



**GARLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
PURCHASING DEPARTMENT
501 S. Jupiter
Garland, Texas 75042**

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

ON General Retail, School Groceries and Bakery Products, PROPOSAL # 114-17

PLEASE SUBMIT PROPOSAL NO LATER THAN 10:30 A.M. LOCAL TIME ON August 7, 2017. Mark the sealed return envelope in the lower left hand corner with PROPOSAL#, time, and due date, as noted above. (Should the district close for unforeseen reasons (force majeure) on the date the solicitation is due, the above referenced date should be changed to 10:30 A.M. the first date the district is open to conduct business)

You are invited to submit a Proposal to provide General Retail and School Groceries to the Garland Independent School District (GISD) from August 31, 2017 (or date of award) through August 31, 2018, with the District's option to renew annually through August 31, 2022. The Garland Independent School District anticipates spending approximately \$150,000 annually for General Retail, School Groceries and Bakery Goods. This figure is provided as an estimate and shall not be construed as guarantee of award.

This Proposal includes Instructions to Vendors, Award/Evaluation of Proposals, Certifications, Shipping and Delivery, Terms and Conditions, Compliance Form, Specifications, and Supplier Questionnaire. These provisions shall be considered as part of any resulting legal and binding contract/purchase order as if thereto attached or therein repeated.

Total Pages: 16

THIS RFP WILL NOT BE OPENED OR READ PUBLICLY

DELIVERY DATE IS _____ Business Days ARO
(After Receipt of Order)

Company Name		
Address		
City	State	Zip
Authorized Representative Name		Title
Signature		
Printed Name		Email Address
Telephone #		Fax #

Mark A. Booker

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Director of Purchasing

1. INSTRUCTIONS TO PROPOSERS

1.1 Submission of Proposals

1.1.1. CLARIFICATION OF SPECIFICATIONS

For clarification of the specification(s) of this Request for Proposal, proposers may contact: Diane Fields, Buyer at (972) 487-3044

The individual listed above may be contacted for clarification of specification(s) only. No authority is intended or implied that specification(s) may be amended or alternates accepted prior to opening without written approval of the Garland ISD Director of Purchasing.

1.1.2. SUBMITTING QUESTIONS

Suppliers finding errors, requests for additional information, omissions, or corrections shall contact the Purchasing Department Questions by submitting an email to bids@garlandisd.net and a copy to dfields@garlandisd.net no later than 7/25/2017 at 12:00 p.m.

1.1.3. ADDENDA

All addenda will be issued as amendments to the Bid(s). All addenda will be posted by July 27, 2017 at 4:00 p.m. It is the supplier's responsibility to check the district's website: (<http://www.garlandisd.net/connect/do-business/current-opportunities>) and all electronic notifications for addendums prior to submitting responses.

1.1.4. NUMBER OF COPIES

PLEASE PROVIDE ONE (1) ORIGINAL AND ONE (1) COPY OF PROPOSAL RESPONSE! ENSURE THE ORIGINAL AND COPY ARE CLEARLY LABELED.

1.1.5. DELIVERY OF PROPOSAL

Hand-carried proposals or proposals submitted via carrier service are to be delivered to:

Garland ISD Purchasing Department
501 S. Jupiter, Garland, Texas 75042

Proposals submitted via the U. S. Postal Service are to be mailed to:

Garland ISD Purchasing Department
P. O. Box 469026, Garland, Texas 75046-9026

Clearly mark all Proposal envelopes as instructed on the front page. Allow sufficient transit time.

NOTE: Delivery of Proposal envelope to other Departments within the Garland Independent School District is not considered as delivery to the Purchasing Department.

1.1.6. SIGNED ORIGINAL

Once completed and signed, return your Proposal form to the Garland ISD Purchasing Department (as instructed above).

1.1.7. LATE SUBMISSIONS

Proposals received at the GISD Purchasing Department after the time and date specified above will not be considered and will be filed unopened. The Garland ISD shall not be held liable for late proposals.

1.1.8. OTHER FORMS OF SUBMISSION

Oral or telegraphic proposals transmitted via the District's facsimile machine are not acceptable. **DO NOT FAX OR EMAIL YOUR PROPOSALS. Only forms provided by the Garland ISD Purchasing Department may be submitted with this proposal unless written instructions permit additional pages.**

1.1.9. AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

Proposals must be signed by an authorized individual to contractually bind their firm when submitting the Proposal. Failure to sign the Proposal will be considered as a "mistake in Proposal", and the Proposal will be rejected as "non-responsive".

