

Public Notice of Invitation for Bids:

To Be Posted: 3/25/24

White Oak Learning Academy childcare center is accepting invitations for bid for food items and milk to provide meals (breakfast, lunch, afternoon snack and dinners) for children through CACFP. The Nutrition Services Division of Bright from the Start administers the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP). This federal nutrition program, funded by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), ensures eligible children and adults have access to nutritious meals and snacks. White Oak Learning Academy's 4 locations in Cumming, Dawsonville & Dahlonega, GA serves approximately 500 children daily, Monday-Friday. The meal service contract will run from May 1, 2024 – April 30, 2025, unless otherwise agreed upon.

Interested vendors should contact Executive Assistant Jessica Gaines at 706-216-3842 or by email to jessicag@whiteoakacademy.com for a copy of the Invitation for Bid and specifications. Sealed bids must be submitted by 10:00 a.m. on April 7, 2024, to White Oak Learning Academy, 2982 Grizzle Road, Dawsonville, GA, 30534. A bid opening will be held at 10:00 a.m. on April 8, 2024 at the same location. Contracts are reviewed by Bright from the Start.

National Nondiscrimination Statement

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To file a program discrimination complaint, a Complainant should complete a Form AD-3027, USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form which can be obtained online at: <https://www.usda.gov/sites/default/files/documents/USDA-OASCR%20P-Complaint-Form-0508-0002-508-11-28-17Fax2Mail.pdf>, from any USDA office, by calling (866) 632-9992, or by writing a letter addressed to USDA. The letter must contain the complainant's name, address, telephone number, and a written description of the alleged discriminatory action in sufficient detail to inform the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights (ASCR) about the nature and date of an alleged civil rights violation. The completed AD-3027 form or letter must be submitted to USDA by:

1. **mail:**
U.S. Department of Agriculture
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; or
2. **fax:** (833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442; or
3. **email:** program.intake@usda.gov