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Ask any seasoned, successful business owner the key to leading the market and you are sure to hear, "It takes a tribe of strategic partners to position your concept for success."

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Sincerely,

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MASTER OPENING CHECKLIST

Concept & Brand

- □ Location
- □ Branding, Architecture, Design
- □ Construction

Financing

- □ Accounting
- □ Banking

Insurance & Permitting

Utilities

- □ Electric
- □ Gas
- □ Water
- □ Sewer

Suppliers

- □ Equipment
- □ Flooring
- □ Beverage & Liquor Distributor
- □ Food Distributor
- □ Menu & Operations

Technology
□ Financial Technology (FinTec) & Payroll
☐ Telephone & Internet
□ Security Services□ Reservation Services
□ Software
Maintenance & Outside Services
 Hood Cleaning, Oil Recycling & Grease Trap Waste Removal Janitorial Pest Services
□ Parking & Valet □ Linen Service
□ Landscaping
Staffing
Training
Operations
Promotion □ Print Services & Signage □ Marketing □ Public Relations
Menu
Finals

Financing

TASK	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	URGENCY 1 (NOW) 3 (SOON)	PERSON OR PARTY RESPONSIBLE	COMPLETED Y/N
Accounting				
Register with All Gov't Agencies				
Obtain Fed Tax ID Number				
Bank Reconiliations				
Payroll System				
Banking				
Selection of Bank				
Construction Account				
Operational Account				
Payroll Account				
Lines of Credit				
Deposit Bags				

Insurance & Permitting

TASK	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	URGENCY 1 (NOVV) 3 (SOON)	PERSON OR PARTY RESPONSIBLE	COMPLETED Y/N
Insurance & Permitting - The	McCain Agency, p	og. 28		
Pre-Construction, During Construction, Ops				
Liquor Bond				
Liabiliity				
Workman's Comp				

Utilities

TASK	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	URGENCY 1 (NOW) 3 (SOON)	PERSON OR PARTY RESPONSIBLE	COMPLETED Y/N
Sewer				
Procedures				
Drawings/Plans				
Inspection				
Permit Requirements				
Installation				
Gas – Infinite Energy, pg. 29				
Water				
Electric				

Suppliers & Supplies

TASK	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	URGENCY 1 (NOVV) 3 (SOON)	PERSON OR PARTY RESPONSIBLE	COMPLETED Y/N
Vendor list for				
Food				
Liquor				
Supplies				
Contact salespersons				
Credit applications on file				
List of references				
Inventory				
Initial/Pre-opening				
Replacement				
Par Stock & Ordering forms				

Suppliers

TASK	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	URGENCY 1 (NOW) 3 (SOON)	PERSON OR PARTY RESPONSIBLE	COMPLETED Y/N
Equipment, Software & Sup	plies – Atlanta Fix	ktures, pg. 29		
Collect all warranties for new equipment & send in cards				
Place all equipment information & Service Agents in a notebook for reference				
Food inventory				
Bar inventory				
Supplies inventory				
Hood/HVAC Equipment				
Kitchen Design & Equipment	List			
Punch List				
Contractor				
Subcontractors				
Out-side Contractors				
Hand Wash Stations				
Soap				
Sanitizer				
Towel dispensers				
Hand wash signs				

TASK	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	URGENCY 1 (NOW) 3 (SOON)	PERSON OR PARTY RESPONSIBLE	COMPLETED Y/N
Equipment checkout (burn-in	n/calibration)			
Ice Machines				
Cooking Equipment				
Refrigeration equipment				
Kitchen Clock				
Anti-fatigue Mats				
Set up dish machine services				
Clean, organize & label all s	helving			
Dry storage				
Walk-in				
Freezers				
Supply area				
Service area				
Chemical storage				
Bar storage				
Kitchen Utensils				
Produce list				
Obtain bids				
Place order				
Recieve order				
Small Wares Order				
Product list				
Obtain bids				
Place order				
Recieve order				