1.1.10. NUMBER OF PAGES

All pages of this Request for Proposal are to be returned with your proposal. Proposer shall contact the Purchasing Department if discrepancies exist.

1.1.11. FORMAT FOR PRICING

All prices must be typed or written in ink on the appropriate specification/pricing form(s). Proposals written in pencil will not be accepted. Changes may be crossed through and corrections inserted adjacent and initialed by the person preparing the Proposal. Should errors in multiplication or addition of a unit price against a total price occur, the unit price shall govern. All pricing proposed for products and/or services shall constitute entire consideration due.

1.1.12. WITHDRAWING PROPOSALS

No Proposal may be withdrawn prior to opening of proposals without written request (addressed to the Garland ISD Director of Purchasing) by an authorized agent of the proposing firm and upon written approval by the District. Proposals become the property of Garland ISD upon receipt.

1.1.13. PROPOSAL TABULATIONS

Proposers desiring a Proposal tabulation sheet resulting from this Request For Proposal may visit our web site at <http://www.garlandisd.net/connect/do-business/Proposal-tabulations>. The tabulations will be posted once the GISD Board of Trustees has approved the contract. If you are unable to download the information, please contact the Purchasing Department at 972-487-3009 and we will forward you a copy via email.

1.1.14.**DEVIATIONS**

Any and all deviations to this competitive solicitation proposed by the Proposal must be listed on the Compliance Form, not on a cover letter, catalog, etc.

1.1.15. PUBLIC INFORMATION

Garland Independent School District is a public entity subject to the provisions of the Texas Public Information Act (Texas Government Code Chapter 552). Responses to this invitation may be subject to release as public information unless the response or specific parts of the response are accepted from public disclosure under such Act. Proposers should consult with their legal counsel regarding disclosure issues and take the appropriate precautions to safeguard trade secrets or any other confidential or proprietary information before responding to this invitation. The District assumes no liability or responsibility for release of any information not properly identified and documented in accordance with the enclosed Confidential Information Declaration & Copyright Authorization Form. The District assumes no liability or responsibility for release of any information that the Texas Attorney General or a court of law determines to be subject to release.

1.1.16. POST-SUBMISSION CHANGES

A proposal that has been opened may not be changed for the purpose of correcting an error in the proposed price. Proposers submitting an erroneous proposed price may be given the option of either honoring the price as proposed or withdrawing the (erroneous) proposal [Local Government Code Subchapter B, Sec. 271.026].

1.2 Award/Evaluation of Proposals

1.2.1. WAIVING INFORMALITIES

The Garland Independent School District Board of Trustees reserves the right to accept or reject all or any part of any proposal, waive minor proposal formalities/technicalities and award the proposal deemed to be most advantageous to the District.

1.2.2. PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS

The Garland ISD shall not award a governmental contract to a proposer whose principal place of business is not in Texas, unless the nonresident under prices the lowest proposal submitted by a responsible resident proposer by an amount that is not less than the amount by which a resident Proposer would be required to under price a nonresident proposer to obtain a comparable contract in the state in which the nonresident's principal place of business is located. [This requirement does not apply to a contract involving federal funds.]; Texas Government Code, Title 10, Section 2252.002. (Refer to Supplier Questionnaire)

1.2.3. MULTIPLE AWARDS

The District reserves the right to award to a single vendor, multiple vendors, each line item separately or in any combination it determines to be in its best interest. Proposals shall cover the entire program as described herein. Proposers shall also include copies of any contracts/agreements required (by the proposing firm) and clearly identify/label it as such.

1.2.4. EVALUATION FACTORS/TIE PROPOSALS

Evaluation factors for this proposal are listed below. In the event of tie proposals, which are **equal in all respects**, shall be resolved and awarded in accordance with Local Government Code (Texas) Para. 271.901. Otherwise proposals, which reflect a tie in price, only may be awarded pursuant to the permissible factors listed in Texas Education Code, Subchapter B, Sec. 44.031(b) and set forth below:

