

Office of the Superintendent of Schools
MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Rockville, Maryland

May 21, 2026

APPROVED BY BOARD

MEMORANDUM

To: Members of the Board of Education
From: Thomas W. Taylor, Superintendent of Schools
Subject: Contract Approval for Bid No. 9224.1, Special Diets and Global Flavors

[] Information [X] Action

Superintendent Recommendation:

The superintendent recommends that the Board of Education approve Bid No. 9224.1, Special Diets and Global Flavors, under the Annotated Code of Maryland, Education Article §5-112 and Montgomery County Public Schools Regulation DJA-RA, *Procurement of Equipment, Supplies, and Services*.

This is a request to approve a new annual contract for Special Diets and Global Flavors under Bid No. 9224.1. This bid will expand the menu items served in the Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) meals program for students with special dietary needs and introduce diverse global flavors. It is recommended that the Board of Education approve this contract for one year through May 21, 2027.

The Division of Food and Nutrition Services operates as an enterprise fund, meaning that it is designed to be self-sustaining and relies on the revenue generated from the sale of school meals and other food items to cover its operational costs. Thus, no funds from the MCPS operating budget are used to make these purchases.

All food purchased and served to students meets or exceeds the following federal and state requirements:

- 7 CFR 210.10 meal requirements for lunch
- 7 CFR 220.8 meal requirements for breakfast
- 7 CFR 210.11 competitive food service standards, including Smart Snack standards
- Maryland Nutrition Standards for All Foods Sold in Schools

WHEREAS, Funds have been budgeted in the amount of \$2,327,650 for the purchase of menu items under Bid No. 9224.1, now therefore be it.

Resolved, That having been duly advertised, the following contracts be awarded to the most responsive and responsible bidders, meeting specifications as follows:

Division of District Operations

9224.1 ***Bid Name:*** Special Diets and Global Flavors
 Responsible Department: Department of Food and Nutrition
 Services
 Funding Source: Enterprise Funds

Awardees:

Churchfield Trading Company, Santa Ynez, California
Del Real, LLC, dba Del Real Foods, Jurupa Valley, California
[DBE-Owned]
ES Foods, Inc., Woodbury, New York
FoodPRO Corporation, Frederick, Maryland
Gold Creek Foods, Gainesville, Georgia
Gold Star Foods, Inc., Ontario, California
Goodman Food Products, dba Don Lee Farms,
Inglewood, California
High Liner Foods USA Inc., Portsmouth, New Hampshire
International Food Solutions, Inc., dba Asian Food Solutions
Comida Vida/AAHAR Foods, Oviedo, Florida [DBE-Owned]
Kellogg Sales Company, Battle Creek, Michigan
Latin Goodness Foods, LLC, Rockville, Maryland
[DBE-Owned]
Nippon Shokken U.S.A. Inc., West Sacramento, California
Rich Chicks, LLC, Gardena, California
Rich Holdings Inc., dba Rich Products Corporation,
Buffalo, New York
Schwan's Food Service Inc, Marshall, Minnesota

Total [*Invoice amounts will be based on individual
requirements*]

\$2,327,650

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