**Produce Market Basket Specifications Template**

**NOTE TO SCHOOL**: Use whatever products you wish to get bids on and delete the rows you don’t need.

PRODUCE MARKET BASKET SPECIFICATIONS

*NOTE: Vendors may bid on all or some of the products listed based on volume available or seasonality*

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| Apples - Baking | Large baking apple (bigger the better) hard and flavorful. Will peel and cut for Apple Crisp or other baked recipes. Cosmetic imperfections are fine since we will peel and cook. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Apples - Eating | Small apple (125-138ct) minor cosmetic imperfections acceptable. Sweet, crisp, tart; unique varieties preferred. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Beans | Interested in green, yellow, or multicolored sweet beans for eating raw; untrimmed, minimal soil/debris. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Beets | Interested in a red, golden, and chioggia beets; firm, tender and fairly well formed. Free from soft rot, and damage caused by growth cracks. Beets shall not be less than 2 inches in diameter. |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Blueberries | Firm; fairly uniform color; mature but not overripe nor underdeveloped; free of dirt, decay, damage and injury |  |  |  |  |  |
| Broccoli | Firm, compact heads/ crowns; florets should be in small compact clusters of flowering buds; central head dark or bright green; free from foreign material, decay, damage, injury |  |  |  |  |  |
| Brussel Sprouts | Sprouts should be tight and various sizes are allowed; free of soil and debris |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cabbage, green | Solid, well formed heads: free from dirt and decay; cosmetic or shape imperfections okay; minor soil deposits allowable on outer leaves only. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cabbage, red | Solid, well formed heads: free from dirt and decay; cosmetic or shape imperfections okay; minor soil deposits allowable on outer leaves only. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Carrots, orange | Brightly colored, firm and cylindrical shape; ¾” to 1 ½ “ in diameter and 4 to 8 inches long preferred. Firm, bright color, well formed, clean; free of dirt and decay; minor cosmetic or shape imperfections okay. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Carrots, rainbow | Blend of yellow, purple, and orange carrots for coins. Brightly colored, firm and cylindrical shape; ¾” to 1 ½ “ in diameter and 4 to 8 inches long preferred. Firm, bright color, well formed, clean; free of dirt and decay; minor cosmetic or shape imperfections okay. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cauliflower | Clean, compact heads no less than 4 inches in diameter. Free from soft or wet decay, bruising, insects and mold. |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Corn | Fairly well filled with plump and milky kernels and well covered with fresh husks. The length of each ear should not be less than 6 inches. Free from decay and insects and insect damage. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cucumbers | Firm, glossy, crisp and dark green; free from decay, damage and injury; fairly well formed; not overgrown; 1-2 ½ inch diameter. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kale | Fresh and full leaves, bunch or loose leaf; dry and free of dirt, decay, damage and injury; varieties acceptable |  |  |  |  |  |
| Melon, cantaloupe | 12 or 15 count; U.S. No. 1; near ripe or ripe; not overripe or soft; good internal quality; fairly well formed; free from dirt, decay, damage and injury. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Melon, variety | U.S. No. 1; varieties acceptable; near ripe or ripe; not overripe or soft; good internal quality; fairly well formed; free from dirt, decay, damage and injury. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Melon, watermelon-seedless | Varieties acceptable; mature but not overripe; wipe off or wash with sanitized water; free of dirt, decay, damage and injury |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mixed Greens | All types and varieties; bunches or loose packed; fresh; fairly tender; well trimmed; characteristic color/no discoloration; triple washed; not bitter |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Onions, red | Mature, fairly firm, no smaller than 3 inch in diameter; free of sprouts and a woody stem; free of dirt, decay, damage and injury. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Onions, yellow | Mature, fairly firm, no smaller than 3 inch in diameter; free of sprouts and a woody stem; free of dirt, decay, damage and injury. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Pears | Varieties preferred; should be firm clean and bright with color typical of variety; free of dirt, decay, damage and injury. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Peaches or Plums | US #1; should be plump, unblemished with slight softening along the seam. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Peas, snap | Average size and not overly ripe; free of soil and debris. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Peppers, bell | All varieties; firm flesh, sweet flavor; no shrivel or pitting; 3+ inch diameter preferred; large size (but not woody) and slightly misshapen or cosmetic issues acceptable; free of dirt, decay, damage and injury. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Potato, Sweet | Firm and good internal quality; mature but not overly large; wiped free of dirt and no decay; cosmetic or shape imperfections okay; medium size preferred, but variety of sizes considered |  |  |  |  |  |
| Potatoes, baking | Firm, smooth, fairly well formed and shaped. Length shall not be less than 3 inches and no more than 5 inches. Free of dirt, decay, damage and injury. |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Potatoes, chef | Firm, smooth, fairly well formed and shaped. Diameter shall not be less than 3 inches. Free of dirt, black heart, decay, damage and injury. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Radishes | Firm, bright color, well formed, clean; free of dirt, decay, damage and injury; minor cosmetic or shape imperfections okay; varieties acceptable |  |  |  |  |  |
| Raspberries | Firm; fairly uniform color; mature but not overripe nor underdeveloped; free of dirt, decay, damage and injury |  |  |  |  |  |
| Spinach | Bunches, loose packed or baby; fresh; fairly tender; washed / cleaned with sanitized water; free of dirt, decay, damage and injury. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Squash, Butternut | Firm and good internal quality; mature; hard rinds, solid external color; flesh is orange with fine moist texture; slight stem attached; cosmetic or shape imperfections okay; wiped free of dirt and no decay; medium size preferred but variety of sizes considered. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Squash, Delicata | Fully mature, fairly well formed; hard rinds; flesh is yellow with fine moist; slight stem attached; cosmetic or shape imperfections okay; wiped free of dirt and no decay; medium size preferred but variety of sizes considered. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Squash, yellow | Firm on the outside; tender on the inside; stems or portion of stem attached; fairly well formed; free of dirt, damage and injury |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Squash, Zucchini | Firm on the outside; tender on the inside; fully green; stems or portion of stem attached; fairly well formed; free of dirt, damage and injury |  |  |  |  |  |
| Strawberries | Quarts preferred; firm; fairly uniform red color and shape; mature but not overripe nor underdeveloped; cap attached; field packed, dry; at least 3/4 inch diameter; free of dirt, decay, damage and injury. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Swiss Chard | Fresh and full leaves, bunch or loose leaf; dry and free of dirt, decay, damage and injury; variety of colors preferred |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tomatoes, cherry | Varieties acceptable; firm; fairly uniform and smooth; shiny color characteristic of variety; not overripe or soft; free of dirt, decay damage, injury. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tomatoes, slicing | Varieties acceptable; firm; fairly uniform and smooth; shiny color characteristic of variety; not overripe or soft; free of dirt, decay damage, injury |  |  |  |  |  |
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