1. the purchase price;
2. the reputation of the vendor and of the vendor's goods or services;
3. the quality of the vendor's goods or services;
4. the extent to which the goods or services meet the district's needs;
5. the vendor's past relationship with the district;
6. the impact on the ability of the district to comply with laws and rules relating to historically underutilized businesses;
7. the total long-term cost to the district to acquire the vendor's goods or services; [and]
8. for a contract for goods and services, other than goods and services related to telecommunications and information services, building construction and maintenance, or instructional materials, whether the vendor or the vendor's ultimate parent company or majority owner:
 - a. has its principal place of business in this state; or
 - b. employs at least 500 persons in this state; and
9. **Per Texas Education Code, Subchapter B, Sec. 44.031(b) *ALL CONTENTS PROVIDED IN THIS SOLICITATION, WILL BE CONSIDERED AS AN EVALUATION FACTOR!**
10. In compliance with the provisions of Texas Government Code, Title 10, Subtitle D, Section 2155.074, Section 2155.075, Section 2156.007, Section 2157.003 and Section 2157.125, and Texas Administrative Code, Title 1, Chapter 113.6, information obtained from the Texas Building and Procurement Commission's Proposer Performance Tracking System may be used in evaluating responses to solicitations for goods and services to determine the best value for the Garland Independent School District.
www.window.state.tx.us/procurement/prog/vendor_performance

1.2.5. BOARD OF TRUSTEE APPROVAL

Proposal results will be presented to the GISD Board of Trustees for consideration (if total amount awarded exceeds \$75,000) at the earliest opportunity following the official opening date.

1.2.6. FELONY CONVICTIONS

Upon notification of potential selections for award, the person or entity submitting this proposal must give notice to the district if the person or an owner or operator of the business entity has been convicted of a felony. The notice must include a general description of the conduct resulting in this conviction of a felony (this requirement does not apply to a publicly held corporation).

1.2.7. ALTERNATE AWARDS

The District awards contracts to vendors as an alternate in case the primary vendor is unable to fulfill the contractual obligations as stated in the specifications/terms and conditions.

2. CERTIFICATIONS

2.1. CERTIFICATION AFFIRMATIONS

By signing this Request for Proposal, the signed proposer affirms and certifies that its company, corporation, firm, partnership or individual's response to this proposal is in all respects compliant with all provisions in this section.

2.1.1. ANTI-COLLUSION AND FRAUD

Proposer affirms that its company, corporation, firm, partnership or individuals response to this proposal is in all respects bona fide, fair and was not made with collusion or fraud with any person, joint venture, partnership, corporation or other legal entity engaged in this type of business prior to the official opening of this proposal.

2.1.2. DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION (Executive Orders 12549 and 12689)

A contract award (see 2 CFR 180.220) must not be made to parties listed on the government wide Excluded Parties List System in the System for Award Management (SAM), in accordance with the OMB guidelines at 2 CFR 180 that implement Executive Orders 12549 (3 CFR Part 1986 Comp., p. 189) and 12689 (3 CFR Part 1989 Comp., p. 235), "Debarment and Suspension." The Excluded Parties List System in SAM contains the names of parties debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded by agencies, as well as parties declared ineligible under statutory or regulatory authority other than Executive Order 12549. Proposer certifies that the individual and/or firm on whose behalf this proposal is submitted is not listed on the Federal Government's excluded parties list (SAM).

2.1.3. COPYRIGHT AND PATENT LAWS

Proposer hereby certifies that it (or its firm hereby represented) is legally authorized to conduct business in Texas and has complied with any and all federal, state, or other laws or regulations applicable to any purchase resulting from this Request for Proposal, including, but not limited to, copyright and/or patent laws and anti-collusion law.

2.1.4. SOLE SOURCE

If the proposer professes to be the exclusive source of the item(s) or service(s) requested herein, the proposer must provide with its proposal a written statement to the fact that the sole source is due to one or more of the following (as applicable): a patent, copyright, secret process, or monopoly; a film, manuscript, or book; a utility service (electricity, gas, or water); or a captive replacement part or component for equipment. Such statements must be signed by the owner or corporate official of the firm submitting this proposal and must be notarized. This declaration shall not exempt the proposer from signing and submitting a signed proposal.

2.1.5. PUBLIC INFORMATION

By submitting a response to this request, proposer represents that it is in compliance with the requirements of Chapter 176 of the Texas Local Government Code, Disclosure of Certain Relationships with Local Government Officers; Providing Public Access to Certain Information. A list of local government Officers may be

obtained at <http://www.garlandisd.net/content/conflict-disclosure>. Failure to comply with this provision may result in the Proposal being considered non-responsive.

