BIBB COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Dr. Dan A. Sims, Superintendent

ACTION MEMORANDUM

To: Board of Public Education for Bibb County ("Board")

From: Donnika Turner, Interim Executive Director of School Nutrition
Dr. Elaine M. Wilson, Executive Director of Procurement

Subject: FY 2027 – School Nutrition Produce Contract

Summary

The School Nutrition Department is seeking Board approval to issue purchase orders on an as-needed basis for purchasing produce items for school nutrition food service for the fiscal year 2026-2027. This will be the second year under RFP 25-035 if approved.

Background

Under District Policy DJEAA, Board approval is required for contracts of more than $150,000. In May 2025, the Procurement Department issued solicitation RFP 25-035 for School Nutrition produce items for compliant student meal service. Historically, one contractor has been approved for the award. In our efforts to offer more locally grown fresh fruit and vegetables, improved menu offerings, and increase student meal participation, two vendors will be awarded RFP 25-035.

School Nutrition was approved to spend approximately $1,400,000 on produce items for FY2026, and projected expenditures for FY2027 are expected to remain at a similar level due to the District's approval of a Georgia Department of Education (GaDOE) produce grant.

The overall reduction in produce-related expenses is primarily attributed to strategic menu modifications and improved inventory management practices, ensuring that ordered products are effectively utilized and waste is minimized. These efforts allow the Department to maximize available funding while continuing to provide high-quality product offerings to students.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Bibb County Board of Education approves the awards to the listed vendors for school nutrition produce items on an as-needed basis in the amount not to exceed $1,400,000.00 for FY2027. These funds will come from the School Nutrition Budget and the GaDOE Grant approved.

Superintendent's Approval

Superintendent's Signature	Approved / Not Approved
Dr. Dan A. Sims	Approved