

MONDAY MORNING NEWSLETTER



GET READY FOR BACK TO SCHOOL WITH PA GRANTS AND PA PREFERRED® DAYS

The Pennsylvania Farm to School Grant Program is open! This program provides funding for schools to improve access to healthy, local foods and increase agriculture education opportunities for pre-kindergarten through fifth grade. The **application** period is **August 16 - October 1, 2021!**

To read the Farm to School grant notice and guidelines [click here](#). For helpful application instructions [click here!](#)

October is National Farm to School Month and there is no better way to celebrate than with the PA Preferred Days!

[Take me to info and registration!](#)



Grants to improve access to healthy, local foods and increase agriculture education opportunities for pre-kindergarten through 5th grade.

Available to any school, program or center with pre-kindergarten through 5th grade may apply for up to **\$15,000** in funding.

\$500,000 Available

APPLICATION PERIOD: AUGUST 16 - OCTOBER 1, 2021

<http://bit.ly/FarmtoSchoolPA>



LEAD TO SUCCEED

Don't miss out on the first module of School Nutrition Foundation's new LEAD to Succeed™ program. This training was designed specifically for school nutrition professionals.

- 3 hours of self-paced online learning worth three (3) CEUs!
- A Facilitator Guide brings the training to life in group settings
- Supported by a \$2m U.S.D.A. grant
- Created in partnership with Georgetown University McDonough School of Business

To check out the modules and sign up [click here!](#)



RECORDED SESSION BUNDLE FOR LINE STAFF

SNAPA has bundled sessions from this year's annual conference to meet the annual CEU credit requirement for line staff workers.

If you would like to purchase access to the recorded sessions to share with your team members, please [CLICK HERE](#).

AUGUST 23, 2021

PENNSYLVANIA FARM TO CHILD NUTRITION SUMMIT

CALL FOR PRESENTERS

The Pennsylvania Farm to Child Nutrition Summit will be held on **February 23, 2022** (snow date: March 2, 2022) at the Farm Show complex in Harrisburg. This summit is being coordinated by the Pennsylvania Department of Education, Division of Food and Nutrition and Project PA (Penn State University) with the support of the Pennsylvania Farm to School Network. Funding is provided by a USDA Farm to School grant.

Target audiences for this summit include Child Nutrition Program (CNP) operators, educators, producers, distributors, and other farm to school stakeholder groups. The purpose of the summit is to facilitate peer-to-peer learning and networking among CNP operators, establish connections between CNP operators and producers, and showcase farm to child nutrition “best practices.”

The summit planning committee is seeking speakers who have a farm to child nutrition experience to share or who want to engage the audience in discussion around a farm to child nutrition topic. A limited number of speaker stipends (approximately \$200 each) will be made available through a selection process. Additional information and a link to submit a presentation proposal can be found [HERE](#).

Deadline for submission of a presentation proposal is September 30, 2021.

SNA ANNOUNCES LOCKBOX MAILING ADDRESS CHANGE

Mailing in a payment to SNA? **The lockbox address is changing on October 12, 2021.** Please take note of the information below to ensure that your payment is sent to the correct address.

For payments sent before October 12, 2021, mail to:
SNA, PO Box 759297, Baltimore, MD 21275-9297

For payments sent after October 12, 2021, mail to:
SNA Depository, PO Box 719297, Philadelphia, PA 19171-9297

SNA is working hard to ensure a smooth transition to the new lockbox address, and we encourage you to begin making the necessary updates. SNA is here to help! If your school district requires an updated W-9 or vendor forms, or if you have any questions, please contact us at membership@schoolnutrition.org

WILD ABOUT SCHOOL LUNCH

Gear up for **October 11-15** for National School Lunch week!

It's time to get Wild About School Lunch with our colorful jungle animal theme! Get creative and start planning now for a fun NSLW celebration with the help of [our resources](#).



FEDERAL GRANT TO PROVIDE FRESH FRUIT AND VEGETABLES

Through the USDA Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program, 288 elementary schools across Pennsylvania will receive grant funding totaling \$7 million, according to the state Department of Agriculture. Eight of the schools come from the York City School District, although it wasn't yet clear how much money each school would receive. Funding priority is given to the schools with the highest rates of students eligible for free and reduced-price meals. Grant recipients are required to spend most of their grant on the purchase of fresh fruit and vegetables, and must develop a plan to establish partnerships to reduce other costs.

NOW IS THE TIME TO TAKE ACTION!

SNA's Back to School Survey revealed the severe financial and operational challenges facing school meal programs, including concerns over program economic sustainability, meeting new sodium targets, and continued supply chain disruptions due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Now is the time to urge your Member of Congress to provide relief from these critical issues facing School Meal Programs.

[Click here!](#)



2021 SNAPA Food Shows

Join us for the 2021 SNAPA Food Shows to visit with SNAPA partners and network with colleagues across the state!

October 8, 2021- New Castle High School

November 2, 2021- Ridley High School

[Click here to register today!](#)

Registration is free for all SNAPA school nutrition members.

[B&I Partners- Register HERE!](#)

IN THE NEWS

[Biden Administration Prompts Largest Permanent Increase in Food Stamps](#)

[PA Dept. of Education: 'Conditions aren't the same across state', local approach stays](#)

[Pa. senator wants to establish liability for parents who 'opt-out' of mask mandates in K-12 schools](#)

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