TASK	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	URGENCY 1 (NOW) 3 (SOON)	PERSON OR PARTY RESPONSIBLE	COMPLETED Y/N
Tabletop selection				
Plateware				
Flatware				
Glassware				
Select wall covering				
Obtain bids				
Order				
Arrange delivery				
Accept per order				
Select tables				
Obtain bids				
Order				
Arrange delivery				
Select chairs				
Obtain bids				
Order				
Arrange delivery				
Apply scotchguard protection				
High chairs & boosters				
Arrange delivery				
Select Floor Covering				
Obtain bids				
Order				
Arrange installation				

TASK	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	URGENCY 1 (NOVV) 3 (SOON)	PERSON OR PARTY RESPONSIBLE	COMPLETED Y/N
Beverage Station				
Cups				
Lids				
Holders				
Sodas				
Dairy				
Canned juices				
Bev naps				
Straws				
Soda System				
Liquor Selection				
Well liquor selection				
Call liquor selection				
Premium liquor selection				
Beer Selection				
Draft system				
Wine Selection				
Supplier wine training program				
Wine list design				
Wine list publication				
Wine openers				
Wine buckets and stands				

TASK Beverage & Liquor distributor	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	URGENCY 1 (NOW) 3 (SOON)	PERSON OR PARTY RESPONSIBLE	COMPLETED Y/N
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Food distributor				
TASK	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	URGENCY 1 (NOW) 3 (SOON)	PERSON OR PARTY RESPONSIBLE	COMPLETED Y/N
Paper Products				
Guest checks				
POS supplies				
Take out				
Bathroom				
Office Furniture				
Desk				
Chair				
Filing cabinets				
TASK	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	URGENCY 1 (NOW) 3 (SOON)	PERSON OR PARTY RESPONSIBLE	COMPLETED Y/N
Security Services				
Robbery prevention				
Control of access during ops				
Control of access during const				
Double door safe				
Night drop				
Reservation Services				

TASK	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	URGENCY 1 (NOW) 3 (SOON)	PERSON OR PARTY RESPONSIBLE	COMPLETED Y/N
Telephones - Quantum Tech Solut	ions, pg.			
Office line				
Fax line				
Catering line				
Kitchen line				
Reservations line				
Pay phone				
Telephone Equipment – Quant	um Tech Solutions,	pg. 28		
Obtain bids				
Order				
Arrange delivery				
Accept per order				
Telephone Service - Quantum 1	ech Solutions, pg.	28		
Procedures				
Drawing/Plans				
Inspection				
Permit Requirement				
Installation				
Cables & Wiring – Encompass I	nteractive, pg. 27			
Burglar/fire alarm				
Music/public address				
Telephone lines (internal)				
POS & Computer lines				

TASK	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	URGENCY 1 (NOVV) 3 (SOON)	PERSON OR PARTY RESPONSIBLE	COMPLETED Y/N
Payroll				
Pre opening				
Management				
Hourly				
POS System – Payscape, pg. 24				
Wiring				
Installation				
Training				

TASK	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	URGENCY 1 (NOW) 3 (SOON)	PERSON OR PARTY RESPONSIBLE	COMPLETED Y/N
Computer System				
Monitor				
Printer				
Internet service				
Software - Deputy, pg. 29				
Food ordering (from primary supplier)				
Office suite software				
Word processor				
Spreadsheet				
Presentation				
Publisher software				
Scheduling-use for employee time management, management schedules and catering events				

TASK	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	URGENCY 1 (NOW) 3 (SOON)	PERSON OR PARTY RESPONSIBLE	COMPLETED Y/N
Keys				
Make list of keys needed in store				
Collect all keys upon installation				
Re-key just before opening				

Maintenance & Outside Services

TASK	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	URGENCY 1 (NOW) 3 (SOON)	PERSON OR PARTY RESPONSIBLE	COMPLETED Y/N
Outside Services - Premier Gree	ase, pg. 25			
Maintenance				
Janitorial				
Valet Parking				
Pest Control				
Plant Service				
Linen Service				
Hood/Flue Cleaning				
Carpet Cleaning				
Window Washing				
Primary Vendor Selection / Approved Vendor List				
Local contact with name number				
Establish credit, delivery schedule				

