

SNF's Professional Development Scholarships



The deadline for SNF's Professional Development Scholarships has been extended to March 31, 2023!

Apply now for the following scholarships:

- Superhero Scholarship from Bart Christian
- Schwan's Food Service Scholarship
- Nancy Curry Scholarship

Scholarship winners will be announced in the spring of 2023!



Join us Tuesday, February 14th at 2pm for our next Teaches Tuesdays!

February 14, 2023 at 2pm

Topic: PA Harvest of the Month Recipes

Register Here!

2023 Food Trends

Upcoming trends are always in store for a new year! Check out some of the top trends for 2023 in school nutrition and students' want!

Updated Throwback Favorites

think vegan, protein-rich mac and cheese, organic pizza bagels, pre- and probiotic sodas, and grain-free cereal, and keep an eye out for more new brands and recipes that feature updated, creative takes on nostalgic foods.

Produce Pasta

pasta is going from grains to greens with plant-based, vegetable pasta becoming a new staple. Pasta isn't going anywhere anytime soon, so why not try upping your veggie intake while enjoying some of your favorite dishes?

A Date with Dates

From chocolate-covered dates to a healthy Snickers dupe, dates have already seen some TikTok fame, and you can expect to see more recipes using the sweet, antioxidant-rich fruit coming this year.

PEARS Reminders

Reminder: Pennsylvania Harvest of the Month student contests--applications due February 10

Reminder: Verification Collection Report 2022-2023 due February 1, 2022

Direct Certification - Deadline for Third Student Enrollment Upload and Completing DC Process is January 31

COMMUNITY ELIGIBILITY PROVISION WEBINAR FOR PROSPECTIVE SPONSORS (Feb 14 & 15)



Fairview School District is accepting applications for a Food Service Coordinator. The deadline to apply is Sunday, February 5th, 2023. For more information in regards to the position and how to apply, please click **HERE!**

2023 SNAPA Director Workshop

Join us for the 2023 Director Workshop offers two days of collaboration, idea-sharing and networking. By the end of the event, you'll be equipped with the necessary knowledge, motivation and support to finish the year on a high note.

Pack your bags for March 26-27th at Seven Springs Resort! Online registration ends on March 1, 2023! Click below to learn more and register!

Register Here!

Call for Nominations

Nominations are open for the 2023-2024 SNAPA Board of Directors positions that will be open in the coming year.

Board positions up for nominees include Vice President, Nutrition Education/Professional Development Chair, Public Policy and Legislative Chair, and Regional Representatives for Region 1, 3, 5, and 7.

Nomination forms should be submitted to executive director @snapa.org no later than February 1, 2023

Click Here for Nominations Forms

2023 SNA and SNAPA Awards

The SNA Awards program highlights the outstanding and important work of SNA members and state affiliates. Members and state associations are eligible for a variety of honors that recognize their achievements in school food service, leadership, membership recruitment, and professional development. The deadline to submit nominations is March 1, 2023. Applications put you into consideration for both State and National Awards.

Submit a Nomination!



Future Leader

Nominations are now being accepted for SNA's 2023 Future Leaders Program. This program will be held on April 27-29 in Louisville, KY in conjunction with the National Leadership Conference (NLC). The deadline to submit applications is February 1, 2023!

View Application

Call for Presenters

SNAPA is looking for presenters for the 2023 Annual Conference! If you would like to present or know someone who is interested, please fill out our online form <u>HERE</u>.

Submissions must be received by February 28, 2023.

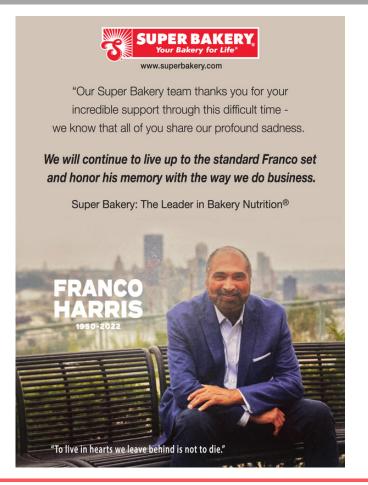


Join the PA Farm to School **Network!**

Whether you are a food service professional, farmer, child care provider, nutrition educator, or involved with farm-toschool/ECE activities in any way, The Pennsylvania Farm to School Network (PFSN) welcomes you!

Please make sure to RSVP for a **New Member Info Session** and you'll learn about our collaborative work to advance farm to school strategies and policies across PA. New members are welcome to join one of our working groups, which meet for 1 hour every other month to discuss strategies and connect with other farm-to-school stakeholders.

Learn more and get connected at an **upcoming info session** or contact Sam Gibb at sgibb@thefoodtrust.org with any





Engage Your Students Through Contests

Funding is available (up to \$1,500 each) to support up to 20 school districts/Local Education Agencies (LEAs) to hold student contests focused on PA HOM. The type of contest is left to the discretion of each LEA and may include posters, videos, essays, rap, photography, or other types of contests. Contests may focus on PA HOM in general or on a specific PA HOM item.

LEAs may apply for this funding by completing and submitting this application.



#NSBW March 6-10, 2023 We believe in starting the day off right-and that includes a nutritious breakfast for all students. By celebrating National School Breakfast Week (NSBW) every year, we're encouraging all schools to recognize the importance of a healthy start to the day for fueling a child's academic success.

















SNAPA Tray of the Month Campaign

A year-long school meal promotion activity that highlights the consistent high quality meals served in our Pennsylvania schools!

How does it work?

Each week SNAPA will select and share, via social media & email, photos of Pennsylvania school meal trays served that week, and which meet the following criteria:

- 1. Meet the USDA National School Breakfast or National School Lunch Meal Patterns, clearly showing all components (i.e. including fruit, vegetables, grains, meat/meat alternate and fluid milk as applicable)
- 2. Include a description of the meal menu items
- 3. Indicate the location and date of service
- 4. Be attractively plated and photographed
- 5. Submit photo with description to SNAPAcommunication@gmail.com

SNAPA social media followers will be asked to select their favorite photo each week. The image with the most weekly engagement (likes, shares & comments) will go into a running for the SNAPA Tray of the Month!

The SNAPA Tray of the Month will be selected and awarded the first week of the new month!

Purpose of Campaign

The campaign is intended to amplify all work that goes into meals served in Pennsylvania schools. SNAPA wants to provide a space where all School Nutrition Programs, regardless of size, location or presence on social media, will find an outlet to celebrate the work of your School Nutrition Professionals.

We also expect the campaign to provide replicable menus and menu presentation examples from local sources, from which other School Nutrition Programs may draw inspiration.

Winners

- · Winners will receive a congratulatory award for winning tray of the month.
- Winning tray will be featured on SNAPA Social Media (Twitter, Instagram & Facebook!)
- · List of winners and their photos will be linked on SNAPA website.
- Tray of the month winning trays will be highlighted and recognized in SNAPA Happenings.

Have fun and follow along!

Competition held monthly. Be sure to follow along on social media!







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