2.1.6. FUNDING AGREEMENTS

Proposer certifies that if the Federal award meets the definition of “funding agreement” under 37 CFR § 401.2 (a) and the recipient or sub-recipient wishes to enter into a contract with a small business firm or nonprofit organization regarding the substitution of parties, assignment or performance of experimental, developmental, or research work under that “funding agreement,” the recipient or sub-recipient must comply with the requirements of 37 CFR Part 401, “Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Agreements,” and any implementing regulations issued by the awarding agency.

2.1.7. CLEAN AIR AND WATER POLLUTION ACT

Proposer certifies that it is in compliance with the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q.) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387), as amended.

2.1.8. ENERGY POLICY AND CONSERVATION ACT

Proposer hereby certifies that it (or its firm hereby represented) that it is compliant with Certification of Compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act - When federal Funds are expended by Garland ISD for any contract resulting from this procurement process, the Supplier certifies that the Supplier will be in compliance with mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6321, et seq.; 49 C.F.R. Part 18).

2.1.9. RECORD RETENTION REQUIRMENTS

Proposer certifies that it will comply with the record retention requirements detailed in 2 CFR § 200.333 for a period of three years after grantees or sub-grantees submit final expenditure reports or quarterly or annual financial reports, as applicable, and all other depending matters.

2.1.10. RECOVERD MATERIALS

Certify that the percentage of recovered materials to be used in the performance of the contract will be at least the amount required by applicable specifications or other contractual requirements, and estimate the percentage of total material utilized for the performance of the contract which is recovered materials, in accordance with Section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. The requirements of Section 6002 include procuring only items designated in guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 40 CFR part 247 that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable, consistent with maintaining a satisfactory level of competition, where the purchase price of the item exceeds \$10,000 or the value of the quantity acquired during the preceding fiscal year exceeded \$10,000; procuring solid waste management services in a manner that maximizes energy and resource recovery; and establishing an affirmative procurement program for procurement of recovered materials identified in the EPA guidelines.

2.1.11. BYRD ANTI-LOBBYING REQUIREMENTS

Proposer certifies 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 imposed by section 1352, Title 31, U.S. Code.

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, an officer or employee of congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal grant or cooperative agreement, the proposer shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities," in accordance with its instructions <https://www.whitehouse.gov/sites/default/files/omb/grants/sfillin.pdf>

2.1.12. BUY AMERICA ACT

Proposer certifies that it is in compliance with all applicable provisions of the Buy America Act. Purchases made in accordance with the Buy America Act must still follow the applicable procurement rules calling for free and open competition. Proposer certifies the cost of domestic components exceed 51 percent of the cost of all components for each product. Domestic is defined as one that is produced and processed in the United States. Products not meeting this requirement shall be clearly identified as a deviation on the Compliance Form.

3. SHIPPING AND DELIVERY

3.1. PICKUP AND DELIVERY TIMES

Pickup and delivery will be made between the hours of 8:00 AM and 2:00 PM Monday through Friday, excluding school holidays. Purchase Order will provide Ship to address.

4. TERMS AND CONDITIONS

4.1. CASH PAYMENTS AND DISCOUNTS

Cash/prompt payment discounts offered will not be considered in determining the award but will be taken if earned.

4.2. PURCHASE ORDERS AND CONFIRMATION

The Garland Independent School District will email purchase orders in lieu of facsimile transmission. In addition to purchase orders, all solicitation notices, and award notifications will be communicated by email.

Purchase Orders will serve as the award instrument(s) against this Request for Proposal. Orders will be placed as items are approved for purchase and funds become available.

Proposers who require the use of a separate contract document, must incorporate the terms and conditions of this Request for Proposal into the document. **Proposer agrees to provide a copy of the contract document in word format upon request.**

4.3. PAYMENTS VIA ACH

Garland ISD will make all payments via ACH. Awarded supplier will be required to submit banking information on a form provided by the district at: <http://www.garlandisd.net/content/how-do-business-us>. Payment will be made within 30 days after the later of, receipt of goods/services and a properly submitted invoice. The district considers an invoice properly submitted when the following conditions are met:

- 4.3.1. Invoice is received at the address indicated on the purchase order
- 4.3.2. Pricing on the invoice matches the price on the purchase order
- 4.3.3. Include a description of the goods or services furnished, the purchase order number, invoice number and any applicable cash discount.
- 4.3.4. Quantities on the invoice do not exceed those specified on the Purchase Order
- 4.3.5. Unique invoice number used for each billing
- 4.3.6. Merchandise has been received.
- 4.3.7. Description of goods and services, and unit of measure, on the invoice, shall match the description on the Purchase Order.