TASK	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	URGENCY 1 (NOW) 3 (SOON)	PERSON OR PARTY RESPONSIBLE	COMPLETED Y/N
Waste Removal – Raintree Was	te, pg. 29			
Solid waste				
Dumpster				
Compactor				
Janitorial				
Floor cleaner				
Spot remover				
Gum solvent				
Liquid hand soap				
Hand towel dispensers				
Paper towels				
Windex				
Squeegees				
Janitorial Equipment				
Wet floor signs				
Mops				
Buckets				
Vacuum				
Trash cans				
Dust pans				

TASK	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	URGENCY 1 (NOVV) 3 (SOON)	PERSON OR PARTY RESPONSIBLE	COMPLETED Y/N
Sewer Service				
Procedures				
Drawings/Plans				
Inspection				
Permit Requirements				
Installation				
Linen Service				
Hood/Flue Cleaning – Premier Grease, pg.				
Carpet Cleaning				
Window Washing				
Parking Lot and Valet – Redef	ined Parking, pg. 2	29		
Number of Spaces				
Resurfacing				
Entrance/Exits				
Lighting for parking lot				
Control for pre-construction				
Control during construction				
Valet stand/key control				
Parking lot signage				
Handicap				
Reserved				
Valet				
Valet Services				

TASK	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	URGENCY 1 (NOW) 3 (SOON)	PERSON OR PARTY RESPONSIBLE	COMPLETED Y/N
Linen Service - Chef Duds, pg. 2	29			
Table top laundry (rental)				
Uniform laundry (rental)				
Uniform order				

TASK	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	URGENCY 1 (NOVV) 3 (SOON)	PERSON OR PARTY RESPONSIBLE	COMPLETED Y/N
Landscaping				
Pre-construction				
During construction				
Maintenance				
Construction timetable				
Estimated time for each phase				
Estimated completion date				
Critical path				
Construction budget				
Sign requirements/restrictions				

Staffing

TASK	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	URGENCY 1 (NOW) 3 (SOON)	PERSON OR PARTY RESPONSIBLE	COMPLETED Y/N
Staffing				
Projected list of employees needed for each area of operation				
Sources for recruiting				
Develop pay scales for all crew work groups				
Front desk				
Servers				
Wait assistants				
Bartenders				
Cooks				
Prep cooks				
Dishwashers				
Supervisors				
Managers				
Place employment ads in newspapers & schedule recruiting missions				
Review staffing manual for interviewing/hiring procedures. Establish target question list				

TASK	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	URGENCY 1 (NOW) 3 (SOON)	PERSON OR PARTY RESPONSIBLE	COMPLETED Y/N
Employee Applications & En	nployee New H	lire Kits		
English/Spanish				
I-9 Tax forms				
Health cards				
Server/bartender/ entertainment permits				
Orientation				
Pre-opening/training schedule				
Operational schedule				
ServSafe training				
Uniform				

TASK	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	URGENCY 1 (NOVV) 3 (SOON)	PERSON OR PARTY RESPONSIBLE	COMPLETED Y/N
Establish Work Schedules				
Reports				
Food/beverage/covers/ average check/sales mix				
Comparisons to budget				
Organizational charts by dept.				
Dining room				
Bar				
Kitchen				
Administration				
Employee applications				

Training

TASK	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	URGENCY 1 (NOW) 3 (SOON)	PERSON OR PARTY RESPONSIBLE	COMPLETED Y/N
Training				
Identify dates of training allowing for "dry run" or "soft opening" time				
Validate service sequences				
Develop bar opening checklist				
Develop kitchen-opening checklist & for all departpents: open, close & managers				
Document & train management/staff				
Organize orientation materials				
Develop sidework schedules for all FOH				
Set up POS training for management & crew				
Wine & beer seminars for sales knowledge & over-consumption policy				
FOH menu descriptions for all items				
Plating & garnish guide for all items				
Set up training recipe manuals				
Select training team				
Set date for training team arrival				
Prepare master training calendar				
Set up training manuals & opening materials				
Set up general meeting & training session				

