

We hope you had a Thanksgiving filled with warmth, laughter, and the company of loved ones. May your hearts be as full as your plates were, and may the spirit of gratitude continue to linger long after the last slice of pie!



Change. Challenge. Opportunity.

#LAC24 Registration is Now Open-Secure Your Spot! SNA is urging professionals to navigate the evolving landscape of school nutrition. The time to act is now!



MORE INFORMATION BELOW



March 4-8, 2024. The sun is rising on the **2024 National School Breakfast Week** (#NSBW24), and this year, we're catching the wave with the theme "Surf's Up with School Breakfast." Get ready to bring the excitement and energy of surfing culture to your cafeteria while promoting healthy and delicious breakfast options.

The #NSBW24 shop is now open!





Join us this Wednesday, November 29th from 9:30 am - 11:00 am via Zoom for the Universal Coalition Meeting! Please <u>use this form</u> to share your intent to participate in the meeting as a Coalition Member. We hope to see you there!

December 1st

National Eat a Red Apple Day



An apple is both delicious and nutritious. With over 7,500 varieties of apples and over 7.5% of the world's production coming from the USA, apples are widely available. As the saying goes, "an apple a day keeps the doctor away!"

IN THE NEWS

LEAD TESTING ISN'T REQUIRED FOR PA.
SCHOOL WATER FOUNTAINS. LAWMAKERS
WANT TO CHANGE THAT

BUTLER SCHOOLS RECEIVE FARM GRANT

PITTSBURGH NONPROFITS TACKLE FOOD INSECURITY AS USDA REPORT CONFIRMS GROWING CRISIS

School Food for Thought

Discover deeper insights into managing a thriving school nutrition program with Episodes 4 and 5 of SNA's School Food for Thought podcast. These episodes delve into unconventional community partnerships and fostering a positive workplace culture that keeps your team enthusiastic about their impactful work. Get ready to be inspired!



Episode Four

Doing More Than
the Impossible

Episode Five

Creating and Maintaining an Excellent Culture in School Nutrition Staff

LISTEN NOW



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THANK YOU PARTNERS!



















APPLY FOR A SNA COMMITTEE OR COUNCIL POSITION TODAY!

Serving on a SNA national Committee or Council offers exciting opportunities to grow professionally, develop new skills, work on issues from a national perspective, and contribute to the school nutrition profession.

We are looking for members like you who want to play an active role in shaping the future of school nutrition programs. Open positions for the 2024-25 year include 18 school nutrition operator member positions, 4 state agency member positions, and 9 industry member positions. All forms are due by Friday, **February 17, 2024.**

SNA Committees and Councils Interest Form

Learn More

MILK CARTON SHORTAGE LEAVES PENNSYLVANIA SCHOOLS SCRAMBLING FOR SOLUTIONS

A major shortage of cartons is hitting the dairy industry, including in Pennsylvania, which means fewer cartons of milk for schools and their students.

Read More about the Shortage

WE WANT YOU!

BECOME A FUTURE LEADER FOR OUR STATE ASSOCIATION

WHAT'S IN IT FOR YOU?

- Contribute to pivotal decisions on state-level food service operations.
- Network with key food service leaders in the state.
- Strengthen your resume with leadership roles, enhancing eligibility for title upgrades and promotions.
- Have a better opportunity to attend state conferences and have input of topics, activities or events that take place at the conferences

IF ANY OF THESE OPPORTUNITIES RESONATE WITH YOU, SEIZE THE MOMENT TO SIGN YOUR NAME ON THE BALLOT! WE CAN'T WAIT TO WORK WITH YOU!

EMAIL: EXECUTIVEDIRECTOR@SNAPA.ORG WITH YOUR INTEREST



NEW EVENT! 2024 SNAPA Commodity Food Show

SNAPA will be partnering with the PA Department of Agriculture to showcase commodity products and conduct tastings. In the afternoon, join us for a food show dedicated to all processed commodity items!

This is your opportunity to explore the finest in school nutrition commodities before allocation. Don't miss it!

AGENDA

9:30am Registration and Coffee Talk
10:30am Brown box cutting and Ag meet
and greet
Networking Break
12:00pm Processed Commodity Food Show

Tree for
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Director Level
Members

<u>Director-Level Members - Register Here</u> <u>Business and Industry Partners - Register Here</u>