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Dates to Remember

AWARD DEADLINES

Mary Long Beasley Award to Kristen Bealler

Nominations due by April 30, 2022

SNA-NC Scholarships to Kristen Bealler

Entries due by May 1, 2022

Chapter of the Year Award to Kristen Bealler

Entries due by May 1, 2022

Lunch Bell Award to Kristen Bealler

Entries due by May 1, 2022

Partner in Education Award to Kristen Bealler

Entries due by May 1, 2022

Tim Greene Memorial Scholarship to Kristen Bealler

Entries due by May 1, 2022

Gene Causby Memorial Scholarship to Kristen Bealler

Entries due by May 1, 2022

Martha Gomer Spirit Award to Kristen Bealler

Entries due by May 1, 2022

SNA of NC Meetings

Committee Day

Greensboro – May 13, 2022

Chapter Leadership Seminar

Greensboro - June 21, 2022

New Horizons Trade Show

Greensboro - June 22, 2022

SNA MEETINGS

SNA Annual Conference

Orlando, FL – July 10-12, 2022

Annual Conference Week Activities in Greensboro

Board of Directors Meeting

Monday, June 20, 2022

Chapter Leadership Seminar

Tuesday, June 21, 2022

New Horizons Trade Show

Wednesday, June 22, 2022

Annual Conference

Wednesday, June 22 – Thursday, June 23, 2022

Board of Directors Meeting

Friday, June 24, 2022

ANNUAL CONFERENCE FORMS

Check out our website,
www.schoolnutrition-nc.org
for more
Annual Conference information
and forms by clicking on the
Events tab and
then State Conference tab.



A Message from our President Dana Edwards

“So Much Potential - and There is Plenty of Time!”

We always hear people say, “so much to do and so little time”, but that is not the same for everyday life. Dreams should be broken down into small goals and large goals, I believe. This way you can reach small ones first and feel very accomplished in doing so. Never stop dreaming and always believe that you do have so much potential AND there is plenty of time to make it happen! You’re never too old...or young to learn something new!

Little did I know when I was planning my theme “Bloom into your Potential” that it would mean so much. When the thought first came to me, I just wanted to create something that looked happy with sunflowers, since of course they are my favorite, but also, they make me smile. I wanted something that was different, and the seeds of a sunflower will always help more beautiful flowers grow and continue on for years to come. Well, that’s what we do daily. We learn something new each day and those seeds are planted. With continued nourishment our seeds will bloom into extremely amazing things.

Talk about exciting and amazing things. Right now, we are in the midst of planning our SNA-NC Annual Conference for June! Ruthie, Janet, and I are thrilled to invite you to our June conference in Greensboro where you can network with others from around the state. We are hopeful for more normalcy this year, while still adhering to safety precautions for all. Remember completing those surveys last year? Well, we listened. You can enjoy more educational mini sessions as well as welcoming back

“Make it, Take it” sessions too. Many resources are listed on our SNA-NC webpage at schoolnutrition-nc.org. Please visit us there and utilize this one stop shop for all your SNA-NC needs.



In the next few months, I will be finishing up my travels around the state for the last few District meetings along with Julie Pittman. During the last few months, I had the pleasure of sending a virtual “Thank you” on behalf of SNA-NC to those attendees of the No Kid Hungry Leaders Conference. I have also enjoyed networking at our SNA-NC Industry Seminar as well as charging the Hill at the SNA Legislative Action Conference in Washington, DC. What a busy time, however a great experience to be in attendance.

In closing, I would like to give a heartfelt THANK YOU to all of our board members for their tireless efforts this year. Each of you have worked diligently for the members and your committees through virtual meetings and numerous emails. The amount of work you do shows your commitment to our association and our SNA-NC members. I am grateful to lead this fabulous association alongside you! My year as President has been more than I could have dreamed! I can’t wait to see you in Greensboro and help you Bloom into your Potential!

Dana Edwards
SNA-NC President, 2021-2022

CANDIDATES FOR 2022-2023

VICE PRESIDENT



Stephanie Hall, SNS
School Nutrition Bookkeeper
Henderson County Schools

My name is Stephanie Hall, and I am running for the office of Vice President of SNA-NC. I have been with School Nutrition since 1993. I have been a member of SNA since 2001

and am Level 2 certified as well as a Star Club member. I was able to gain my SNS certification in 2021. I attended NC LAC twice, as well as 15 of our annual conferences. I also was able to attend the SNA-SC conference in 2021. I attended virtual LAC last year, and the in-person LAC in March. I have attended two Annual National Conferences. I also attended Industry Conference in 2020 and 2022 and came away with quite a bit of useful information. I have extensive experience in SNA at the state level, serving on Membership, Endowment, Culinary Arts, Resolutions and By-Laws, and Leadership Development/Awards Committees, as well as on the Board of Directors as a District Director. I was lucky enough to be able to serve three separate terms. I have served in my local association as President and Treasurer. Our chapter raises funds for annual scholarships for deserving students by raffling off big ticket items that are donated. We also continue to fund and distribute Easter Baskets to the Foster children in our county. Last year, our 18th year, we were able to distribute over 120 baskets.

I worked in the kitchens for 23 years, first as an Assistant, then as a Manager. I took the Bookkeeper position for Henderson County Child Nutrition in 2016. These positions have given me invaluable experience in all aspects of the School Nutrition program and will enable me to bring to the table a view from many perspectives.

While our membership may be made up of many different races, religions, and lifestyles; we all have one thing in common; our love for children and our dedication to making sure they are served the most nutritious meals we are able to offer. Our diverse group is our

biggest asset as we are all able to bring an idea to the table that others could use. We gladly share our gifts so our fellow members can take them back to their area and use them. I want to encourage more members to show off their talents, whether it be in the kitchen, in an office or on the stage. I hope to see more people willing to jump in and show off!

Our membership is largely made up of Managers and Assistants. However, some members have the misinformed opinion that Board positions are only for Directors and Supervisors. This is not true. My hope is, by being elected Vice President, I will be able to help them see that all of us are qualified to be on the board; no matter what our position. Our drive and passion is the thing that helps to make amazing board members. I hope that I will be able to encourage someone to step out of their comfort zone and take the leap into serving on the board. My first baby step into the job of District Director many years ago has led me to take this giant step, and I hope that you will vote for me to be your 2022-2023 Vice President.

VICE PRESIDENT



Kathy "Coble" Ross
School Nutrition Area
Supervisor
Charlotte Mecklenburg Schools

Most of you know me as Kathy Coble, but I am happy to announce that I recently married in January to the love of my life, Jamie. My new name is Kathy Ross. I am honored to have been chosen as one of the candidates for the critical position of Vice President of SNA-NC. When I started 10 years ago with the public school system, I had no idea how my life would change working in the School Nutrition Field. I have loved every minute of it even with its challenges due to COVID the past two years. I am a strong advocate for School Nutrition, and I believe in the power of feeding students excellent quality food. It's been clear to me that SNA-NC is a strong family of professionals who support one another and make a difference in the lives of

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students today, tomorrow, and in the future.

I started in New Hanover County as an Assistant Manager and worked my way up to Manager in one year. I stepped up to serve on the local SNA board in the positions of Secretary and Vice President and then going on to be a District Director. I then became a lead trainer for the Internship and the Assistant Manager program. While in Davidson County serving as a Supervisor, I was the Advisor of the local chapter with Thomasville City Schools, Lexington City Schools, and Davidson County. I was honored to be the SNA-NC Manager of the Year in 2015 and was awarded a scholarship to attend the ANC in Atlanta. I am currently serving again as District VI Director and an Area Supervisor with CMS. You might know me as the lady who is always stepping in to help at the state conference no matter what the needs are. I love to network and meet new people and am so excited to attend this year's conference.

When I'm not working, I love to be anywhere outdoors or on the water. For the past 3 years, I have been volunteering my time on many weekends as a Hike Leader with the Trailblaze Challenge through Make a Wish. This challenge is a one-day hike that is 28.6 miles located in the Foothills of GA. Being an Alumni with this organization and making wishes come true for the children gives me so much pleasure. I also love to be on the water boating, paddle boarding, and kayaking with my family. It would be a great honor and blessing to represent SNA-NC as your next Vice President.

