

Aramark has been selected as University of North Georgia's (UNG) food services vendor for the Dahlonega and Cumming campuses, effective Jan. 1, 2019.

"Food safety, health and nutrition, ingredient quality, taste, and variety were all concerns outlined in the request for proposals and were scored in the evaluation process above cost and other elements," said DeEnna Walters, UNG's executive director for auxiliary services and related units.

The yearlong procurement and evaluation process was the result of a campus wide review that included students, faculty, staff, and administrators from multiple campuses.

"With the new contract, the UNG campus community can expect dining enhancements that include introduction of special events such as guest chef appearances, new retail samplings and mobile ordering," she said.

Enhancements will include a revitalization of the Comfort Line in the Dining Hall on the Dahlonega Campus that will be introduced as the North Georgia Kitchen. Rotating menus will be added that highlight fresh and local ingredients.

"The outcome will be healthier, tastier food, better service and a decrease in select meal plan costs beginning in fall 2019," she said.

The new food services contract will not affect the Blue Ridge, Gainesville or Oconee campuses.

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