

1. What is meant by needing alternates by July 6th as stated in the CLARIFICATION DEADLINE on page 3?

Here is a less confusing CLARIFICATION DEADLINE statement:

The bidder is expected to completely accept the bid requirements. The bidder must raise any questions regarding the Bid requirements no later than July 6, 2026, 12:00 pm CST. Response to questions and addenda will be published on the Guadalupe Centers Charter Schools Website under the “Our School System” tab on the GCCS Food and Nutrition Services page. Bidders are responsible for monitoring the website for updates throughout the bid period.

Answer on alternate items: Alternate items are to be supplied on the bid spreadsheet that is due on Wednesday, July 29th.

2. Are you able to provide any further information on the average cases per delivery and average yearly sales at the 3 locations?

Answer: I am not able to provide yearly sales for each location in a timely manner, but total sales for the last calendar year were \$814,943. Here is the average number of cases per delivery by location:

Guadalupe Centers High School: 70 cases

Guadalupe Centers Middle School: 65 cases

Guadalupe Centers Elementary School: 250 cases

3. Regarding specific brands, there are a few listed with brands that are Sysco branded. When bidding, do we have to list these as alternative, and does that penalize us as a substitute? There were four items that stood out on the spec list:
F&S – 24, F&S – 184, F&S – 193, and F&S – 206.

Answer: The four listed items should not have been listed specific to any vendor (PFG, Sysco, or US Food). When bidding, please list your items as alternatives and you will not be penalized. This was a mistake on our part.

4. Do all three of your sites require three deliveries per week?

Answer: Yes. We have limited storage capacity at the Middle School and High School – these sites are not equipped to handle product (including milk) with only two deliveries per week.

Our Guadalupe Centers Elementary School location is the Central Kitchen for the elementary and high school. This site requires a minimum of 3 deliveries per week due to the number of meals that are being produced in this kitchen.

5. Are key drops a possibility?

Answer: Yes. Here is the Additional Notes section in the Delivery Schedule & Locations section on page 23.

Additional Notes:

Preference is to have all deliveries completed prior to 10:30 am to avoid conflict with lunch serving period.

Night drops (Key drops) are also an option.

We will be providing a second deadline for questions that you may have on the RFP. Please submit any additional questions to Sonia Lopez, Vice President of Food & Nutritional Services at slopez@guadalupecenters.org. Next question deadline will be on Monday, July 13th at 12:00 CST.

Responses to these questions and the second addenda will be published on the Guadalupe Centers Charter Schools Website under the “Our School System” tab on the GCCS Food and Nutrition Services page. Bidders are responsible for monitoring the website for updates throughout the bid period.