



Here is a suggestion for the to-go and containers, platters and utensils you might need! This is what we used to deliver from 4 to 40 for our lunch style caterings. You might notice that we used better quality product than our competition used. The quality and price point you decide on will depend on the style of your restaurant and the price you charge.

Keep in mind that you never get a second chance to make a first impression. Your food will most likely be sitting for a few minutes before it is eaten, it will be delivered in a car for a few minutes and still needs to look great when it arrives.

I would always sacrifice a few extra dollars of profit to ensure that the food looks as good at a catered event as it would in our restaurant. After all, the local nurses, doctors and office managers are your customers and if you impress them on somebody at your catering events, they are sure to dine in your restaurant!

Most of the items can be purchased from your main food distributor like Sysco. I purchased everything on the list from my local sysco, though most items were not stocked, they were able to get them through a company called EMI Yoshi – www.emiyoshi.com. Visit their website to get model numbers on products you like and your sysco rep. should not have a problem getting it for you!

As always, if you have any questions or need help, please contact me at ryan@therestaurantboss.com!



Catering Suggested Supplies List

4"	½ Foil Pans (I prefer ½ foil because they are stronger, full pans fold in the middle. Use 2 ½ pans instead of 1 full if you have to)
½	Foil pan lids
10" - 12"	Plastic Trays (Round, Square or Rectangle) w/ Lid
16 - 18"	Plastic Trays (Round, Square or Rectangle) w/ Lid
20"-24"	Plastic Trays (Round, Square or Rectangle) w/ Lid
	Quality Plastic or Paper Plates
32 oz.	Plastic Bowls w/ Lid
64 oz.	Plastic Bowls w/ Lid
128 oz.	Plastic Bowls w/ Lid
	Clear Plastic Cups w/lid (sometimes we would make yogurt parfaits for breakfast)
	Soufflé Cups 2 oz. & 4 oz. w/ lid
8 oz.	Deli Cups
16 oz.	Deli Cups
32 oz.	Deli Cups
7"	Tong
12"	Tong
2 oz.	Ladle
	Serving Spoon
	Serving Fork
	Plastic Cutlery
	Paper Napkins
	Bottled Water
	Bottled Soda
	Bottled Tea
	Cambro Style Hot Box