NOTE: Awarded Companies are expected to ship goods and/or perform services in the same week in which they are invoiced. Invoicing procedures for each awarded company will be incorporated into the proposer's performance rating.

4.4. CHANGING QUANTITIES

Quantities may be increased or decreased at the discretion of the District.

***Quantities listed herein are best estimates only and cannot be guaranteed.**

4.5. NO SMOKING POLICY

No smoking or use of any tobacco products is permitted on school property.

4.6. CHOICE OF LAW/VENUE

This Request for Proposal and any resulting award(s) shall be interpreted within the laws of the State of Texas and the Uniform Commercial Code (UCC). In case of discrepancies between the laws of the state of Texas and the UCC, the laws of Texas will prevail. Venue for any legal action filed relative to this Request for Proposal or any resulting purchase orders shall be in Dallas County, Texas.

4.7. INVALID PROVISIONS

In the event that any one or more of the provisions contained in this Request For Proposal (or resulting purchase order) shall be held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, such provisions shall not affect any other provision hereof, and this

Request For Proposal (or any resulting purchase order) shall be construed as if the invalid, illegal or unenforceable provision(s) had never been contained herein.

4.8. QUALITY OF WORKMANSHIP

If problems with quality or workmanship arise on items received, the supplying vendor is responsible for replacing any/or all items at no cost to the Garland ISD. The supplying vendor will also be responsible for returning to the designated campus or department to pick up the items in question. Garland ISD will not be responsible for shipping items back to vendors.

4.9. OVERCHARGE CLAIMS

Successful proposer(s) hereby assigns to purchaser any and all claims for overcharges associated with any contract resulting from this Request for Proposal which arise under the antitrust laws of the United States, 15 USCA Section 1 et. seq., and which arise under the antitrust laws of the State of Texas, Tex. Bus. & Com. Code, Section 15.01 et. seq.

4.10. AVAILABILITY OF FUNDING

Garland ISD's fiscal year is September 1 through August 31. Funds are available for the current fiscal year only. Should the Garland ISD Board of Trustees not approve funds for this service, any contract resulting from this Request for Proposal will automatically terminate on the last day of the school fiscal year for which funds have been appropriated at no further cost or obligation to the District.

4.11. CANCELLATION FOR CONVENIENCE

The Garland Independent School District reserves the right to cancel any contract (purchase order) resulting from this Request for Proposal at any time, for any reason (or for no reason) with a thirty (30) day written notice to the contractor(s). Contractor may cancel any resulting contract, at any time for any reason, or for no reason with a sixty (60) day written notice. Any notice required or permitted to be delivered to the contractor(s) shall be deemed to be delivered when mailed by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, and addressed to the Proposalders' address appearing on the face of the Request for Proposal (or as subsequently revised or changed). Any compensation due the contractor(s) will be limited to items received and/or services performed and accepted by the District.

4.12. CANCELLATION FOR CAUSE

District shall have all remedies available at law or in equity. Where the Supplier is in default in delivery or otherwise, or has breached any terms or conditions of this contract. Garland ISD may terminate this contract in whole or in part without any adjustment, and in addition to any other remedy provided by law, may procure items or services, similar to those as to which this contract is terminated, and Supplier shall be liable to Garland ISD for any costs or such similar items or services in excess of the price or prices specified herein, provided, however, that Supplier shall continue the performance of this contract to the extent not terminated by the Garland ISD.

4.13. AGREEMENT BETWEEN PARTIES

The Contract Document consisting of the purchase order(s) and the Specifications or any documents attached thereto or expressly incorporated therein constitute the entire agreement between the parties hereto with respect to the matters covered thereby. All prior negotiation representation and agreements, with respect thereto not incorporated in such Contract

Documents, are hereby cancelled. This Agreement can be modified or amended only by a document duly executed on behalf of the parties hereto.

4.14. DISTRICT ACCESS TO WORK AREA

District and its representative shall at all times have access to work whether it is in preparation or in progress. Laboratory shall provide proper and safe facilities for such access and for inspection.

