**Announcement**

Acorn Montessori Charter Schools is accepting bids/proposals from Distribution and Manufacturing Companies who deliver to School Food Authorities in Prescott Valley, AZ. Companies wishing to submit a bid/proposal must provide proof of all valid licenses including local licenses, and permits required for the operation of the business conducted by the food service company. Acorn Montessori Charter Schools participates in the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program and is required to use the nonprofit food service funds, to the maximum extent practicable, to buy domestic commodities or products for program meals. A domestic commodity or product is defined as one that is either produced in the United States or is processed in the U.S. substantially using agricultural commodities that are produced in the U.S. as provided in 7 CFR 210.21 (d).

The Distribution and Manufacturing Company awarded the bid will deliver to two school campus locations one to two times per week, depending on product availability. Delivery must be made during school hours. The term of delivery is the 2023/2024 school year. The bid/proposal will be awarded based on what is most advantageous to the program with price and other factors considered, price as the primary factor. Women, minority, and small business food distribution and manufacturing companies are encouraged to bid on this food distribution and manufacturing service.

Items that Acorn Montessori School is looking to procure include Child Nutrition Label products, commercially grown and packaged produce, dairy items, canned goods, and restaurant non- food supplies. If you would like to receive a specific lists of items and instructions on how to submit a bid, please contact Chuck Watson at cwatson@acornmontessori.com The bid period will close on 08-01-2023 and announcement will be given to the Distribution and Manufacturing Company awarded the bid.

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