

SNAPA Teaches Tuesday

<u>Register now</u> for our next Teaches Tuesdays, February, 8th at 2:00pm! We will discuss the basic principles of food safety and best practices with Pamela Gallagher of School Food Service Solutions, LLC.





SNA Webinar Wednesday

Mark your calendar for February 2, 2022! Join Chef Matt Jost as he walks you through LIVE culinary demos to show you how you can add some excitement to your breakfast menu just in time for NSBW! Stefanie Dove will share current menu trends from other food service segments to help ignite your culinary inspiration for breakfast and beyond while providing ideas on how to effectively market your program to students, parents and your school communities!

Register here!

2022 Reimbursement Rates

The USDA announced an unprecedented \$0.25 increase in lunch reimbursement effective January 1st! Schools operating SSO during SY 21-22 are reimbursed under the higher SFSP reimbursement rates, which increase annually on January 1. In light of supply chain issues, USDA bumped up the rates a bit higher this year.

 $\underline{Check\ out}\ the\ reimbursement\ rates\ for\ this\ year!$



Southmoreland School District

The Southmoreland School District is looking for a 12 month Food Service Director (starting July 1, 2022). Ideal candidates will have relevant K-12 Child Nutrition experience including knowledge of and experience with industry-standard computer applications and minimum of three years direct management experience in a school food service program. Please send a letter of interest, resume and applicable clearances to: Mr. Vincent Mascia, Superintendent, Southmoreland Middle School, 200 Scottie Way, Scottdale, PA 15683 or masciav@southmoreland.net.

Call for Presenters

The 2022 SNAPA Conference is approaching and we are looking for presenters! If you are interested fill out the online form. All forms are due by January 31, 2022.

If you have any questions feel free to contact Travis Folmar, Program Chair at taf16@scasd.org with any questions.

Find the form here!

In the News:

3 Ways School Districts Can Ease the Pain of Supply Chain Chaos

<u>School milk shortage could be latest</u> headache

Wolf Administration Awards \$8 Million In Grants To Increase School Safety



SNS Credentialing

The School Nutrition Specialist (SNS) is a mark of excellence and achievement that reflects what it takes to manage school nutrition programs in today's challenging climate. The SNS Credentialing Exam evaluates candidates' knowledge and skills required to perform specific job activities related to managing or directing school nutrition programs.

Download and use the Handbook & Application to <u>register for the exam</u>. Sign up for the exam on 07/25/2022 by 07/04/2022 in Manheim, PA!

2022-23 B&I Partnership Opportunities

Each of our partners receive some great opportunities to engage with SNAPA during the 2022 Annual Conference and beyond! Click <u>HERE</u> to find additional information regarding our 2022-23 partnership opportunities.

To register as a partner for the 2022-23 membership year and participate in the 2022 SNAPA Annual Conference, click <u>HERE</u>. If you have any questions about this year's Annual Conference or your membership, please don't hesitate to reach out via email to executivedirector@snapa.org or by phone to (717) 732-1100.



SNF Equipment Grants

Want the opportunity to win equipment grants, each worth between \$20,000 to \$100,000 of equipment? Applications and photos must be submitted by a school nutrition director. The recipients will be notified in late-March. This year, only finalists will be asked to submit a 2-3-minute video. The deadline for the SNF Common application is March 31, 2022.

SUPPORT

school meals

A VALUABLE & VITAL STUDENT STAPLE

Amid pandemic uncertainties, school meals remain a reliable source of nourishment for students, supporting their health and achievement while combatting food insecurity. However, persistent pandemic challenges threaten the stability of school meal programs that millions of American families depend on.

98%

of school meal programs are

struggling with shortages of menu items, supplies and packaging

97%

are challenged by higher costs 95%

of schools have staff shortages





Congress must bolster the NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH AND BREAKFAST PROGRAMS (NSLP/SBP) to ensure all students are nourished and ready to learn:

EXTEND

child nutrition
waivers through
SY 2022/23 to
address supply chain
disruptions and
continued pandemic
challenges

PROVIDE

more revenue for school meals to cover higher food/labor costs

- ✓ Increase NSLP/SBP reimbursements
- Expand NSLP/SBP to offer free meals to all students

REDUCE

meal planning complexities

- Delay Target 2 sodium rules
 & eliminate Final Target
- ✓ Restore 50% whole grain rich rule
- ✓ Allow low-fat, flavored milk

CUT

the red tape

- Maximize staff time and funds for meal prep
- Implement Congressionally mandated Child Nutrition Reporting Burden Analysis Study