4.15. HOLD HARMLESS

TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, SUPPLIER AND ITS AGENTS, PARTNERS, EMPLOYEES, AND CONSULTANTS (COLLECTIVELY "INDEMNITORS") SHALL AND DO AGREE TO INDEMNIFY, PROTECT, DEFEND WITH COUNSEL APPROVED BY DISTRICT, AND HOLD HARMLESS THE DISTRICT, REPRESENTATIVES OF THE DISTRICT, AND ITS MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, ADMINISTRATORS, OTHER EMPLOYEES AND AGENTS (COLLECTIVELY "INDEMNITEES") FROM AND AGAINST ALL CLAIMS, DAMAGES, LOSSES, LIENS, CAUSES OF ACTION, SUITS, JUDGMENTS AND EXPENSES, INCLUDING ATTORNEY FEES, OF ANY NATURE, KIND, OR DESCRIPTION (COLLECTIVELY "LIABILITIES") OF ANY PERSON OR ENTITY WHOMSOEVER ARISING OUT OF, CAUSED BY, OR RESULTING FROM THE PERFORMANCE OF SERVICES, OR PROVISION OF GOODS, BY VENDOR PURSUANT TO THIS CONTRACT, OR ANY PART THEREOF, OR ANYONE FOR WHOSE ACTS IT MAY BE LIABLE EVEN IF IT IS CAUSED IN PART BY THE NEGLIGENCE OR OMISSION OF ANY INDEMNITEE, SO LONG AS IT IS NOT CAUSED BY THE SOLE NEGLIGENCE OR WILLFUL MISCONDUCT OF ANY INDEMNITEE.

4.16. AUDITING CONTRACT

Upon request by Garland ISD or Comptroller General of the United States, any duly authorized representative of Garland ISD shall, until three (3) years after final payment under this Agreement, have access to and right to examine directly pertinent books, papers, documents, accounts, and records of Seller involving transactions related to this Agreement and to examine Seller's place of business as necessary to determine whether the terms of this Agreement are being carried out. This audit will be conducted at a location where those business documents are being held at the time of the audit request. Seller shall be required to maintain such records for three years after final payment.

4.17. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

Garland ISD shall have all remedies available at law or in equity to include reimbursement of attorneys' fees and all costs incurred in enforcing such rights. No modification of limitation of remedy shall be a part of this contract unless specifically agreed to in writing by Garland ISD's Purchasing Department.

4.18. AUTHORIZED NEGOTIATORS

Designated GISD Purchasing Department personnel are the only individuals allowed to negotiate contract agreements/terms & conditions and/or pricing before an award is made as well as after an award has been made. Firms hereby agree that any negotiations regarding this RFP pertaining to agreements/terms & conditions and/or pricing shall be between proposing firm and the Purchasing Department ONLY throughout the term of the contract.

4.28. FORCE MAJEURE

Neither party shall be liable for delay in delivery or performance or for failure to give notice of delay when such delay is due to factors beyond its control, including, but not limited to, fires, strikes, explosions, governmental regulations, court orders or decrees, or acts of nature such as flood, wind, earthquake, tornado or hurricane. If the Proposer is unable to perform any of its obligations as a result of force majeure, proposer shall immediately give written notice to the District of the date of inception of the force majeure condition and the extent to which it will affect performance.

4.29. TEXAS HOUSE BILL 1295, CERTIFICATE OF INTERESTED PARTIES

If the individual contract/award exceeds \$1,000.000 or goes to the Board of Trustees, the person or entity submitting this proposal must comply with House Bill 1295 which is codified in the Texas Government Code §2252.908 effective January 1, 2016, by submitting a completed and signed Form 1295, Certificate of Interested Parties within 10 days after notification of intent to award. The appropriate form and additional information is available from the Texas Ethics commission at www.ethics.state.tx.us/index.html.

