

Non-collusive Statement for Food Service Program

By submission of this proposal, the _____
food service management company (FSMC) certifies that:

- This proposal has been independently arrived at without collusion with any other proposer, competitor, potential proposer, or potential competitor.
- This proposal has not been knowingly disclosed and will not be knowingly disclosed prior to the opening of the proposals for the work to be performed or the goods to be sold, to any other proposer, competitor, potential proposer or potential competitor.
- No attempt has been made, or will be made, to induce any other person, partnership, or corporation to submit or not to submit a proposal.
- The person signing this proposal certifies that he or she has fully informed himself or herself regarding the accuracy of the statements contained in this certification, and under penalties of perjury, affirms the truth thereof, such penalties being applicable to the bidder, as well as the person signing in his behalf.
- Below is a certified copy of the resolution authorizing the execution of this certificate by the signator of this proposal on behalf of the corporate proposer.

Resolve that _____
Name of FSMC's authorized representative

be authorized to sign and submit this proposal on behalf of the FSMC named above to

Name of school food authority

Name of FSMC's authorized representative

Title

Signature of FSMC's authorized representative

Date

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For more information, visit the Connecticut State Department of Education's [Food Service Management Company \(FSMC\)](#) webpage or contact the CSDE's [FSMC staff](#) at the Connecticut State Department of Education, Bureau of Child Nutrition Programs, 450 Columbus Boulevard, Suite 504, Hartford, CT 06103-1841.

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1. mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
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