DISTRICT II DIRECTOR



Imer Smith
School Nutrition Director
Brunswick County Schools

My name is Imer Smith, I am the School Nutrition Director in Brunswick County Schools. I have been in School Nutrition for 23 years and in food service a total of 37 years. I started my love for food service at 14 ½ years old and never looked back. While I was in college at UNC-Greensboro, I

completed an internship with Guilford County Schools Nutrition Department and had a firsthand experience with Summer Food Service Program. That's where I knew I wanted to stay in School Nutrition. After my Dietetic Internship, I went back to my hometown of Wilmington, NC and started my dream job as a supervisor in New Hanover County Schools and later became the Director.

I have been a member of SNA since 1996 and have served on local committees and on state committees. Currently, I am the SNA-NC Nutrition Chair promoting nutrition topics to our members that will carry out to our students.

Your vote will count, and I will not let you down. I am eager to seek new members and ensure seasoned members that we have a mission to stay on top of what's happening in school nutrition and to always remember we make a difference. You will see I am very energetic and love to smile. Your vote counts and I will do my best for District II.

DISTRICT IV DIRECTOR



Tina Hood
School Nutrition Manager
Richmond County Schools

I would like to introduce myself. My name is Tina Hood and I am in my ninth year working with child nutrition. I am the Manager of the Rocket Cafe at Rockingham Middle School. I am truly blessed. The last few years have been interesting for all of us. I have served in my local chapter, as president and secretary. I also have served as your District IV Director, and I took great pride in that role. My goal yet again is to have a chance to be your voice with the SNA-NC. When I am not working, I am spending time with my wonderful husband Tim Hood, my children, and 10 grandchildren. I love crafting wreaths when I do get a free moment or two.

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DISTRICT VI DIRECTOR



Amanda Howard
*School Nutrition
Services Manager
Union County Public Schools*

My name is Amanda Howard, and I am the SNA-NC District VI Director Candidate. I have lived in North Carolina all but one year of my life. I live in

Union County with my husband of 22 years. I have one daughter who is a senior at NC State and one son who works full time. I am very active in my church and community. I am on the auxiliary services for our local fire department and serve as the secretary for the auxiliary as well. I work with the youth and children's departments at my church. In my free time, I like to spend time with my family, craft, and read. I also love being outdoors and taking spur of the moment road trips. I have worked with School nutrition for eight years, all of it in Union County.

I am very supportive of my local chapter. I have served as our local chapter secretary for two years. I have also served on committees for our local SNA chapter. I have been on the menu committee for several years. I have also worked on the Back-to-School Workshop committee. I attend the annual conferences and trade show. I love being involved with my school and SNA. I believe all children deserve a nutritious meal. I believe we have an important role in a kid's life and health through our nutrition program at our schools.

DISTRICT VIII DIRECTOR



Brian Arrington
*Child Nutrition Supervisor
Henderson County Public Schools*

I am Brian Arrington and my career in Child Nutrition began in 2018 as I became a CN Supervisor for Henderson County Public Schools. I currently supervise four middle schools, four high schools and Early College. My responsibilities

include direct supervision of the employees at each site, menu planning, training, recipe development, equipment procurement and school site reviews.

I have a BS/BA in Business Management and started my career in food service in 1989. I have held the position of prep cook, Pastry Chef/AM Kitchen Manager at Waynesville County Club and Catering Pastry Chef as well as Associate Catering Chef at Western Carolina University. These positions allowed me extensive experience in food preparation, menu planning, addressing special dietary needs, event planning, and supervision of others.

I have served as an officer for three terms in our local HCPS SNA chapter as secretary and vice-president. I am SNA certified. This experience has trained me well in the Association's activities and responsibilities and I have been active in supporting our chapter's activities. I assisted a fellow HCPS SNA member while they were serving as District VIII Director, so I feel confident in my ability to serve in this position. I would be honored to serve as your District VIII Director and will work for the association and the children we serve. Thank you for your support.



“Bloom Into Your Potential”

By Ruthie McDowell, President-elect and Conference Chair

The 2022 Annual Conference “Bloom into Your Potential” promises to bring opportunities for your blooms to grow professionally. I cordially invite you to attend the SNA-NC Annual Conference in Greensboro, NC on June 20-24, 2022. This year’s conference will be filled with networking opportunities, learning, meeting new people, acquiring new skills, sharing best practices and tasting new and exciting foods at our famous Trade Show. Your blooms will be continually watered during the conference, so there will be no time for them to wither.

The SNA-NC conference begins on Monday, June 20, 2021, with pre-conference workshops. These workshops will run through Tuesday, June 21, 2022. NCDPI will again sponsor the AR training for those LEAs scheduled for 2022-2023 reviews. Also, for those of you aspiring to be a manager, or have recently become a manager, take advantage of the “School Nutrition Manager Leadership workshop”. In addition, NCDPI will be offering a refresher on the School Breakfast Program and the National School Lunch Program requirements. Registration information for these pre-conference workshops is included in this edition of the Arrow. Space is limited so get your registrations in early. There will also be an opportunity for those who meet the requirements to take the SNS Credentialing Exam on Tuesday morning, June 21, 2022.

There will be another great opportunity for your local SNA Chapter and their officers to learn about SNA-NC. Ruthie McDowell, President-elect and Janet Johnson, Vice President will be offering information on how to make your chapter BLOOM!!!

We are excited to announce that the Culinary and Creative Arts Competition will be back this year. NC has lots of great cooks. This is a great opportunity for you to display your artistic skills. Be proud of what you do, and be recognized for your talents. Show off your culinary skills and make your district proud. Good Luck and Enjoy!

First timers!! If this is your first conference, you are in for a treat. I hope you join us for a session just for YOU!! Come and learn how to take advantage of the many opportunities available during conference. It can be overwhelming, but this should be a time to enjoy and learn.

The Trade Show will be on Wednesday morning, June 22, 2022. After the Trade Show, you will be able to sit back and enjoy the opening general session. During the general session, we’ll celebrate our Culinary and Creative Arts winners. In addition, we’ll have an informative, energetic and full of fun opening speaker, Janine Stange. She’s a great story teller, singer, and she may even dance for us. You’ll have to be there to experience the excitement. She’s going to share with us her story on how she “Bloomed” into the person she is today. Later in the evening we will have a “Fun Night.” We will play games for prizes, have Karaoke, so bring your friends and come prepared to participate and make it an event to remember.

On Thursday, June 23, 2022, you will have an opportunity to choose between 12 mini sessions. Check out the mini session listings in this edition. Take advantage of the topics and resources that will help you “Bloom into Your Potential”.

Finally, get ready for the SNA banquet in the lovely Imperial Ballroom. We will close our conference with dinner, awards and the installation of our newly elected officers.

This is going to be an event you do not want to miss! I sincerely hope you will attend this year’s 2022 SNA-NC Conference. Don’t miss out on the fun. Make plans now as you “Bloom into Your Potential”. I’ll see you there!

North Carolina Department of Public Instruction School Nutrition and School Operations Division
Preconference Workshops for SNA-NC 2022

**The Administrative Review Process:
An approach to collaborative compliance**

June 20-21, 2022

Koury Convention Center

WHO SHOULD ATTEND:

School Nutrition Administrators who wish to learn more about the Administrative Review process

North Carolina Department of Public Instruction School Nutrition Division will offer a pre-conference workshop for School Nutrition Administrators wishing to learn more about the Administrative Review conducted in the School Food Authority. The workshop will be held at the Koury Convention Center in Greensboro. Registration is open to all School Nutrition Administrators and preferential seating is given to administrators with Administrative Reviews occurring early in the review cycle schedule. Please register in advance.

**New School Nutrition
Manager Workshop**

June 20-21, 2022

Koury Convention Center

WHO SHOULD ATTEND:

New and aspiring school nutrition managers who have not attended a previous session of the School Nutrition Manager Leadership Workshop

North Carolina Department of Public Instruction School Nutrition Division will offer a pre-conference workshop for new and aspiring School Nutrition Managers. The workshop will include introductory information and overviews for meal patterns and offer vs. serve, meal counting and claiming, cash management and accountability, Food Safety and Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point (HACCP) plan, inventory management, production records, and customer service. Please apply in advance as on-site registrations cannot be processed due to limited seating space

**School Nutrition Administrator Refresher:
School Breakfast Program and National
School Lunch Program**

June 20-21, 2022 (Tentatively)

Koury Convention Center

WHO SHOULD ATTEND:

School Nutrition Administrators who would benefit from a refresher on School Breakfast and National School Lunch Program Requirements

North Carolina Department of Public Instruction School Nutrition Division will offer a refresher on the School Breakfast Program (SBP) and National School Lunch Program (NSLP) requirements at the Koury Convention Center in Greensboro. The course will prepare participants to successfully transition from operating Summer Nutrition programs to School Nutrition programs for the 2022-2023 school year.

