

OAK & ESSENCE
CATERING



BLOOMWOOD
STUDENT ORGANIZATION CATERING



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OUR STORY

Where tradition intersects with innovation, Oak & Essence Catering embodies culinary excellence. Our journey started with a deep respect for the sturdy oak tree, symbolizing strength and resilience. Just as its branches stretch towards the sky, our mission is to elevate the rich culinary traditions to new heights, honoring their legacy and embracing modern creativity.

At Oak & Essence, we celebrate the timeless flavors and soulful dishes that have woven themselves into the tapestry of American culinary history. From the savory spices of Creole cuisine to the comforting warmth of Southern soul food, each dish tells a story of heritage and passion. Our chefs, inspired by generations of culinary wisdom, infuse these traditions with bold, modern twists that capture the essence of our diverse world.

We believe in the power of flavors to connect people across cultures and continents. Our menus are crafted with meticulous attention to detail, offering a journey through global tastes that awaken the senses and ignite the palate. Whether it's a corporate gathering, a wedding celebration, or an intimate soirée, Oak & Essence Catering ensures every event is a masterpiece of flavor and sophistication.

Step into our sleek, modern kitchen where creativity meets precision. Here, innovation dances with tradition as we blend the robust spices of the Caribbean with the delicate flavors of Asia, and the hearty textures of Africa with the refined tastes of Europe. Each dish is a harmonious symphony of flavors, carefully curated to delight and inspire.

Beyond the culinary artistry, Oak & Essence Catering is committed to excellence in every aspect of our service. From the first consultation to the final bite, we strive to exceed expectations, creating unforgettable dining experiences that leave a lasting impression. Our dedication to quality, hospitality, and innovation sets us apart, ensuring that your event is not just memorable, but truly exceptional.

Join us at Oak & Essence Catering, where tradition meets innovation, and every bite tells a story of flavor, culture, and the timeless spirit of the oak.

BRAND PROMISES

1. Flavorful Essence: We promise to infuse every dish with the flavorful essence of Black American culinary traditions, complemented by bold, global inspirations.
2. Innovative Branches: We promise to innovate like the mighty oak, blending traditional flavors with modern twists that surprise and delight, ensuring each bite is a culinary revelation.
3. Sleek Elegance: We promise a catering experience that exudes sleek elegance, from our sophisticated presentation to our impeccable service, setting the stage for an unforgettable event.
4. Deep Roots: We promise to uphold our roots in quality, sourcing the finest ingredients and crafting each dish with passion and precision and in service, providing impeccable attention to detail to your event from idea to execution.

At Oak & Essence Catering, these promises embody our commitment to culinary excellence, innovation, and creating unforgettable oak-periences that stand the test of time.



OUR TIERS OF SERVICE

At Oak & Essence, we epitomize a fusion of tradition and innovation, drawing inspiration from the enduring strength of the oak tree. Like its resilient branches, our mission is to elevate every culinary affair to unparalleled levels of sophistication and excellence.

Throughout this guide, we delve into the nuances of menu curation, explore cutting-edge culinary trends that seamlessly blend global flavors with timeless elegance, and provide strategic insights for seamless event management. Whether you're a seasoned professional seeking to refine your skills or an aspiring host aiming for perfection, our objective is to empower you with the refined knowledge and creativity to surpass expectations.

Join us on a journey where tradition meets modernity, and where each event crafted by Oak & Essence Catering reflects our unwavering commitment to exceptional taste, style, and impeccable service.

Oak & Essence Catering offers a comprehensive range of catering tiers, each inspired by the intricate growth rings of an oak tree, symbolizing strength, growth, and timeless elegance. Beginning with **BRIGHTWOOD**, our zero-touch catering tier, we provide a seamless and safe dining experience, ensuring convenience without compromise. **BLOOMWOOD** caters specifically to student organizations, offering cost-conscious options that maintain sophistication and flavor, nurturing the growth of vibrant student communities. **LUXEWOOD** stands as our versatile everyday tier, renowned for its punctuality and ability to adapt, whether through boxed catering or lavish buffets, ensuring every event is executed flawlessly. Finally, **HEARTWOOD** represents the epitome of luxury and prestige in catering, reminiscent of presidential dining experiences, offering custom menus, luxurious settings, and unmatched service to meet the highest expectations of our distinguished clientele. Oak & Essence Catering promises not just exceptional dining but an expression of enduring quality and refinement, tailored to elevate every occasion with elegance and distinction.





