

RSO Food Policy for events in MLK Jr. University Union

Pilot Policy

Panther Dining recognizes that one of the critical components of being a successful Registered Student Organization (RSO) is having enjoyable meetings. We have the responsibility of serving food in the Union in a safe and appropriate manner. We must take all precautions to ensure the proper safe handling of food served to students, faculty, staff and guest participants. We offer the following policy so both RSO's and Panther Dining can live up to their responsibilities.

This policy is intended to be used for small gatherings (approximately 20 or less). When meetings for RSO's are scheduled in the MLK Jr. University Union and food is requested to be a part of these meetings the following policy applies.

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1. All food available must have been made in a commercial licensed kitchen (not from a home kitchen).
 2. Food may be provided by Panther Catering or depending on the desired food and group size, may be provided by other licensed retail food vendor. If an outside retail vendor is used, it is the responsibility of the RSO to provide all table service (napkins, plates, silverware, cups, tablecloths, etc.). Panther Catering services and/or equipment will not be available for these events. Allowable options are:
 - a. Pizza – may be provided by retail pizza vendors such as: Dominoes, Little Caesars, Papa Johns.
 - b. Sandwiches- may be provided by retail vendors such as: Subway, Jimmy Johns, Jersey Mikes, Taco Bell.
 - c. Cookies, snacks, small platters (meat/cheese/veggies/etc.) and beverages - may be purchased from a retail vendors such as: local licensed bakeries, or a grocery store

All other food types will be provided by Panther Catering.

3. Panther Catering will be utilized as the provider of food for any event not meeting the above guidelines.
4. Clean-up on university premises should be done immediately after the event.
 - a. If food is provided by Panther Catering, Panther Catering will clean up left over food and trash from the event.
 - b. If food is provided by other retail vendors, the RSO is responsible for cleaning up left over food and trash from the event.