

STEM Preparatory Schools  
Request for Proposals  
SPS-FSMC-2021  
Questions & Answers  
May 24, 2021

1. What style of Breakfast service will be provided? Breakfast in the classroom?  
Our primary mode of breakfast service is in the meal service area, not in classrooms, but we would like the flexibility to offer breakfast in the classroom if preferred from time to time by an individual school. We would like hot breakfast at least three days a week (the other two days can be cereal, pan dulce, bagels, or similar).
2. Do you have your own breakfast in the classroom bags/equipment?  
No, currently we do not have our own classroom bags or equipment for breakfast in the classroom.
3. Does your current caterer deliver bulk and then your staff divide up in the classroom?  
Due to the pandemic our current vendor does not deliver the food already divided. However; our server, who is a direct employee of our vendor, divided the items on site.
4. What refrigeration equipment do you own and have on site?  
None
5. What hot holding equipment do you have on site?  
None
6. Do they have any storage areas available for food service to utilize?  
On-site storage areas are limited to storage of current-day items only. There is no on-site overnight storage available.
7. What is the "non reimbursable meals" referring to on Attachment H?  
That was an error in the RFP. Please use the corrected Attachment H found in [Amendment 1](#), posted on our website at [www.stem-prep.org/vendors](http://www.stem-prep.org/vendors)
8. What are the serving times for breakfast, lunch and supper meals?  
**STEM Prep Elementary:** Breakfast 7:30-8:00am Lunch 10:15am-12:15pm  
Supper 3:00-3:30pm  
**Crown Prep Academy:** Breakfast 9:15-9:45am Lunch: 11:30-12:30pm Supper:  
3-3:30pm  
**Math and Science College Prep:** Breakfast: 7:00-7:30am and again 9-9:45am  
Lunch 12:00-12:30pm Supper 3:15-3:45pm
9. Who is your current vendor?  
Better for You Meals
10. Why are you going out to bid?  
The CDE completed a procurement review of STEM Prep in 2020 and required us to conduct a new bid process no later than spring of 2021.
11. Can we request your current charge for lunch, breakfast, supper and snack currently ?  
Currently our vendor charges \$2.10 for breakfast and \$3.22 for lunch and supper.
12. Are there any improvements you would like to see from a future vendor ?  
There are no major changes we would like to see. However; we would like to continue to have a reliable partnership with whoever is selected.

13. How many servers do you use and how many hours a day would you need them for?  
Currently we have 2 servers at each site and they arrive at 6am and are there until 2pm.
14. List of equipment you own or if any other equipment needed on our side ?  
Our sites have very limited equipment onsite. Our current vendor has provided us with everything we need to distribute the meals including tables, canopy, and coolers for milk.