Topics covered will include meal patterns and menu planning, food systems management, meal benefits, accountability, HACCP, production records and more. Please register in advance.

**Please check the
School Nutrition Update
for more information
in the coming weeks.
Registration information
with meeting details,
date, and time
will be available.**

Conference Agenda at a Glance

June 20, 2022

- DPI Pre-conference Workshops

June 21, 2022

- DPI Pre-conference Workshops
- SNS Credentialing Exam
- Chapter Leadership Workshop
- Culinary and Creative Arts

June 22, 2022

- New Horizons Trade Show
- First Timers Session
- Meet the Candidates
- Delegate Assembly
- First General Session
- Fun Night

June 23, 2022

- Second General Session
- Educational Mini Sessions
- President's Luncheon
- Banquet / Awards Ceremony / Board Installation

**Visit our website at
www.schoolnutrition-nc.org
for more up to date information.*

Guest Speaker --

JANINE STANGE

Janine Stange is a motivational speaker, singer, and on-air personality. She is best known for her historic journey to sing the Star-Spangled Banner in all 50 states – a mission she embarked on to honor our brave. Her story is the subject of “National Anthem Girl” a documentary by Kelly’s Filmworks now streaming on Amazon Prime.

Janine has been featured on every major television network and appeared on national news shows including: TODAY Show, Fox & Friends, NBC Nightly News, and Fox News @ Night. She can be heard every Thursday morning on Sirius XM’s 60’s Gold with Phlash Phelps.

Stange has spoken to and performed for groups across the country ranging from Fortune 500 companies to inner-city public schools. She connects to all ages and backgrounds providing a sense of citizenship, duty, and what service-over-self really means. She works closely with non-profits that empower and give back to our military and their families. In 2015, Janine also became the first person to sing the national anthem every hour, 24 hours straight as part of an effort to raise funds for a military charity.

In her keynote speech, “Discover Your Mission” – she takes the audience along on her journey. Through stories that are both comical and moving, Stange identifies the pitfalls to goals – and shares four life lessons that helped her navigate through and realize her 50-state goal. Ultimately Janine Stange helps others uncover their own unique life mission and activates them to do what they can, with what they have, where they are.



Educational Mini Sessions – Thursday, June 23, 2022

Session 1 10:15 am – 11:15 am

Session 2 11:30 am – 12:30 pm

Session 3 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Session 4 3:15 pm – 4:15 pm

“Make It, Take It”

Imer Smith, SNA-NC Nutrition Chair

Celebrate the Good Times: Make It, Take It is Back!

We're back. This session is always one of the most popular sessions at the conference. This year it is the goal of the Nutrition Committee to bring it all back and share creative ways to promote National School Lunch Week (NSLW), plus bring a craft back to share with your staff. NSLW is celebrated in October, and we want this school year to be the best ever.

“Leadership, Diversity, and Inclusion”

Reginald Ross, Operations Consultant, NCDPI-School Nutrition Division

This session will focus on how principles of diversity and inclusion are essential qualities for all leadership. It's All of Us. Join me to get you thinking about how you can make a difference in the environments in which you lead.

“NC-LAC and the PPL Committee”

Gretchen Wilson, SNA-NC PP&L Chair

Our Legislators can do WHAT? Why do we need to know how Legislation works? Well, your taxes are used to pay for a lot of things that laws dictate. Choosing not to vote or not knowing who you are voting for can determine who your state and nation determine what to offer to whom and what to allow that you may disagree with. Your voice matters. Come and learn how a bill becomes a law and why you need to know more about how government works! See you there.

“Don't Feed the Trolls: Handling Negativity in the Comment Section”

Liz Roesel, Owner, SEA Level Social

Don't let the fear of negative comments prevent you from telling your story on social media. Learn how to handle negative comments, how frequently you can expect them and where you are more susceptible to receive them. We'll see real-life examples that will empower you to be an online advocate for your program and the entire school nutrition industry!

“A Peek into NCDA&CS Food Distribution”

NCDA & CS Food Distribution

Please come and get to know your NCDA&CS Food Distribution Team as we give you a peek into our day-to-day operations. During this session, we will focus on answering some of your most frequently asked questions about USDA Foods and NC Farm to School.

“Customer Service for Kids”

Gary Gay, Retired Food Distribution Director and Cindy Marion, Retired School Nutrition Director

This workshop will demonstrate how to cultivate an environment that will engage students and staff, increase meal participation, and enhance the workday for you!

*Please check the SNA-NC website,
www.schoolnutrition-nc.org,
in May for Conference updates.*

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Session 4 3:15 pm – 4:15 pm

“Where’s the Leak in your Cup”

Vincent Webb, Family and Consumer Science Assistant Agent, Guilford County

Do you ever feel like you have nothing to pour out of your cup? Do the stressors of life zap your energy? Long hours at work and curveball-like challenges saturate most of our lives, but we can choose how we respond to them. There are some things that take from our cup that we have no control over and there are some that we have control over. In this session, participants will learn how managing and responding to stress can affect their overall health and wellness. They will learn healthy techniques to respond to stressful challenges and how to reduce the pressure of stress.

“Blend Up a Positive Lunchroom Environment”

Regina Moseley, Area Family & Consumer Sciences Agent, Nash & Edgecombe Counties

Food is a necessity in life. Learn how you can utilize your lunchroom to “Blend Up Positivity in the Lunchroom” to teach youth the importance of a healthy diet and physical activity. Participants will learn about vision boards, how to host a kid’s health fair, and maybe do a little exercise on the blender bikes.

“Reimbursement to the Max”

Cami Lewis, RD, Manager of Youth Wellness, The Dairy Alliance

Maintaining financial stability for School Nutrition Services requires creativity. Take your reimbursement to the max with The Dairy Alliance’s innovative milk and yogurt programs. We’ll share specifics on how to increase meal participation, boost consumption of nutritious dairy, and foster great relationships with students and staff. We’ll share tips and success stories of schools that have taken their reimbursement to the max!

“Know your Audience, Find your Partners...Hunger is Real”

Brenda Watford, Retired School Nutrition Director

This session will help you “think outside the box” when it comes to providing nutritious meals to your students and community. If you can think it, you can do it. Come learn about innovative ways that have been used in North Carolina.

“How the Carolina Hunger Initiative, SFAs, DoorDash, and Rural Communities can Partner on Summer Meals”

Tamara C. Baker, Project and Communications Director, Carolina Hunger Initiative and Jessica Soldavini, Assistant Professor of Nutrition, UNC Gillings School of Public Health

The team will share how to engage local communities and leadership, customize promotion resources and host lively events promoting summer meals and starring the popular mascot, RayFSun. You will learn about an exciting new opportunity for free delivery: DoorDash is offering to provide deliveries at no cost to the meal sponsor between prep kitchens and meal sites! You will hear how CHI is RECRUITING COLLEGE STUDENTS FOR PAID INTERNSHIPS, with interns placed in the SFAs’ districts to help out! And much more...

“Sunflowers...Growing, Blooming, Glowing!”

SNA of NC District Directors

Great Leaders don’t set out to be a leader...they set out to make a difference! SNA is a tool that can enhance your professional career and your school nutrition program. Our District Directors share their leadership journeys. Hear insight on how you can grow in SNA and how to cultivate SNA in your district. YOU GROW! YOU BLOOM! YOU GLOW!

“Where Sunflowers Bloom, so does Hope”

By Deborah Davis Carpenter, Endowment Chair

School Nutrition Association members, I challenge you to be someone’s sunshine by supporting the School Nutrition Association of North Carolina Endowment Project for 2022. SNA-NC Endowment raises funds to offer scholarships and trainings to our SNA of NC members. Your support is very much needed! Without it, SNA-NC Endowment would not have the funds to give our members the added support they may need to pursue their educational goals and additional professional training.