END OF SECTION

SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

1. The intent of this proposal is to provide various departments and seventy two (72) campuses with a list of qualified area stores from which groceries (food and non-food) may be purchased.
2. Vendor shall include along with their proposal any special point-of-sale requirements for District staff. Since all purchases shall be made utilizing a valid school district purchase order or procurement card, please indicate any special instructions or requirements for our staff. These amounts shall not be increased without authorization of the Purchasing Department.
3. A sales slip shall be presented to the customer at the point of sale. Monthly statements for each account shall be sent to:

Accounts Payable Department
Garland Independent School District
P.O. Box 469026
Garland, TX 75046

4. This contract shall be awarded on the basis of price, including discount and sale promotions, proximity to the campus and school district, past relationships with the vendor, point-of-sale capabilities and other factors deemed to represent the best interest of the school district.
5. Purchase Orders or Procurement Card usage will serve as the award instrument(s) against this Request For Proposal. Orders will be placed as items are approved for purchase and funds become available.
6. Any merchandise pick-up by GISD personnel may only be accomplished after the individual making the pick-up has properly identified themselves as GISD employees. Contracted/awarded vendors shall require GISD identification badge(s) (with photo) to be presented prior to the release of any merchandise (from the vendor). The appearance of the individual making the pick-up, the signature of the individual making the pick-up, and the GISD identification badge of the individual making the pick-up of supplies/equipment must match/correspond (to one another).

Compliance Form

An authorized company representative must sign this form to indicate compliance with the Sourcing Instruction Sheet, Instructions to Proposer, Award/Evaluation of Proposals, Certifications, Shipping and Delivery, Terms and Conditions and all other information contained in this solicitation. All **deviations** shall be listed on this page, with complete detailed conditions and information included or attached. The District will consider any deviations in its award decisions, and the District reserves the right to accept or reject any bid based upon any deviations indicated below or in any attachments or inclusions.

In the absence of any deviation entry on this form, the bidder assures the District of their full compliance with the Sourcing Instruction Sheet, Instructions to Proposer, Award/Evaluation of Proposals, Certifications, Shipping and Delivery, Terms and Conditions and all other information contained in this solicitation.

Please list deviations below (attach additional sheets, if needed):

Company Name

Address

City

State

Zip

Printed Name

Title

Signature

Email Address

Telephone #

Fax #

Confidential Information Declaration & Copyright Authorization Form

The bidder must stamp in bold red letters the term "CONFIDENTIAL" or "PROPRIETARY" on every page of any part of a bid that the bidder claims is confidential or proprietary. *Furnishing confidential or proprietary information is discouraged.* The District cannot guarantee that the District will be allowed to keep the information submitted confidential. The District may reject as non-conforming any bid that contains confidentiality claims that the District in its sole discretion considers vague or unreasonable.

All Invitations to Proposal and parts of bids that are not marked as confidential or proprietary will generally be considered public information once the contract is awarded. The District assumes no liability or responsibility for release of any information not properly marked. The District assumes no liability or responsibility for release of any information that is properly marked but is determined by the Texas Attorney General or a court of law to be subject to release. In the event that the District receives a request for disclosure of material marked "confidential" or "proprietary", the District may request a ruling from the Texas Attorney General concerning whether such material must be disclosed.

Proposals asserted to be copyright protected in their entirety are unacceptable and may, in the District's sole discretion, be disqualified as non-responsive. By submitting copyrighted materials as part of your bid, you hereby grant the District authorization to reproduce and provide copies of such information in response to a valid request for information under the Texas Public Information Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 552. By submitting copyrighted materials, you are representing that you have the authority to grant such authorization for the reproduction and release of such information. You further agree to waive any and all claims against the District regarding the release of such copyrighted information including, but not limited, to any claim of copyright infringement when released in response to a valid request for information under the Texas Public Information Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 552.

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Printed Name

Signature

Title

Date

**GARLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
PROPOSAL FORM (PAGE 1)**

COMPANY NAME: _____

The Garland Independent School District anticipates spending approximately \$150,000 annually for General Retail and School Groceries. This figure is provided as an estimate and shall not be construed as guarantee of award.

1. Having carefully examined the terms and conditions of this proposal, the undersigned hereby proposes and agrees to furnish General Retail and School Groceries, as needed, at the following discount(s) for the duration of this contract in strict compliance with those conditions listed herein.

2. **Note: If offering shelf price only with no discount, please so indicate in blank with 0%. A blank space may be considered as non-responsive and may result in the disqualification of your proposal.**

Percent of discount from list food items shelf (in-store) price: _____ %.

Percent of discount from list non-food items shelf (in-store) price: _____ %.

