

Questions and Answers – Bid 042-MM03 Healthy Vending Program

1. On the approved beverage product sales:
 - i. Will bottled water 20oz packaging be approved? Please take into consideration that only 1 brand name 16oz water bottles can be vended thru vending machines. **Yes, please see Addendum #1.**
 - ii. Does “Gatorade” also include other “Isotonic”, as it is known in the food service industry? **Currently only 2 approved sports drinks are listed on the M-DCPS Approved Beverage List.**
 - iii. Will PowerAde 12oz be approved? **Yes, please see Addendum #1.**
2. On page SC7 Item 16 B States that “Three instances of failure during the entire term of the bid by a vendor to stock fresh items shall constitute default of contract by that vendor”.
 - i. Does this mean that at three different events on any of the 1400 machines during the 5 years period, will automatically constitute “Default”. A term used by all government agencies to not accept further bids from any vendor who may have ever committed “default”? **After three instances the default process will begin. The default process includes three certified letters to the vendor as well as the default/termination of the vendor sent to the School Board for approval. Each letter gives a time period to remedy the situation. If after the three letters with remedy period(s) the violations are still occurring then yes the vendor will be defaulted.**
3. Will the answers to these and all questions submitted by vendors become part of the contract? **Some have become part of the contract, please see Addendum #1, others will remain questions and answers.**
4. When is the last day and time to submit questions? **The last day to submit questions is 5 working days prior to the bid opening date.**