This is an exciting time of the year to bloom, shine and give hope to others by helping to raise funds for the School Nutrition Association of North Carolina Endowment Fund. This year, we are having a Super, Exciting raffle. The Endowment Committee wants to team up with your local SNA chapter. We are asking each school district chapter to donate a “Super Chapter Basket” filled with all the goodies you can find. The chapter basket can be theme based with whatever you choose. For example, your basket can represent your region of the state of North Carolina or you may choose a relaxing spa theme. Again, whatever you choose to put in your basket, will be absolutely fantastic. Your basket will be used for our super, exciting raffle. We will also accept additional items that you may want to donate to this amazing cause, such as gift cards, other gifts, small appliances, artwork, kitchen tools, work tools, garden tools, blankets, quilts, flower arrangements, etc. etc. We need your donations! All monies raised from this exciting raffle will of course be used to support our members. Please plan to drop your donated items off during the conference. More details will be at the registration desk.

The Endowment Committee is working on plans for us to return to classes at UNC-G on Wednesday morning of the conference. These classes will be held in the lab at UNC-G, so space is limited. Additional information will be available on our website www.schoolnutrition-nc.org. We will have information at the registration desk as well.

Please, keep checking our website for the registration information regarding our UNC-G class and the Super, Exciting Raffle. We are looking forward to seeing all of you in June. Don’t forget your local chapter basket and other donated items as well as your extra \$\$ to spend during the raffle.

Stay Safe and we’ll see you in Greensboro, shining and blooming!!

Chapter Leadership Seminar 2022

“Bloom Into Your Potential”

The volunteers and leaders of the School Nutrition Association of North Carolina are the driving force behind a successful local chapter. Have you ever wondered what you can do to “Bloom Into your Potential”? If so, this session will provide training on how to implement strategies to become a successful leader?

Please join Janet and Ruthie at the 2022 Chapter Leadership Seminar to find tools and resources that will help you develop your leadership skills. These are skills that can be used as a leader, at work, or in your daily life.

If you are a current leader or if you desire to step up to the call of leadership, you will not want to miss out on this great opportunity. It promises to be impactful and make you an MVP!

Some of the topics planned include:

- Discovering Your Leadership Skills & Goal Setting
- Professional Communication
- Recognizing Leadership Skills in Others
- Time Management
- Best Practices from Local Chapters
- Taking Your Chapter to the Next Level

DATE: Tuesday, June 21, 2022 • TIME: 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm

COST: \$25.00/person (includes training materials and beverages)

REGISTRATION: See the Conference registration form.

Scholarships & Awards Update

By Kristen Bealler, Leadership Development/Awards Chair

SNA-NC offers many avenues to celebrate the accomplishments of the School Nutrition Professionals across North Carolina. Take this opportunity to nominate yourself or a deserving colleague today before the deadlines pass!

DON'T FORGET THESE IMPORTANT DEADLINES FOR THE SNA-NC AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Mary Long Beasley Award	April 30, 2022
Martha Gomer Spirit Award	May 01, 2022
SNA-NC Scholarship Application	May 01, 2022
Tim Greene Scholarship	May 01, 2022
Gene Causby Scholarship	May 01, 2022
Chapter of the Year	May 01, 2022
Lunch Bell Award	May 01, 2022
Partner in Education Award	May 01, 2022

It is now easier than ever to apply for a scholarship and/or award because it is now online! Multiple opportunities exist to further your education, attend SNA/SNA-NC conferences/meetings or to simply help you do your very best at your profession. Take the opportunity now to review the various awards or scholarship opportunities at our website <https://www.schoolnutrition-nc.org/AwardsScholarships.aspx>. Deadlines are approaching so get those applications in on time! You can always reach out to Kristen Bealler via email at beallerkr@hickoryschools.net and she will be glad to help you navigate the process. Submission via mail or online will be accepted. If you have questions, contact Kristen at 828-322-2855 ext. 228 or beallerkr@hickoryschools.net.

**Submit your written application to Kristen Bealler, Leadership Development/Awards Chair:
432 4th Avenue SW, Hickory, NC 28602.**

President's Luncheon

By Kristen Bealler, SNA-NC Past-President

Spring has finally sprung! While everything outside is abloom SNA-NC hopes that you have done some BLOOMING of your own. On Thursday, June 23, 2022, we look forward to celebrating the bright and colorful heritage of our past-presidents and the achievements of our current president, Dana Edwards.

We invite all Chapter Presidents, current or past Board Members, and anyone interested in becoming a Future SNA-NC Leader to join SNA-NC for the President's Luncheon. A delicious three course meal, a token of appreciation, and the wonderful opportunity to network with the past and future of our Association set the stage for a memorable "ticketed" event.

SNA-NC Past-Presidents, this exclusive event is offered to you at no cost; simply RSVP to me directly at beallerkr@hickoryschools.net to reserve your spot. For all other attendees, please make your reservation for this event on the Annual Conference Registration Form and include the cost of the meal with your registration. We look forward to seeing you there.

***Please indicate any SPECIAL MEAL REQUIREMENTS on your Conference Registration, or in your RSVP.**



Legislative Update

By *Gretchen Wilson, PP&L Chair*

Wow, we have had many things going on concerning NC Legislation. By now, our eligible permanent staff members should have received at least \$1000, and for those making less than \$75,000 were to receive an additional \$500 to equal \$1500 in a one-time bonus. We also got great news that the state statute, NC General Statute 115C-450 to give some relief to districts that were paying over 8% in indirect cost. Now, a school district cannot be charged more than 8% in indirect cost. We can also breathe a little easier because the change was approved to go from one-month to a two-month operating balance on hand to be charged that new 8% indirect cap. However, our Legislators will now expect DPI to provide a report every 6 months showing how many months of operating balance each LEA/District has on hand. I do not know what DPI will ask of us for this yet. Hopefully they will be able to pull the data without our input.

I wanted to thank all the School Nutrition Directors and other staff members that took part in the January 6, 2022, Legislative ZOOM Meeting. It was not a planned meeting, but our President, Dana Edwards thought it was important information to bring to as many directors' attention. It was a quick opportunity for us to pass along what was going on in Raleigh and learn what some of our Districts have been going through this school year.

We have many Legislators to thank for getting the indirect cap and an additional month of operating balance to help us to be sustainable. This will also enable us to purchase and repair equipment, and to bring in some food and supplies that we may have been holding off to offer and use in our School Nutrition Departments in NC Schools. Those special Legislators are Senator Brent Jackson (R-Duplin, Johnston, Sampson), Senator Michael Lee (R- New Hanover) and Representative John Torbett (R-Gaston) that are Appropriation Chairs. We continue to need to reach out to our Senators and Representatives to remind them of our needs and to thank them for thinking of us and our students when School Nutrition Legislation crosses their desk.

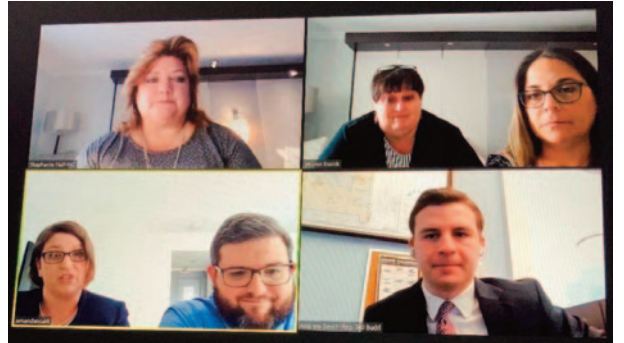
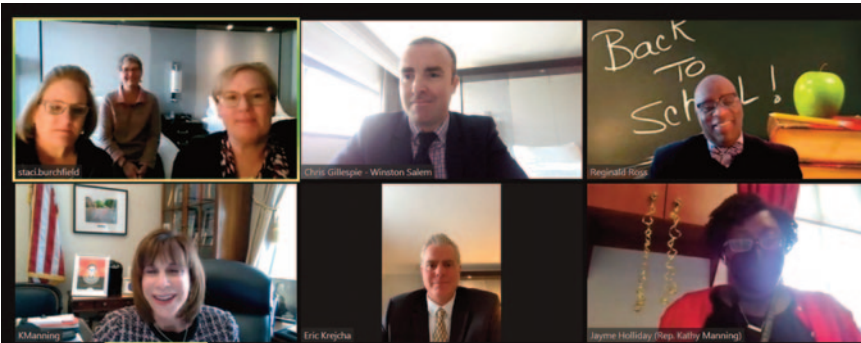
Nationally we were so excited to see so many SNA-NC members at LAC in DC. Your SNA-NC PP&L Committee worked hard to get data on what our needs were and took this to DC in March. We have used many of the waivers and have enjoyed the higher meal reimbursement rate this school year and hope it will carry over to the next school year. We continue to inform Legislators and other organizations of the benefit of the higher reimbursement rates, as well as the need for the extension of many of the waivers. We do not know how long COVID will be around to cause food and supply disruptions, increase cost of our staff wages, and how those foods and supplies that will affect many districts on what they are able to offer their students for breakfast and lunch.

