



# Behind The Pit

BBQ & Catering Resources by Fat Bob's Smokehouse

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## Best Catering for Small Business Meetings in Buffalo, NY

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Small business meetings have different catering needs than large corporate events. Budgets are tighter. Timelines are shorter. And the food needs to be easy, reliable, and something people actually want to eat.

At Fat Bob's Smokehouse, we cater hundreds of small business meetings across Buffalo and Western New York each year. Here's what we've learned about what works best, and what often doesn't.



Most small businesses are looking for:

- On-time delivery with simple ordering
- Food that works for mixed preferences
- Minimal setup and cleanup
- Reasonable pricing
- The ability to order on short notice

This is where many traditional catering options are simply overbuilt for the job.

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Full-service catering companies do great work, but they are often designed for:

- Large headcounts, formal events
- Long lead times, higher budgets

For a 5–30 person meeting, that level of service can add cost and complexity without adding much value. Servers, rentals, and elaborate menus often aren't needed when the goal is to feed a team well and keep the meeting moving.



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## Why Fat Bob's is a Smart Choice for Small Business Catering in Buffalo

Fat Bob's drop-off catering was built with real-life business needs in mind. We understand tight schedules, last-minute changes, and the importance of keeping things simple.

What small businesses appreciate most:

- Straightforward ordering, flexible menus that scale easily
- Food people enjoy without being overly formal, Easy setup and cleanup
- Reliable delivery across Western New York – including same-day availability

BBQ works especially well for meetings because it offers clear portioning, familiar flavors, and options that satisfy a wide range of preferences.

**And unlike generic boxed lunches, BBQ feels like a reward, not an obligation.**



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## When Fat Bob's is the Best Fit For Business Meetings

Fat Bob's is an excellent choice when your meeting is casual, internal, and focused on collaboration rather than formality. Our catering works especially well for:

- Team lunches
- Training sessions
- Planning meetings
- Department check-ins
- Small group discussions



## FAQs: Small Business Meeting Catering in Buffalo, NY

### What is the best catering option for small business meetings?

Drop-off catering from a reliable restaurant is often the best choice. It's affordable, flexible, and doesn't require unnecessary setup or staffing.

### How many people count as a small business meeting + what notice is needed?

Most small business meetings range from 5 to 30 people and typically don't need full-service catering. Many restaurant caterers accommodate orders same-day or within 24 hours.

### Is restaurant catering better than traditional catering for meetings?

For small meetings, restaurant catering with same-day ordering is usually more efficient and cost-effective than traditional catering designed for large, formal events.

### What foods work best for business meetings?

Foods that are easy to serve, familiar, and filling work best. BBQ, sandwiches, salads, and buffet-style meals help keep meetings productive. BBQ works great for comfort + engagement over formality or boxed lunches.

### Why do Buffalo businesses choose Fat Bob's?

Because ordering is simple, delivery is reliable, and the food feels like a reward instead of just another meeting lunch.