

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

The following questions have been submitted concerning Bid#180302, Miscellaneous Condiments, Spices, and Staples. No amendment is needed. All questions received have been answered and are stated verbatim from what was received:

BIDDER QUESTION#1: Would you consider a frozen pre-baked themed cookie instead of the frozen cookie which you must top with sugar and bake? And would you consider a pre-baked frozen chocolate chip cookie as well as the other varieties listed under the frozen dough pucks?

Yes, the District will consider frozen pre-baked cookies for item#10 and #46. The District has also approved a variety of cookies which meet the specifications for both item#10 and #46. The Bidder must provide a full case sample of all flavor varieties that are going to be bid. The samples will be evaluated and submitted for student taste testing.

BIDDER QUESTION#2: You have the spec as a 1 to 1.33 oz - but then also require the product meet 1 grain. The products listed as approved range from $\frac{3}{4}$ bread to 1 bread. Typically a 1 oz meets $\frac{1}{2}$ grain allowing for more times it can be used. Can you clarify if the size of the cookie is the need or if you are in need of a 1 grain. The 1 oz is the best price option but typically does not meet 1 grain. Can you please clarify?

For item#46, it is imperative that the cookies meet the Smart Snack Guidelines as outlined in the specification. In addition to, the cookie must provide $\frac{3}{4}$ - 1 Grain Equivalent per the Child Nutrition Program. Each cookie should weigh a minimum of one (1) oz.

BIDDER QUESTION#3: For the Sugar 50 lb. bag, no preapproved brand, a sample is required. Is it really necessary to send in a 50 lb. bag of the sugar?

The specification for item#2, Sugar Granulated, states a five (5) lb. bag with a total estimated quantity of 150 (5 lb.) bags. Currently, the only approved brand is Monarch #6395610. If a Bidder wishes to bid an alternate brand, a five (5) lb. bag full case sample is required. There is no specification requiring a fifty (50) lb. bag of sugar.