Remember:

1. Call, email, and write a good old-fashioned handwritten note saying "Thank You!" to your NC State Representative and Senator.
2. Visit the NC General Assembly website (<https://www.ncleg.gov/>) to find out who represents you today.
3. DPI reports every six months to Legislators (New subsection under 115C-450(d)): The NC General Assembly is keeping a keen eye on operating balances and indirect cost charges in order to make future funding decisions regarding local School Nutrition.
4. It is an election year – every seat in the NC House and Senate is up for election (170 seats: 50 state Senators, and 120 state Representatives who make up our state legislature). For information on who has filed to run for the NC General Assembly, please see the unofficial state Senate and state House candidate listings at <https://www.ncleg.gov/>.
5. Get to know the Legislative candidates in your district, including the incumbents running for re-election (that is, your current Legislators): Educate them on how School Nutrition is funded and how we need additional state dollars to help pay for the increased wages to \$13/hour and \$15/hour or else we will continue to lose our highly-trained School Nutrition staff to local restaurants and retailers.

I look forward to bringing you more updates at our State Conference in June. Hope to see you there!

2022 Legislative Action Conference



Let's Get Ready for the ~ MAKE IT, TAKE IT ~ Break-out Session in June

By: Imer Smith RD, LDN, Nutrition Chair

The Nutrition Committee looks forward to seeing everyone at the State conference this June. We are preparing fun ideas to get students excited about National School Lunch Week (NSLW) in October 2022. Make sure to mark this session on your schedule, we have lots of great ideas to share.

Let's look back ~

When was National School Lunch Week (NSLW) created? 1962

Why was it created? To promote the importance of a healthy school lunch in a child's life and the impact it has inside and outside of the classroom.

How many meals are served? Pre-Pandemic nearly 100,000 schools served 29.6 million students each day.

During this annual weeklong celebration, SNA members and students around the country will find new ways to celebrate in their schools and districts with special menus, events, student activities and more. Check us out in June, don't forget to register for the conference.

Thank you from the Nutrition Committee!

District 1	Kelletha Govan (Dare County- Director)
District 3	Jamie Narron (Wilson County- Director)
District 4	Melony Edwards (Bladen County- Manager)
District 5	Altha Carr (Thomasville City Schools- Lead Manager)
District 6	Wendy Sheprow (Union County- Assistant Director)
District 7	Searching for a member- if interested email ismith@bcswan.net
District 8	Janette Broda MHS, RDN, LDN (Transylvania County- Director)

Let's Celebrate ~ School Lunch Hero Day

Mark your calendar for Friday, May 6, 2022, we will celebrate the 9th Annual School Lunch Hero Day! School Lunch Hero Day was created by a partnership between the School Nutrition Association, and children's author Jarrett Krosoczka—the author of a number of picture books including the “Lunch Lady” series. Let's plan a very special day to show appreciation to the professionals who help make meals for America's students. These professionals not only include the people who design and implement the strict nutrition standards needed in schools, but also the cafeteria workers who make sure that all children are fed. All of these people are heroes, and this day is designed to show them the appreciation they deserve but never ask to receive. Ideas to show appreciation can be found at <https://schoolnutrition.org/SLHD/Recognize/>

Here are few ideas to celebrate National School Lunch Hero Day and honor our school nutrition professionals:

1. Display banners with a message of gratitude, thanking the professionals for their hard work.
2. Make greeting cards and give the cards to them.
3. Create a video of all the students sharing what they like about the school nutrition professionals and thanking them.
4. Give them a rose or any flower.
5. Give them a certificate of appreciation.
6. Come up with your creative ideas to show them how grateful you are for them.
7. Share your efforts on social media using #NationalSchoolLunchHeroDay and #SchoolLunchHeroDay

**Let's make 2022 the best one ever.... THANK YOU,
for all your hard work and dedication to our students of North Carolina!**

District III Meeting

February 8, 2022

By Amber Sharpe, District III Director

The District III Meeting was held on Tuesday, February 8, 2022, at Hunt High School in Wilson NC. We had 53 School Nutrition professionals from Edgecombe, Halifax, Johnston, Nash, Wake and Wilson Co. in attendance. We were excited to have Gretchen Wilson, Director of Pitt County join us to give a PP&L update. Gretchen was highly informative, and we all gained knowledge to convey forward. Natashia McKeel, Wilson Chapter President and Amber Sharpe, District III Director worked together to present the President's PowerPoint presentation on SNA membership, and upcoming scholarships. They also acknowledged certified and credentialed members that attended the meeting. SNA-NC President Dana Edwards gave her presidential message and welcomed her guest speaker Julie Pittman. Julie Pittman, Educator Engagement Special Advisor to NC Superintendent of Public Instruction at NCDPI was our speaker who shared her own personal story of food insecurities and how school nutrition professionals can influence a child's life, school



system and our communities. The meeting ended with door prizes and a great meal prepared by Cohen Food Service, Malinda Highfill, and Wilson County Managers. Thanks to everyone who attended, we had a great evening.

Congratulations to Heather Perry, SNS

Heather was elected in February to the SNA Board of Directors as the School Nutrition Employee/Manager Representative. She is a Quality Control Manager in Union County and has been an active member of SNA for 16 years. Heather will be installed in July at ANC and will serve under the leadership of the SNA incoming President Lori Adkins, SNS.

*We are proud of you,
Heather!*



New Horizons Trade Show

Wednesday, June 22, 2022

Who Should Attend:

Food Service Professionals (Not Open to the Public)

Tentative Trade Show Hours: 8:30 am – 2:30 pm

Rather than having a Buyer's Morning, we will again this year have attendees stay with their school district while going through the trade show together. Our industry partners and vendors enjoyed speaking to the entire school district at one time last year and requested that we do this again. There will also be taste testing in the trade show this year.

Check out www.schoolnutrition-nc.org for additional Trade Show information and forms. Click on Events tab and then New Horizons Trade Show 2022 tab on left.

Trade Show Etiquette 101:

Get the Best from Your Trade Show Experience

Trade shows are beneficial for both exhibitor and attendees. The show presents an opportunity to show new products and services to a large group of individuals at one time.

We encourage active participation, and desire that you receive the greatest benefit by being both organized and enthusiastic about your experience. Below are a few tips to help you get the biggest benefit from the annual trade show:

- **Rolling Carts** - Remember that rolling carts (well really, any bag, cart or suitcase that has wheels) are not allowed on the show floor for any reason. Space is limited and the amount of electrical cording can be quite overwhelming. Wheeled carts present a tripping hazard for yourself and fellow attendees. Please remember that SNA-NC provides you with an adequate bag for storing your samples.

- **Consumption of Food** – Okay, we get that it's a Food Show; however, it is not an opportunity to fill your home pantry. Accept the provided sample graciously, comment on whether you like it and ask questions if you are interested, however refrain from "wiping" out the booth's contents regardless of whether you like the product or not. Booths are designed to provide a sample of product to each attendee...not an entire case.

- **Tote-bag Etiquette** – Many booths offer their own logo tote bags to promote their organization, and who doesn't love a nice bag? The temptation to fill every bag with every item from every booth, whether you will ever need it or eat it, is real. Remember no action ever goes un-noticed and the attendee next to you that gets "smacked" with your bag(s) every time you turn does not appreciate it one bit! Please be kind and gentle and courteous of others when attending the trade show.

- **Crowd Control and Extras** – Be mindful that the trade show floor is often crowded and hard to navigate. Be courteous to other attendees, use "excuse me, and pardon me, etc." rather than bulldozing your way through the crowd. Also, perhaps the vendor will not comment when you have circled back a half dozen times to sample their product and/or to throw two more dozen donuts into your bag, but don't risk the embarrassment.

- **Thank-You** – Vendors pay to show you their product, just like you pay to visit with them and learn about their services. Also, please don't assume that anything and everything at the vendor's booth is for "the taking." Please ask before you take anything off of the display. Asking and saying "thank you" for the items they provide, the information they share and the suggestion they offer should never be taken for granted. Those are 2 very powerful words and can open the conversation for the benefit of both parties.