TASK	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	URGENCY 1 (NOW) 3 (SOON)	PERSON OR PARTY RESPONSIBLE	COMPLETED Y/N
Organize any necessary ma	nagement trai	ning such as:		
MSDS location				
Interviewing & hiring (legal vs. illego questions, ADA, etc.)	ıl			
Restaurant standards & systems				

TASK	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	URGENCY 1 (NOW) 3 (SOON)	PERSON OR PARTY RESPONSIBLE	COMPLETED Y/N
Human Resources				
Selection of manager				
Selection of pre-opening staff				
Organizational chart				
Evaluation of available managers				
Define manager job duties				
Interview of managers				
Interview of pre-opening staff				
Create management reports				
Evaluation of available chefs				
Evaluation of kitchen manager				
Employee performance evaluation				
Training program for employees				
Uniforms				
Dress code				

TASK	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	URGENCY 1 (NOW) 3 (SOON)	PERSON OR PARTY RESPONSIBLE	COMPLETED Y/N
Employee Bulletin Board				
Required postings – OSHA, safety, minimum wage, etc.				
Wage & hour				
Workman's comp				
Emergency hospital & doctor				

Operations

TASK	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	URGENCY 1 (NOVV) 3 (SOON)	PERSON OR PARTY RESPONSIBLE	COMPLETED Y/N
Kitchen Operations/Service	Operations			
Set-up sheets with pars				
Opening checklists				
Closing checklists				
Prep lists with pars				
Standardizes recipe book				
Freezer pull sheets				
Inventory forms				
Hours of Operation				
Estimated hours of operation				
Bar				
Restaurant				
Entertainment				
Opening				
On going				

TASK	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	URGENCY 1 (NOVV) 3 (SOON)	PERSON OR PARTY RESPONSIBLE	COMPLETED Y/N
Operational Manuals				
Safety manual				
Financial manual				
Catering manual				
Kitchen manual				
Exhibition cooking manual				
Guest Music				
ASCAP/BMI arrangements				
Satellite music system				
Code Book				
Handicap regulations				
Ansul fire system requirements				
Exits				
Emergency lighting				
Security during operation				
Panic hardware requirements				
Fire inspector approval				
Sprinkler system requirements				
Smoke detectors/smoke eaters				

TASK	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	URGENCY 1 (NOW) 3 (SOON)	PERSON OR PARTY RESPONSIBLE	COMPLETED Y/N
Signage & Banners - Creative	Approach, pg. 23			
Coming soon				
Opening date				
Now hiring				
Menu board				
No deliveries between				
Hours of business				
Parking lot				
Smoking				
Fire marshall				
ADA (disabilities)				

TASK	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	URGENCY 1 (NOW) 3 (SOON)	PERSON OR PARTY RESPONSIBLE	COMPLETED Y/N
Graphic Design - Creative	Approach, pg. 23			
Logo				
Type/Font Style				
Colors				
Business Cards				
Menus				
Choose menu covers if used				
Printed gift certificates				
Signs				
Stationary				
Letterhead				2

TASK	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	URGENCY 1 (NOW) 3 (SOON)	PERSON OR PARTY RESPONSIBLE	COMPLETED Y/N
Digital & Promotional Marke	eting - The Wells	Marketing Agency,	. pg. 29	
Website				
Social media accounts				
Facebook				
Twitter				
Instagram				
Optimize website for local SEO				
Monitor review sites				
Contest & promotions schedule				
Business cards				
Build restaurant customer database				
Email marketing tool				
Public Relations & Advertisir	ng – Kitsy Rose PR	, pg. 26		
Evaluate local associations				
List of advertising resources				
Flyers				

Menu

TASK	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	URGENCY 1 (NOW) 3 (SOON)	PERSON OR PARTY RESPONSIBLE	COMPLETED Y/N
Preliminary Menu Creation				
Children's menus				
Birthday favors				
Lunch				
Dinner				
Catering				
Brunch				
Banquet				
Pricing & Cost				
Menu pricing range				
Menu cost & portion guide				
Standard recipe binder				
Table Arrangement				
Section maps for host station Opening & closing sidework assignments				

Finals

TASK	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	URGENCY 1 (NOW) 3 (SOON)	PERSON OR PARTY RESPONSIBLE	COMPLETED Y/N	
Place initial food order					
Place initial chemical supplie	Place initial chemical supplies order				
Place initial paper goods order					

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ONE PLACE, ENDLESS POSSIBILITIES

The team at Creative Approach strives to offer fast, affordable and professional quality graphic design, printing, wide format solutions and social media marketing and management.

