



## The Chefs' Warehouse to Announce Third Quarter 2011 Results on October 27, 2011

RIDGEFIELD, Conn., Oct. 13, 2011 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- The Chefs' Warehouse, Inc. (Nasdaq:CHEF) today announced that the Company intends to release its financial results for the quarter ended September 23, 2011, following the close of the stock market on Thursday, October 27, 2011, and will host a conference call at 5:00 pm ET on October 27, 2011 to review those results.

The conference call will be webcast live from the Company's investor relations website at <http://investors.chefswarehouse.com/>. The call can also be accessed live over the phone by dialing (877) 705-6003, or for international callers (201) 493-6725. A replay will be available one hour after the call and can be accessed by dialing (877) 870-5176 or (858) 384-5517 for international callers; the conference ID is 380891. That replay will be available until Thursday, November 3, 2011, and an online archive of the webcast will be available on the Company's investor relations website for 30 days.

### About The Chefs' Warehouse

The Chefs' Warehouse ([www.chefswarehouse.com](http://www.chefswarehouse.com)) is a premier distributor of specialty food products in the United States focused on serving the specific needs of chefs who own and/or operate some of the nation's leading menu-driven independent restaurants, fine dining establishments, country clubs, hotels, caterers, culinary schools and specialty food stores. The Chefs' Warehouse carries and distributes more than 11,500 products to more than 7,000 customer locations throughout the United States.

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