We at SNA-NC hope these tips will help you enjoy your visit to the Conference and will help you better maneuver the Trade Show floor. Let your next convention experience be a helpful opportunity to learn, network with peers and grow your School Nutrition program.

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

By Beverly Cash, SNA Membership Chair



Welcome from your SNA-NC Membership Committee! We are back in a big way with the start of our Membership Campaign. This year's theme is "Membership Starts with ME #1 Support SNA." This revamped approach to the Annual Membership Campaign will have 1 (one) randomly selected winner each month from August 2021 through May 2022* Belonging to the School Nutrition Association is not only a wise investment in your program and your career but also for the 30 million children that School Nutrition Professionals serve daily. Our membership campaign approach is based on the idea that we are united for school nutrition, the larger our membership, the stronger our voice. We advocate on behalf of our members and the children we serve.

SNA is leading the way and working to address new changes and regulations while also striving to meet your professional needs by providing member benefits like:

- SNA Training Zone
- Virtual conferences
- Strong advocacy efforts on behalf of School Nutrition programs
- Nationally recognized certificate and credentialing programs
- School Nutrition Magazine
- Scholarships through the School Nutrition Foundation

Membership in SNA is an excellent investment in our future and the future of millions of schoolchildren we serve. Standing united for school nutrition, the larger our membership, the stronger our voice is to advocate for our members and the children we do.

REMEMBER

It's easy! Recruit at least 1 (one) new SNA member during a calendar month between August 1, 2021, and May 31, 2022, and you will automatically be entered into the random prize drawing for the month you recruited.

DON'T FORGET!

Please make sure the new member writes your name in the referral section of the membership application; otherwise, it will not count toward the campaign

100% Membership & 100% Certified Schools

At our 2022 State Annual Conference in June we will honor the 100% Membership and the 100% Certified schools. Schools that are 100% Membership and/or 100% Certified Members will receive an email asking for a photograph(s) of the school staff for a PowerPoint presentation that will show at the beginning of all general sessions during the conference. Please e-mail your digital picture to me by no later than May 1, 2022. We would love to share all of your successes this year!

STAR CLUB

SNA is the strong organization it is today because of members, like you, who recognize the value of SNA membership and dedicate themselves to the association and its mission. The Star Club is a way for SNA to recognize and thank members who recruit and retain SNA members.



Every time a member's name is listed on a new member application as the referrer, that person receives one credit – and an additional credit is earned for every year that member renews.

Chapter of the Year Award

It is that time of the year again! I know everyone has worked hard to keep their local chapter active with activities surrounding these years' trials. For those of you who have been documenting your work, it is time for you to consider entering the Chapter of the Year Award. You will find the criteria for entering in the 2021-2022 Chapter Leadership Manual or on our website, www.schoolnutrition-nc.org. Scrapbook entries must be received by May 1, 2022. Send your Chapter of the Year Scrapbook to Kristen Bealler, 432 4th Avenue SW, Hickory, NC 28602. Questions-Call Kristen at 828-322-2855 x 228.

School Nutrition Association of North Carolina
ACTUAL VS. BUDGET

	Aug '20 - Jun 21	Budget	\$ Over Budget
INCOME			
State Dues	23,226.00	31,000.00	-7,774.00
Sustaining Members	29,800.00	33,000.00	-3,200.00
Annual Meeting	35,677.54	115,000.00	-79,322.46
Trade Show	119,150.00	185,000.00	-65,850.00
Industry Seminar	0.00	0.00	0.00
District 1	300.00	1,000.00	-700.00
District 2	130.00	1,000.00	-870.00
District 3	335.00	1,000.00	-665.00
District 4	225.00	1,000.00	-775.00
District 5	85.00	1,000.00	-915.00
District 6	50.00	1,000.00	-950.00
District 7	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00
District 8	150.00	1,000.00	-850.00
Miscellaneous	170.00		
Interest	25.04	1,000.00	-974.96
Silent Auction	1,325.00	2,500.00	-1,175.00
Tim Greene	0.00	2,500.00	-2,500.00
Special Projects	2,200.00		
NCAH GRANT	0.00	14,250.00	-14,250.00
Total Income	212,848.58	392,250.00	-179,401.42
Expense			
Arrow	20,827.17	36,000.00	-15,172.83
Scholarships	2,500.00	4,000.00	-1,500.00
Office Expenses	6,480.23	9,500.00	-3,019.77
Pins and Certificates	10,910.88	12,000.00	-1,089.12
Web Site	0.00	2,000.00	-2,000.00
Scholarship (Tim Green)	199.00	2,500.00	-2,301.00
President	0.00	200.00	-200.00
President-Elect	0.00	150.00	-150.00
Vice President	0.00	100.00	-100.00
Executive Board Meeting	1,010.17	2,000.00	-989.83
Liability Insurance	2,726.00	3,800.00	-1,074.00
Executive Director	4,571.00	5,500.00	-929.00
SNA Legislative Conference	597.00	5,500.00	-4,903.00
SNA Leadership Conference	403.00	8,000.00	-7,597.00
SNA CNIC	0.00	3,000.00	-3,000.00
SNA Annual Conference	287.00	7,000.00	-6,713.00
SNA-NC Annual Conference	28,984.70	84,000.00	-55,015.30
Strategic Planning Day	0.00	0.00	0.00
Committee Day	0.00	3,500.00	-3,500.00
Trade Show	41,029.97	62,850.00	-21,820.03
SNA-NC Industry Seminar	0.00	0.00	0.00
District Director Orientation	62.00	1,800.00	-1,738.00
Nutrition	0.00	500.00	-500.00

Member Services	0.00	200.00	-200.00
Legislative	451.00	1,300.00	-849.00
Marketing	0.00	400.00	-400.00
District 1	0.00	400.00	-400.00
District 2	0.00	400.00	-400.00
District 3	0.00	400.00	-400.00
District 4	0.00	400.00	-400.00
District 5	0.00	400.00	-400.00
District 6	0.00	400.00	-400.00
District 7	0.00	400.00	-400.00
District 8	0.00	400.00	-400.00
Publicity	500.00	1,000.00	-500.00
Contracted Personnel Salaries <i>(Executive Director, Lobbyist, Bookkeeper, and Parliamentarian)</i>	108,449.92	109,500.00	-1,050.08
Miscellaneous	612.00	750.00	-138.00
Audit & Accounting	3,600.00	3,700.00	-100.00
Silent Auction	0.00	50.00	-50.00
Nova Services Fee	4,376.88	4,000.00	376.88
NCAH GRANT EXPENSE	14,051.26	14,250.00	-198.74
Total Expense	252,629.18	392,250.00	139,620.82
NET INCOME	-39,780.60	0.00	-39,780.60

Mary Long Beasley Award

Many of our veteran members will remember Mary Long Beasley. She was a CN director with Nash/Rocky Mount, Johnston County and Washington City Schools. She served as Assistant Director of the Child Nutrition Service Section, North Carolina Department of Public Instruction. Mary Long has served as President of the North Carolina Food Service Association and lobbied for nutrition programs for children at the state and national levels. She lost a valiant battle with cancer and left a void in our membership that will never be filled. To know Mary Long, was to know school nutrition. Her positive and optimistic outlook was contagious for those who met her. She was dedicated to providing healthy meals to students to promote learning. Her joys of work and child nutrition were evident in all she did.

SNA-NC recognizes members each year that exude the same joy and optimism that was known in Mary Long. Her family (along with a review team) selects a deserving employee, manager, supervisor, and director to receive the coveted Mary Long Beasley Distinguished Service Award. They are looking for the same attributes in members that were exemplified in Mary Long's life.

You know the kind of person who serves our students every day, who works with joy and enthusiasm, who is always bright and cheerful, and who makes a difference in the lives of others. Please take a minute to complete the nomination form (found on our www.schoolnutrition-nc.org website) to recognize a deserving individual for this award. Most of the time, these individuals are behind the scenes and rarely recognized for what they do. You know their value, and you know how much we would appreciate recognizing them at the awards ceremony in June. Thank you for taking the time to recognize a deserving individual in your school system. Every nominee is a winner because they make a difference in the lives of students!



