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Tender

Star Academies ~ Catering Tender

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Scope

Description

The successful Supplier will be required to provide catering services for Star Academies, at the following sites. The opportunity will be broken down into Lots according to Geographic location. Bidders may bid for individual Lots or all Lots.

Please note that bidders who intend to bid for more than one Lot will be required to submit a separate response for each Lot (links to each Lot are provided within the contract notice)

Lot 1 - North ~ £ 20.7 million

Eden Boys' School, Preston

The Olive School, Preston

Highfield Leadership Academy

The Valley Leadership Academy

Eden Boys' School, Bolton

The Olive School, Bolton

Eden Girls' Leadership Academy, Manchester

Eden Boys' Leadership Academy, Manchester

The Olive School, Manchester

Bay Leadership Academy

Star Salford Academy

Star Radcliffe Academy

Laisterdyke Leadership Academy

Barkerend Primary Leadership Academy

High Crag Primary Leadership Academy

Thornbury Primary Leadership Academy

Eden Boys' Leadership Academy, Bradford

Rainbow Primary Leadership Academy

Lot 2 - Midlands ~ £ 16 million

Eden Boys' School, Birmingham North

The Olive School, Birmingham

Small Heath Leadership Academy

Eden Girls' School, Coventry

Eden Boys' Leadership Academy, Birmingham East

Eden Girls' Leadership Academy, Birmingham

The Olive School, Small Heath

Starbank, Birmingham (all through school with four sub divisions - 1x secondary and 3x primary across three sites)

Lot 3 London ~ £ 3.3 million

Eden Girls' School, Waltham Forest

The Olive School, Hackney

Current Contract value = £5.6million per annum across all three Lots

The Trusts expects that additional schools may join the contract over the life of the contract. It is not expected that this growth will exceed 40% of the current contract value.

The Trust is looking to award a contract for each Lot or multiple Lots based upon a three-year contract with the option to extend for up to a further four years.

Please see PSQ Document for further information.

For more information about this opportunity, please visit the Delta eSourcing portal at:

<https://litmustms.co.uk/tenders/UK-UK-Blackburn:-School-catering-services./GJZR747EA2>

To respond to this opportunity, please click here:

<https://litmustms.co.uk/respond/GJZR747EA2>

Total value (estimated)

- £40,000,000 excluding VAT
- £40,000,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 September 2026 to 31 August 2033
- 7 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 55524000 - School catering services

Not the same for all lots

Contract locations are shown in Lot sections, because they are not the same for all lots.

Lot 1. Lot 1 - North

Description

Lot 1 - North

Eden Boys' School, Preston

The Olive School, Preston

Highfield Leadership Academy

The Valley Leadership Academy

Eden Boys' School, Bolton

The Olive School, Bolton

Eden Girls' Leadership Academy, Manchester

Eden Boys' Leadership Academy, Manchester

The Olive School, Manchester

Bay Leadership Academy

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Lot value (estimated)

- £20,700,000 excluding VAT

- £20,700,000 including VAT

Contract locations

- UKD - North West (England)

Same for all lots

CPV classifications and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Lot 2. Lot 2 - Midlands

Description

Lot 2 - Midlands

Eden Boys' School, Birmingham North

The Olive School, Birmingham

Small Heath Leadership Academy

Eden Girls' School, Coventry

Eden Boys' Leadership Academy, Birmingham East

Eden Girls' Leadership Academy, Birmingham

The Olive School, Small Heath

Starbank, Birmingham (all through school with four sub divisions - 1x secondary and 3x primary across three sites)

The Trusts expects that additional schools may join the contract over the life of the contract. It is not expected that this growth will exceed 40% of the current contract value.

The Trust is looking to award a contract for each Lot or multiple Lots based upon a three-year contract with the option to extend for up to a further four years.

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Lot value (estimated)

- £16,000,000 excluding VAT
- £16,000,000 including VAT

Contract locations

- UKD - North West (England)

Same for all lots

CPV classifications and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Lot 3. Lot 3 - London

Description

Lot 3 London

Eden Girls' School, Waltham Forest

The Olive School, Hackney

The Trusts expects that additional schools may join the contract over the life of the contract. It is not expected that this growth will exceed 40% of the current contract value.

The Trust is looking to award a contract for each Lot or multiple Lots based upon a three-year contract with the option to extend for up to a further four years.

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Lot value (estimated)

- £3,300,000 excluding VAT
- £3,300,000 including VAT

Contract locations

- UKI - London

Same for all lots

CPV classifications and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Participation

Particular suitability

Lot 1. Lot 1 - North

Lot 2. Lot 2 - Midlands

Lot 3. Lot 3 - London

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Enquiry deadline

15 August 2025, 12:00pm

Submission type

Tenders

Tender submission deadline

7 November 2025, 12:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

Lot 1: <https://litmustms.co.uk/respond/GJZR747EA2>

Lot 2: <https://litmustms.co.uk/respond/5RDEY23D5D>

Lot 3: <https://litmustms.co.uk/respond/8836ATU3WW>

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

26 January 2026

Award criteria

Name	Type	Order of importance
Criterion 1	Quality	1
Criterion 2	Price	2

Other information**Applicable trade agreements**

- Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Competitive flexible procedure

Competitive flexible procedure description

Please see PSQ document for further information.

Contracting authority

Star Academies

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PWBT-5538-WMVJ

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Region: UKD41 - Blackburn with Darwen

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government