SCHOOL CITY OF HOBART

Department of Food Services

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Nancy Smith Director of Food Services Patrick Ryba Administrative Assistant

TO:

Dr. Peggy Buffington

FROM:

Nancy Smith

RE:

Produce bid 2024-2025

DATE:

June 13, 2024

Please find included with this memo, documentation for the 2024-2025 Produce bid compiled for us by the Northern Indiana Educational Service Center. The documentation shows that the Piazza Produce contract terms and conditions will offer School City of Hobart-Food Services an excellent second choice (after Gordon Food Service) for our produce needs.

I am recommending that the superintendent and the school board accept the bid submitted by Piazza Produce for the 2024-2025 school year.



TO:

ESC Member School Corporations and Participating Produce Vendors

FROM:

Sara Williams, Assistant Director of Food Procurement

DATE:

June 5, 2024

RE:

Produce RFP Award

The original proposals for produce products were due on April 21, 2023. The East Central Education Service Center, Wabash Valley Education Center, Northwest Educational Service Center, and NIESC combined our produce volume into one RFP.

NIESC received two proposals for the school year 2023-2024. One from Piazza Produce and one from Creation Gardens. Creation Gardens did not submit the required E-Verify Form and after given an opportunity to provide it, they failed to respond. The Creation Gardens Proposal was rejected. Piazza completed all requirements of the proposal and were the sole vendor we evaluated.

Piazza will continue to impose a minimum of \$150 on all orders. They are holding the fixed fee on 34 items for one year. This is year 2 of the contract. This renewal will run July 1, 2024-June 30, 2025.

• The following corporations will award their produce proposal to Piazza. New districts are indicated by an asterisk*:

NIESC Members	WVEC Members	ECESC Members	NWIESC Members	Region 8
Culver	Attica*	Eastern Hancock	MSD of Boone Township*	Marion
Eastern Pulaski	Benton	Edinburgh	Portage Township*	
Elkhart Comm Schools*	Eastern Howard	Greensburg	River Forest*	
John Glenn	Frontier	Northern Rush	School City of Hobart	
Lakeland	Lewis Cass	Rush County	School Town of Highland	
LaPorte	Logansport			
Michigan City	MSD of Warren			
Mishawaka Catholic	County			
MSD of New Durham	North Newton			
Oregon-Davis	North White			
Plymouth	Pioneer Regional			
Prairie Heights*	Rossville Cons.			
St. Joe High School*	South Newton			
South Central	St. James Lutheran			
Tippecanoe Valley	Western			
Wawasee				
West Central				

Please email me at swilliams@niesc.k12.in.us with any questions or concerns. Thank you for participating in this proposal.