



HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

Happy holidays to everyone from the School Nutrition Association of Pennsylvania! It's a time of celebration and joy as we come together with our loved ones to exchange gifts, eat delicious food, and create special memories. No matter what holiday you celebrate, it's a time to take a break from the busyness of everyday life and focus on what truly matters: love, family, and gratitude. So let's raise a glass (or a mug, or a cup) to a wonderful holiday season, filled with warmth, happiness, and lots of cheer. Wishing you all the best this holiday season and a healthy and prosperous new year!

SNA Awards 2023

The SNA Awards program highlights the outstanding and important work of SNA members and state affiliates. Directors, Managers, and Employees are eligible for national and regional awards that recognize their achievements in school food service, leadership, membership recruitment, and professional development.



Nominate your colleague for:
Director of the Year Manager of the Year Employee of the Year

APPLY TODAY FOR AN LAC SCHOLARSHIP!

This year's Legislative Action Conference will be hosted March 5-7, 2023 at the J.W. Marriott in Washington, D.C.

The Pennsylvania School Food Service Foundation, in conjunction with SNAPA is pleased to award up to eight (8) scholarships this year for participation. Each scholarship includes a fully paid LAC registration (valued at \$550) and a \$350 award to help defray the cost of travel and meals.

For more information and to apply for this scholarship, please click <u>HERE</u>.

Applications should be submitted by December 21, 2022.

J.T.M. JACK MAAS. JR. SCHOLARSHIP

The "Jack Maas, Jr." LAC Scholarship will provide four (4) members with the opportunity to attend LAC. The deadline for the National LAC Applications is January 13, 2023.

To apply, applicants who have previously attended LAC visit: <u>Jack Maas, Jr. LAC Scholarship.</u>

Applicants who will be attending LAC for the first time, please visit: <u>Jack Maas, Jr. LAC Scholarship First-Timers.</u>

NOMINATE NOW

NATIONAL SCHOOL BREAKFAST **WEEK 2023**

SNA has new resources available to help you make the most of National School Breakfast Week 2023, taking place March 6-10, 2023. This year's theme is "Dig into School Breakfast!" Stay tuned for the #NSBW23 Toolkit

with even more ideas o and resources coming soon, giving you plenty of time to get inspired and prepare for the upcoming celebrations



SNA'S NEW RECRUITMENT TOOLKIT

To help make your hiring processes go more smoothly, SNA has created a series of recruitment resources as part of the "Bring More to the Table" Hiring Toolkit, designed to help you promote open staff positions and show others what a career in the diverse field of school nutrition actually looks like. Take a look at some resources to help you hire new talented employees!

LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Are you interested in serving on as a leader of SNA?

Open positions for 2023-24 include 25 school nutrition operator member positions, 5 state agency member positions and 14 industry member positions. All forms are due by Friday, February 3, 2023.



Fill out the SNA Committee & Advisory Council Interest Form now!

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION REMINDERS:

12/2 - 2021-2022 Child Nutrition Financial Report Reminder

12/12 - PDE, DFN Job Opening - Public Health Nutrition Consultant (Posting Closes 12/22/2022)

12/13 - Supply Chain Assistance Funding for School Year 2022-2023 Has Been Dispersed

12/16 - SNP Claim Reminder for October 2022 - DUE BY 12/30/2022

12/16 - Final 2021-2022 Child Nutrition Financial Report Reminder

12/16 - Direct Certification - Deadline for Third Student Enrollment

Upload and Completing DC Process is January 31

IN THE NEWS

MyPlate? Few Americans know or heed US nutrition guide

Participation in USDA school meal programs drops, federal survey shows

Educators Largely Support Universal Free Meals for Students, But Worry **About Complications**

Schools Are Struggling to Get Families to Apply for Free Meals



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