BLOOMWOOD


Student Organization Catering

Bloomwood is Oak & Essence's dedicated catering tier for student organizations, inspired by the strong, interconnected growth rings of an oak tree. Just as the bloomwood rings symbolize growth and development, this tier is designed to support student groves—our vibrant student organizations—by providing exceptional catering that is both cost-conscious and sophisticated.

Features

- Delicious and Diverse Menu: Enjoy a variety of menu options that cater to diverse tastes and dietary preferences, ensuring every event is memorable.
- Affordable Excellence: Bloomwood offers high-quality, flavorful dishes without sacrificing affordability, making it perfect for student budgets.
- Flexible Service Options: Choose from buffet, family-style, or individually packaged meals to suit the needs of your organization and event.
- Stylish Presentation: Despite its cost-conscious nature, Bloomwood ensures a polished and sophisticated presentation, enhancing the dining experience.
- Eco-Friendly Practices: We incorporate sustainable practices with eco-friendly tableware and mindful sourcing to align with the values of today's students.
- Easy Coordination: Our team provides seamless planning and support, making it simple for student leaders to organize successful events.

Bloomwood is more than just a catering service; it's a partner in your organization's journey, offering delicious meals that bring people together and create lasting memories. With Oak & Essence's commitment to quality and innovation, Bloomwood ensures your events are both tasteful and impactful, reflecting the spirit of growth and community.





YOUR FAVORITE
MEALS.





Breakfast | SOLD BY THE DOZEN

Donuts _____	\$9.99
Krispie Treats _____	\$7.99
Assorted Muffins _____	\$9.99
Mini Bagels with Cream Cheese _____	\$10.25

Boxed Lunches | PER BOX

Meals include chips, soda and fruit _____ \$9.99

Turkey, Roast Beef, Ham, Tuna, or Veggie Sandwiches with a count of:

- 25, choose two types of sandwiches
- 26–75, choose three types of sandwiches
- 76 or more, choose four types of sandwiches

Snacks

Potato Chips (per pound) _____	\$6.99
Tortilla Chips with Salsa (per pound) _____	\$8.25

Sweets | SOLD BY THE DOZEN

Chocolate Chip, Sugar, Double Chocolate —	\$7.99
Brownies _____	\$8.99

Buffets | A MINIMUM OF 25 GUESTS REQUIRED

Choice of Iced Tea or Lemonade.

Hot Dog & Hamburger Picnic _____ \$8.99

Includes potato chips and your choice of baked beans or potato salad.

Pasta Buffet _____ \$10.99

Include Two Pastas, One Meat and Marinara sauce, Salad and Rolls.

Pizza | SERVES 4-6 GUESTS.

16" Pizza _____ \$9.99

Select from Cheese, Pepperoni, Sausage and Vegetable.

Party Platters | PLATTERS SERVES 10-15 GUESTS

Cheese & Cracker Platter _____	\$20.00
Fresh Vegetable Platter _____	\$20.00
Cheese & Sausage Platter _____	\$20.00
Fresh Fruit Platter _____	\$20.00
Hero Sandwich Platter _____	\$20.00

Beverages

Twelve Pack of Soda _____	\$8.99
Can of Soda _____	\$1.15
<i>Pepsi, Diet Pepsi, Sierra Mist, Mountain Dew, Diet Sierra Mist, or Diet Mountain Dew</i>	
Coffee with Cream and Sugar (serves 12) —	\$1.75
<i>Available in regular and decaffeinated</i>	
Hot Chocolate (serves 12) _____	\$12.50
Lemonade or Iced Tea (serves 18) _____	\$10.00

Ice Cream

3 gallons, serves 30-50 people _____	\$35.99
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Toppings | 1 QUART SERVES 30 PEOPLE

Butterscotch _____	\$3.49
Chocolate _____	\$4.49
Strawberry _____	\$4.99
Chocolate Chips _____	\$1.79
Cherries _____	\$3.49
Whipped Topping _____	\$4.49

LOOKING FOR MORE?

Oak & Essence offers four distinct tiers of catering.

BRIGHTWOOD

Zero-Contact Catering

BLOOMWOOD

Student Organization Catering

LUXEWOOD

Everyday Catering

HEARTWOOD

Luxury Catering





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