If there are categories of items that are not eligible for discount, please indicate categories in the space provided below:

List/Identify all fees or costs associated with maintaining an account with your corporation:

If you are the representative from the corporate office, can and/or will you authorize purchases and acceptance of purchase orders at all of the DFW/Metroplex store locations (mainly in the Garland, Rowlett & Sachse areas)? Yes _____ No _____

Please list participating store locations/contact information (Ex. Foods 'R Us, 1234 North Rd., Garland; Mr. John Doe, Manager, 972/123-4567)

Will your store(s) accept a Garland ISD purchase order? Yes _____ No _____

Explain how your system works: _____

Will your store(s) accept a Garland ISD Procurement Card (P-Card)? Yes _____

No _____

**GARLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
PROPOSAL FORM (Page 2)**
COMPANY NAME: _____

Does payment have to be made to each store separately or can it be made to the corporate office. Please explain. _____

Do you provide a delivery service? Yes _____ No _____
(If yes, please list your delivery service boundaries and hours of operation below)

Do you require a minimum order amount? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, your minimum order amount is \$ _____

If forms/applications must be completed for your store to accept a purchase order, please include the form(s) with your proposal.

Describe your Point-of-Sale software used that allows each purchase to be tracked by Purchase Order Number:

**GARLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
PROPOSAL FORM (Page 3)**

COMPANY NAME: _____

SAMPLE PRICING:

Item No.	Unit of Measure	Description	Unit Price
1.	Dozen	Glazed Doughnuts	\$ _____
2.	Box	Austin Toasty Crackers	\$ _____
3.	Each	1 Gallon 100% Orange Juice	\$ _____
4.	Box	#2 Pencils, 12 each to a box	\$ _____
5.	Package	Wide Ruled Notebook Paper (200 sheets)	\$ _____
6.	Each	5 Star Notebook Bundle w/2 pocket divider	\$ _____
7.	Each	Mead Spiral Bound Notebook, 3-hole punched	\$ _____
8.	Each	Wall Clock, Battery Operated	\$ _____
9.	Each	20 Qt. Storage Bin w/lid	\$ _____

**IF NOT ABLE TO PROVIDE PRICING FOR THE ANY OF THE ABOVE ITEMS,
INDICATE NA ON THE PRICING LINE.**

ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS FOR THIS PROPOSAL, IF NEEDED!

Firm Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Telephone No. _____ Facsimile No. _____

Authorized Signature _____

Typed/Printed Name _____

Position with Company _____

Representative's Name _____

Supplier Questionnaire

1. Is your company certified by the state of Texas or the North Central Texas Regional Certification Agency as a small, women-owned, or minority business? Yes
No

If yes, provide a copy of the certification with the Request for Proposal/Bid response.

2. References:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Telephone Number</u>
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

3. The Garland ISD has entered into Inter-Local Agreements for cooperative purchasing with the following public entities: City of Garland • City of Rowlett • Ysleta ISD

The Proposer agrees to honor orders for items or services included herein which may be placed by these entities? Yes
No

4. Several governmental entities (a membership list is available at the EPCNT web site, listed below) have indicated an interest in being included in this contract. Should these governmental entities decide to participate in this contract, would you, (the proposer) agree that all terms, conditions, specifications, and pricing would apply? Yes
No

Several governmental entities (a membership list is available at the CTPA web site listed below) have indicated an interest in being included in this contract. Yes
No

Should these governmental entities decide to participate in this contract, would you, (the proposer) agree that all terms, conditions, specification, and pricing would apply? For information regarding the Central Texas Purchasing Alliance, please visit their website at the following address www.txctpa.org .

If you (the Proposer) checked yes, the following will apply. Governmental entities utilizing Internal Governmental contracts with the Garland Independent School District will be eligible, but not obligated, to purchase materials/services under the contract(s) awarded as a result of this solicitation. All purchases by governmental entity other than Garland Independent School District will be billed directly to that governmental entity and paid by that governmental entity. Garland Independent School District will not be responsible for another governmental entity's debts. Each governmental entity will order their own material/service as needed. For information regarding the Educational Purchasing Cooperative of North Texas, please visit their website at the following address www.epcnt.com.

5. The Garland ISD has authorized district employees to use a credit card (Bank of America Master Card) to make purchases for business purposes.

5.1. Will your company accept these credit card purchases? Yes No

5.2. Does your company utilize level 3 data card processing information? Yes No

6. Proposer's principal place of business (or main corporate office) is located in _____(state).
- 6.1. Proposer's principal place of business is located within the boundaries of the Garland Independent School District? Yes No
- 6.2. Does your firm employ at least 500 persons in the state of Texas? Yes No
7. Is your firm willing to honor the terms and conditions of this contract if awarded a contract as an alternate? Yes No