MONDAY MORNING NEWSLETTER





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Check out the 2023 Fall Happenings! From Mobile Hydroponic Gardens to Lessons from a Newbie about "farm to school", the Fall Happenings Is the perfect place to keep up with all things SNAPA!



Job Opening!

The Perkiomen Vallely School District Is Hiring for the Coordinator of Food and Nutrition Services!

This position provides direct support to the Department of Food and Nutrition Services and aids in the execution of everyday aspects of school food and nutrition service operations. Responsibilities include coordinating special events, overseeing financial and PPOS back-office software, managing student eligibility records, supporting cafeteria's adherence to nutrition and regulatory guidelines, crafting social media content, and providing administrative assistance to the Food Service and Nutrition Department.

Apply Now!

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Call for Nominations!

We are excited to open nominations for the 2024-2025 SNAPA Board of Directors positions that will be open in the coming year.

- The documentation and nomination form linked below highlights responsibilities and qualifications for each position.
- Nomination forms should be submitted to executivedirector@snapa.org no later than February 16, 2024

Click this link for nomination forms.

Join the Governor's School Breakfast Challenge!

On December 7, 2023, Secretary of Education, Dr. Khalid N. Mumin announced the inaugural Governor's School Breakfast Challenge for the 2023-2024 school year. Goals like increasing student participation and building in healthy options will be on the menu for this three-month challenge. The Department of Education will be reaching out to schools in the future with exciting updates on what's in store for the challenge winners.

Be sure to visit the <u>Department of Education</u> <u>website</u> for more information about the challenge and ways to participate!

Schools will be encouraged and recognized for increasing breakfast participation while incorporating sustainable changes that incorporate more nutritious and local foods. Whether a friendly competition with buildings within your school district or with your neighboring school district, as school administrators, we encourage you to not only accept the Challenge, but to lead Challenge at your school.

SNA Future Leaders Program

Nominations are now being accepted for SNA's 2024 Future Leaders' Program. This program will be held April 25-27 in Seattle, WA in conjunction with the National Leadership Conference (NLC).

This program is designed to develop SNA's future leaders by providing opportunities for them to network with other emerging leaders from across the country, hone their leadership and communication skills, and learn from seasoned SNA leaders and association executives in an interactive learning environment.

Each state may nominate one individual to this program. Please note:

- Nominees must be SNA members who hold or aspire to hold, the SNA Certificate or SNS Credential.
- Individuals who are serving on a state board or have formerly held a state position will not be considered for the program.

To apply for this prestigious opportunity, fill out SNAPA's <u>online application HERE</u>. Submissions must be received by January 12, 2024.

Call for Presenters!

Are you interested in presenting at the 2024 SNAPA Annual Conference? Do you know someone who would be a great presenter? Fill out (or have someone you know) our online form <u>HERE</u>. Submissions should be received by February 23, 2024.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to us at executivedirector@snapa.org or by phone to (717) 732-1100.

SNAPA Commodity Food Show

SNAPA invites directors and partners to participate in the 2024 Commodity Food Show. The occasion will showcase a "Brown-Box" excerpt from the PA Catalog, followed by networking opportunities and a processed commodity food show featuring our B&I partners. Please note that this event is exclusively for Director-Level members.



2024 SNAPA Commodity Show January 22, 2024 Donegal High School - <u>1025 Koser Rd.</u> Mount Joy, PA 17552

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PDE School Breakfast Expansion grant

PDE has notified SFAs with qualifying schools of the funding opportunity of up to \$10,000 through a USDA School Breakfast Expansion (SBE) grant.

The list of qualifying schools and priority schools can be found in the two tabs in the spreadsheet available https://www.projectpa.org/. PDE and Project PA will present an informational webinar on the application process on January 8, 2024, at 2 PM. SFAs with qualifying schools are encouraged to tune in, and the webinar will be recorded for those who are unable to attend. Registration is not required. Schools may use this link to join the webinar on 1/8/2024 at 2 PM:

USDA requires that schools eligible to receive funding must have served at least 40% of National School Lunch Program lunches in October 2022 to students eligible to receive free or reduced-price meals. Priority will be given to schools in which at least 75% of students are eligible for free or reduced-price meals.

JANUARY 8, 2024

2 PM

WEBINAR LINK





2024 SNAPA DIRECTOR WORKSHOP

APRIL 8-9, 2024





FENTATIVE AGENDA:

April 7th Noon

SNS Exam (Register Through National SNA)

April 8th

12:45pm President's Welcome

1:00pm Keynote Kickoff, Fred Schafer

3:30pm Interactive Insights, Q&A w/ Vonda Ramp

5:00pm Cocktail Reception

6:00pm Dinner & Group Social Time

April 9th

8:00am Breakfast Buffet

9:00am Keynote, Amanda Gordineer, MPS, RDN

10:30am Partner Connection Point Event

12:00pm Spotlight Symposium & Best Practices Session

Fred Schafer & Amanda Gordineer, Keynote Speakers



REGISTER TODAY!

www.snapa.org/event-5108098

Registration deadline: March 1st

Join us for two great days of collaboration, solution sourcing and networking with some of the best directors in Pennsylvania. Leave our Director Workshop with the tools, charge and support you need to finish the year strong!