TIPS FROM THE TEAM

PRINTING

"Make sure your print-ready documents include high resolution images, including logos."

- Rick Laufersweiler, Director of Operations

SOCIAL MEDIA

"Be personal, post visual content—videos and pictures—that is specific to the company, keep text short and stay current."

- Léa Boulch, Social Media Manager

GRAPHIC DESIGN

"Try your best to know what you want, in addition to knowing what you don't want."

- Cortnei Bruce, Graphic Designer

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TWO REASONS TO EVALUATE YOUR FINTECH



- 1) You're paying too much on credit card processing
- 2) You only have one option to accept payments: more options, more money!

PARTNER QUICK FIVE: OUR TOP FINTECH SOLUTIONS

ONLINE INVOICING

Customized invoices with features like instant pay, recurring auto-payments and time tracking.

ECOMMERCE

Accept payments with an online shopping cart on your website, blog or Facebook page.

ONLINE REGISTRATION

Streamline your program operations with a database that removes the paperwork and accept payments!

MOBILE PAYMENTS

Convenient, flexible mobile swiper for your phone or tablet.

POS SYSTEMS

From retailers to restaurants, a cost-friendly POS system to accept payments and track sales.

Partner with Premier Grease today and let us handle all your grease needs so that you can focus on creating great food and serving your customers better!

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ONE STOP SHOP

Premier Grease can bundle your Hood Cleaning, Used Cooking Oil Recycling, Trap Pumping, and a Filter Exchange Service so your filters stay clean while avoiding potentially costly fines and reducing your environmental impact.

We understand how busy it can be running a restaurant and we can be your one point of contact.

Four our bundle customers, we offer discounts and free oil container cleanings at every hood cleaning service. We have been around for 14 years, are locally owned, and service over 2000 businesses around the Metro Atlanta area. We pride ourselves on guaranteeing all of our work plus we have insurance coverage of up to \$5M and require no contracts to start working. We are only as good as our last service.

TOP 4 MUST-KNOWS

GREASE FIRES

A poorly cleaned exhaust hood can drastically increase the likelihood of a hood fire. Keeping up with your regular hood cleaning with a certified/trained hood cleaner will help reduce your risk of a fire and keep you in good standing with your insurance company.

OVERFLOW/ODOR/FINES

Not pumping grease traps regularly can lead to clogged or backed up grease lines, making for an unworkable kitchen situation. Not only are full grease traps stinky and smelly, but they can also be very dangerous, as a full grease trap could catch fire. And if grease from your kitchen enters the city water system, you could be facing steep fines and disciplinary action.

BEING GREEN

By letting Premier Grease both clean your filters off-site while outsourcing the nightly filter cleaning task, you will be removing the largest contribution of grease going through your drainage system. You do not have to waste money on expensive DE-GREASER or repairs to your pipes from grease clogging them up!

TIME IS MONEY

Dirty hood systems and full grease traps will drag your business down whether due to losing business from kitchen fires and odors, repairing damage from broken fans, or paying fines from failed inspections.



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TOP TWO TO-DO

- 1. Announcement Release
- 2. Media Sneak Peek



PARTNER QUICK FIVE

WHO, WHAT, WHEN, WHERE, WHY?

Create a solid Fact Sheet that briefly tells the story of your business and answers the five "W's."

INVEST IN PHOTOGRAPHY

Have professional high resolution photos taken of your business, product(s) and yourself.

SPECIFIC OUTREACH

Know who your audience is and develop a media list with your target reader(s) in mind.

PITCH LEAD TIME

Plan ahead (no less than six weeks) as media work on a variety of deadlines two to three weeks minimum in advance.

YOUR NETWORK IS GOLD

Networking is key – get your brand out there and attend and support community events that complement your business.



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