Williamsfield CUSD #210	Nancy Brown	nancy.brown@billtown.org	309-337-5888	
			325 W Kentucky Ave 61489	1
Woodland CUSD #5	Sarah Parcher	parchers@woodland5.net	779-237-0441	
			5800 E 3000 North Rd, Streator 61364	1
Zearing Child Enrichment Center	Nicole Sampson	sampsonn.zcec@gmail.com	815-875-2335	
			633 Masonic Dr Princeton 61356	1

SECTION X

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CONTRACTORS' CERTIFICATION

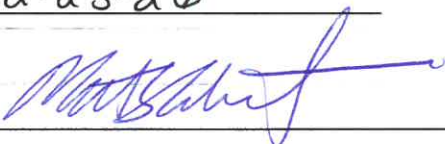
As a duly authorized agent of the company, I do hereby certify that we are not barred from bidding on this contract/project as a result of a conviction on either Section E or Chapter 38 of the Illinois Revised Statutes for bid rigging or bid rotating.

Company Name: Kohl Wholesale

Address: 130 Jersey

Quincy, IL 62301

Date: 2-23-26

By:  (Signature)

Title: President

Phone: 800-245-5645

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23rd day of February 2026.

Sherry R Cantrell
Notary Public
SEAL



Note: This form must be returned with your completed bid specifications. Failure to do so will disqualify your bid.

Section XI

RETURN PROPOSAL:

By 3:00 PM CST on February 25, 2026, bidders must submit the bid electronically. The electronic version must be submitted through the Interflex BidAdvantage system. We also ask that a hard copy of the bid be returned to the address below, by 3:00 PM CST on February 25, 2026

Vendor name: Kohl Wholesale
Address: 130 Jersey City: Quincy
State: Illinois Zip: 62301 Telephone: 800-222-5645
Contact Person: Tempa McRaynolds Title: Bid Pricing Manager
Authorized Signature: Tempa McRaynolds Date: 2-23-26

Contract Administrator:

Christopher B. Dvorak
LaSalle, Marshall, Putnam
Regional Office of Education
119 W. Madison St, Room 102
Ottawa, IL 61350

Authorized Signature _____ Date: _____
(Administrative Agent)



The ROE35 Illinois School Meals Cooperative is an Equal Opportunity Employer.
We reserve the Right to reject any and all bids.
We reserve the Right to overlook errors in bids that are not substantial.

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Vendor Name: Kohl Wholesale

Weighting Factors - This form MUST be returned with your proposal.

Please confirm the following items:

Vendor has supplied accurate calculations and extensions of RFP prices. Yes or No

Vendor agrees to maintain 100 percent of listed bid items in stock. Yes or No

Vendor has an internet-based ordering system. Yes or No

Vendor's computerized ordering system allows customers to check current prices. Yes or No

Vendor provides software and training for the use of online ordering at no charge. Yes or No

A computerized ordering system allows customers to check the inventory of items. Yes or No

Vendor's ordering system has nutritional information on every product. Yes or No

Vendor offers Rebates. Yes or No



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**CERTIFICATE
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NUTRITION DEPARTMENT

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

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

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

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

Kohl Wholesale
Organization Name

PR/Award Number or Project Name

Tempa McKeynolds
Name of Authorized Representative

Bid Pricing Manager
Title

Tempa McKeynolds
**Digital or Original Signature of
Authorized Representative**

2-23-26
Date