A New Year for Team Building

By: *Imer Smith RD, LDN CN Director Brunswick County Schools*

The Brunswick County Schools school nutrition team met at a local bowling venue in January for a little friendly competition and camaraderie. Smiles, laughs and teambuilding got the ball rolling in the New Year. Go TEAM Go!!!



Pitt County Happenings



Lakeforest Elementary School artwork



100th Day of School at Wintergreen Primary School



Creekside Elementary School celebrates Black History Month

2022 SNIC



Fun Times in Pinehurst



Wanda McDowell is ready to greet attendees. Dr. Seuss hat, face shield, and upside down nametag...Priceless!



Jamie Narron shows the best way to get through a table top show is comfortable shoes.

SNA-NC Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

February 4, 2022 Virtual (ZOOM)

The Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. by *Dana Edwards, President*. The SNA-NC Vision and Mission Statements were read aloud by all in attendance. *Dana Edwards* mentioned that she had sent an email to the voting members of the Board with a Google form to vote for the Industry Representatives. She also added information about her job position change. *Janet Johnson, Vice President* shared the Thought for the Day.

BUSINESS AGENDA

Roll call was completed by *Lorie Reece, Secretary-Treasurer*. A quorum was present.

The February 4, 2022 meeting agenda was adopted by the Board.

A budget update was provided by *Mary Ann Shoaf, Bookkeeper*.

INFORMATION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Gretchen Wilson, Public Policy and Legislation Chair provided legislative updates. Child Nutrition had a big win with the Indirect Cost cut back to an 8% overall cap and a two-month operating balance on hand. This is subject to review and could change in the future. This fall NC will have 170 representatives in the House and Senate who are up for re-election. We need to be aware of the candidates who support our program at election time. The PP&L committee is looking to send out a survey to all directors to get some information for LAC.

Dana Edwards, President reviewed the past SNA-NC Annual Conference Registration Fees and the proposed fees for the 2022 Annual Conference. *Janet Johnson, Vice President* made the motion to accept the proposed 2022 SNA-NC Annual Conference Registration Fees, with a second by *Kristen Bealler, Leadership Development /Awards Chair*. The motion was approved.

Janet Johnson, Vice President provided the SNA-NC Annual Conference Report. There will be some pre-conference sessions offered. Currently, twelve different mini sessions will repeat to give members more opportunities to attend different sessions, including the popular Make It, Take It session. Fun night will return this year in some fashion for the attendees, as well as the Culinary Arts competition.

Dawn Roth, Executive Director and *Robert Rolfe, Industry Advisory Chair* provided the SNA-NC Industry Seminar Report.

Janet Johnson, Vice President reviewed the proposed changes to the Policies and Procedures and the Bylaw changes needed. The items were discussed with board members and the changes were voted upon to present them to the Delegate Assembly in June 2022.

Kristen Bealler, Leadership Development /Awards Chair provided the slate of candidates. A motion to approve the slate of candidates was made by *Janet Johnson, Vice President*, with a second by *Kathy Coble Ross, District 6 Director*. The motion was approved.

Kristen Bealler, Leadership Development /Awards Chair provided the Industry Representative slate of candidates. The voting members of the Board utilized the Google form emailed by *Dana Edwards, President* to vote for the three representatives.

Kristen Bealler, Leadership Development /Awards Chair provided candidates and awards updates. She has put all the scholarship and award forms on the website for easier submission to encourage more members to complete the applications. Some paperwork may still need to be mailed to her. Discussion followed to extend the deadline for the Reginald Ross Inclusion Scholarship Award and the Lynn Harvey First-Timers Scholarship. A motion to extend the deadline for these two scholarships to March 15, 2022 was made by *Kathy Buelin Caudle, District 7 Director*, with a second by *Gretchen Wilson, Public Policy and Legislation Chair*. The motion was approved.

Calendar updates were provided by *Dana Edwards, President* and the due date for articles to be included in the next edition of the Arrow was provided by *Dawn Roth, Executive Director*.

With no further business, *Dana Edwards, President* declared the meeting adjourned at 2:28 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by:
Lorie Reece
SNA-NC Secretary-Treasurer 2021-2023

Welcome New Members - *We welcome each new member.*

The following joined our association in December 2021 through February 2022.

DISTRICT 1

- 15 New Members

1080 Bertie Co SNA

Patricia Raynor
Deborah Williams

1280 Dare Co SNA

Laura Tompkins

1700 Elizabeth City- Pasquotank SNA

Ashley Blacketer
Geroneka Bracey
Kimberly Burke
Jane Chappell
Joyce Hunter
She'Toya McPherson
Brittany Schaniel
Margaret Simmons
1890 Tyrrell Co SNA
Kaheem Dumber
Vicky Liverman
Ericka Reber
Tara Toler

DISTRICT 2

- 59 New Members

2250 Craven Co SNA

Sherline Smith

2310 Duplin Co SNA

Ramona Armwood

Michael Ashley

Patricia Bell

Linda Best

Rita Bostic

Jessie Brinson

Kristy Carr

Shirley Carr

Lisa Casteen

Nolvía Castillo

Patricia Chasten

Katrina Chavis

Pamela Chestnutt

Betsy Cottle

Julie Dixon

Raquel Fonseca

Mary Foss

Paulette Futrell

Viviant Gonzales

Betty Hernandez

Dorothy Herring

Sue Herring

Michelle Holder

Linda Holmes

Sally Hughes

Shelly Hunt

Paula Jackson

Angelia Johnson

Tracy Johnson

Connie Kelly

Melissa Kennedy

Helena Marshburn

Anna McGee

Benae McKinzie

Laura McMillian

Vicki Miller

Shauna Morrisey

Pamela Moutoux

Estella Murphy

Rechelle Newkirk

Glenna Norris

Panda Pike

Linda Rhodie

Barbara Rivenbark

Kellie Smith

Kyshia Sutton

Beverly Taylor

Tracy Thigpen

Brenda Thompson

Georgette Turner

Selena Wadeleigh

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Nancy Whalen

Billie Whaley

Phoebe Willis

Brenda Futrell

2540 Lenoir Co SNA

Na'Kisha Percell

2650 New Hanover Co SNA

Billy Nease

DISTRICT 3

- 19 New Members

3510 Johnston Co SNA

Jennifer Barwick Allen

Annie Bell

Chris Booth

Margarito Escamilla

Amanda Jackson

Jennifer Joyner

Carolyn Lee

Ashlie Mitchell

Marcia Miurray

Kilra Williams

3660 Northampton Co SNA

Jearline Britt

Valarie McGee

Jasman Peele

Margaret Pope

Erika Wheeler

Shacora Whitaker

3920 Wake Co SNA

Jodi Moore

NC Dept of Public Safety

Maria Jones

NC Dept of Agriculture

Tanya Derfler

DISTRICT 4

- 18 New Members

4770 Richmond Co SNA

Brittney Bowman

Janet Broussard

Amy Dawkins

Pattie Fields

Guadalupe Garcia

Lillian Haddin

Connie Harris

Trevor Huneycutt

Ruby Hunter

Dalton Millenm

Carolyn Richardson

Bridgett Williamson

Angelia Harris

Crystal Locklear

Betty Rhyne

Arron Sampson

Shana Seals

Angelia Harris

DISTRICT 5

- 36 New Members

5190 Chatham Co SNA

Rebecca Brown

Meridith Butler

Melinda Chase

Tabitha McCleod

Sydney McNair

Jenny Ni

Kizzy Shoffner

Selena Spencer

5290 Davidson/Lexington/ Thomasville SNA

Tinea Frederick

5681 Chapel Hill- Carboro SNA

Lorene Perry

5760 Randolph Co SNA

Tammy Barca

Ann Bowman

Heather Chavis

Cassie Deaton

Autumn Foust

Hazel Fowler

Susan Gardiner

Ashley Huffines

Brittany Key

Selena Morris

Aubry Morrison

Stephaine Morrison

Megan Phillips

Mauressa Presnell

Crystal Rose

Debra Simmons

Phyllis Simmons

Jennifer Simpson

Kelli Southards

Cassie Spears

Rikki Williamson

Susan Zimmerman

Kathleen Turnas

Amanda Quinn

5850 Stokes Co SNA

Matt Brown

DISTRICT 6

- 4 New Members

6130 Cabarrus Co SNA

Cody Hopkins

Linda Little

Connie Vanover

6840 Stanly Co SNA

Makayla Mabry

DISTRICT 7

- 2 New Members

7060 Avery Co SNA

Melinda Taylor

7180 Catawba/Hickory/ Newton-Conover SNA

Christina Wilson Gwyn

DISTRICT 8

- 4 New Members

8440 Haywood Co SNA

Jessica Kirkpatrick

Tamara Singleton

Karen Jones

Melissa Nelson



NEWLY CERTIFIED MEMBERS

Congratulations to the following members that earned the SNA Certificate during September 2021 through March 2022.

DISTRICT 1

1740 Pitt Co SNA

Lucinda Baker
Ian McMillan
Rachel Ward

DISTRICT 2

2250 Craven Co SNA

Brenda Aent
Dponna McCoy

DISTRICT 4

4090 Bladen Co SNA

Sandra Breeland

FUTURE LEADERS

The SNA Future Leaders Program provides an in-depth leadership experience for future leaders of the School Nutrition Association at SNA's National Leadership Conference.

Future Leaders are given the opportunity 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. The cohort will participate in a psychometric assessment to better understand themselves, understand others, and make the most of the relationships that affect them in the workplace.

Each state affiliate may nominate one individual to this program. Nominees MUST be current SNA members who hold, or aspire to, the SNA Certificate or SNS Credential. Nominees should exhibit the following traits:

- Strong association leadership potential and support of state association/SNA initiatives
- Demonstrated interest in further developing association leadership abilities
- Committed to lifelong learning
- Dedicated to a career in school nutrition

The program is designed for members with leadership potential who are thinking about pursuing leadership opportunities. Individuals who are currently serving on a state board or have formerly held a state board position will not be considered for the program.

Come by and visit the Marketing Committee's table at the SNA-NC Conference in June. We will honor past graduates with a "Future Leaders" button to wear during conference. Feel free to ask them questions about their experience at the SNA Future Leaders Conference.

Guest Room Reservations for SNA-NC Annual Conference and New Horizons Trade Show

The Sheraton has stopped using the reservation room form that you have used in the past. They now take reservations through PassKey. The Sheraton has set up a dedicated website for conference attendees and trade show vendors to book their hotel rooms.

Reservations can be made at this website, <https://book.passkey.com/e/50273139>

The link will also be posted on our SNA-NC website, www.schoolnutrition-nc.org.

**The cut-off date is 5:00pm on May 24, 2022,
so be sure to make your reservations as soon as possible.**

School Nutrition Association of NC Annual Conference Group Registration **School System**
Application Deadline for EARLY BIRD Registration - May 20, 2022. No Refunds

Membership Number Required	First Name	Last Name	First Conference YES?	Title Circle or Write In Required for Name Badge	Total Package \$160.00 EB \$175.00 Reg \$300.00 Non-Member	Will Attend Banquet YES or NO	President's Luncheon \$45.00 EB \$50.00 Reg \$60.00 Non-Members	Chapter Leadership Seminar \$25.00 EB \$25.00	OTHER Trade Show Only \$75.00 EB \$80.00 Reg \$150.00 Non-Member	TOTAL
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				Assistant • Asst. Manager Manager • Supervisor • Director Other _____						
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Mail form and check or money order (Do not send cash) by June 6, 2022 to SNA-NC, 2318 N. Elm Street, Greensboro, NC 27408
 Payment Must Accompany Registration. Make checks payable to SNA-NC (No Refunds)
REGISTER ON-SITE AFTER JUNE 6, 2022. Main Contact Email: _____

**TOTAL
ENCLOSED**

Credit Card Payment: (Please circle one) MASTERCARD VISA AMEX Name on Card _____
 Credit Card Number: _____ Expiration Date: _____ Security Code: _____
 Signature _____ Billing Address: _____ Email for Receipt: _____
 List Name and Special Meal Requirements: (Vegetarian or Gluten Free Only) _____

You may reserve banquet for \$100 each. Number of Tables _____

COUNTRY STORE APPLICATION

Make plans now to have a table in the Country Store during Annual Conference. Your chapter will be able to sell items and raise funds. The fee for a table is \$50.00. Complete the following application and send it along with a \$50 check made payable to SNA-NC to:

Lorie Reece
SNA-NC Secretary-Treasurer
2660 Maiden Hwy.
Lincolnton, NC 28092-7168

Request for Country Store table at Annual Conference:

Chapter Name: _____

Chapter President: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____

E-mail: _____

*There will be a limited number of tables available for the Country Store.
The first six paid chapter applications will receive a table, with only one table permitted per chapter.*

REQUEST FOR ABSENTEE BALLOT

This form must be used when making a request for an Absentee Ballot.

PLEASE BE SURE TO PRINT ALL INFORMATION.

Email (Preferred) or Mail to Chairman of the Tellers

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Membership ID # _____ (Required)

Email _____

SNA-NC District # _____

Chapter Name _____

School District _____

Signature _____

All requests must be post marked on or before May 13, 2022.

Mail to: Chairman of the Tellers
Jessica Hammonds
105 Fawnlilly Place
Garner, NC 27529
Email: jhammonds@wcpss.net

School Nutrition Association of NC Annual Conference Individual Registration Application
June 22-23, 2022 • Greensboro, Koury Convention Center

1. Please complete the information below. Please print or type.

Membership Number: _____ (Find on your membership card)

Circle Title: Assistant Asst. Manager Manager Supervisor Director Guest Other: List Title

First Name: _____ Initial: _____ Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zipcode: _____

Work Phone: _____

Email: _____

2. Early Bird Registration forms (with payment) postmarked on or before May 20, 2022

	EARLY BIRD	REGULAR	
	Member	Member	Non-member
TOTAL PACKAGE CONFERENCE REGISTRATION			
Includes Trade Show, All General Sessions, Educational Mini Sessions and Banquet	_____ \$160.00	_____ \$175.00	_____ \$300.00

Note: The Banquet is Included in the total package but you MUST check the banquet to get a ticket to attend.

Will you attend the Banquet? Yes _____ No _____ Special Meal Requirements: _____

OR *(Vegetarian or Gluten Free Only)*

	Member	Member	Non-member
TRADE SHOW ONLY			
Trade Show Only (Wednesday)*	_____ \$75.00	_____ \$80.00	_____ \$150.00

**(Trade Show is Included with all other registration. This badge only permits entrance to Trade Show.)*

EXTRAS NOT INCLUDED IN PACKAGE OR DAILY REGISTRATION FEES			
President's Luncheon (Thursday)	_____ \$45.00	_____ \$50.00	_____ \$60.00
Guest Banquet Tickets (Thursday Night)	_____ \$75.00	_____ \$80.00	_____ \$80.00
Chapter Leadership Conference (June 18, 2022)	_____ \$25.00	_____ \$25.00	_____ \$75.00

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____ \$ _____ \$ _____

Please answer the following questions:

1. Is this your First Annual SNA-NC Conference? _____ Yes
2. Are you the Chapter President for the 2021-2022 year? _____ Yes

Mail form and check or money order (Do not send cash) by June 6, 2022 to:
 SNA-NC, 2318 N. Elm Street, Greensboro, NC 27408
 (Payment MUST Accompany Registration)
 Make checks payable to School Nutrition Association of NC (No Refunds)
REGISTER ON-SITE AFTER JUNE 6, 2022

Credit Card Payment: (Please circle one) **MASTERCARD** **VISA** **AMEX**

PRINT Name on Card: _____

Credit Card Number: _____ Expiration Date: _____

Signature: _____ Security Code on Card: _____

Billing Address: _____

Email Address for Receipt: _____

Affiliated Chapters and Chapter Presidents for 2021 - 2022

The following is a list of Chapters and their Presidents that have re-affiliated for this year.

DISTRICT 1

Beaufort – Gloria McCullough

Dare – Bobbie Crum

Elizabeth City/Pasquotank – Yolanda Banks

DISTRICT 2

Lenoir – Andre Clark

Onslow – Nicole Glowner

DISTRICT 3

Edgecombe – Carol Lee

Halifax – Patricia Bailey

Johnston – Laura Chavis

Wake – Jessica Jones

Wilson – Natasha McKeel

DISTRICT 4

Cumberland – Donna Macmaster

Hoke – LaTora Davis

Robeson – Sandra Leggett

Scotland – Maudie Parsons

DISTRICT 6

Cabarrus – Jennifer Canup

Lincoln – Veronica Walton

Charlotte-Mecklenburg – Staci Burchfield

Union – Lisa Thompson

DISTRICT 7

Alexander – Tina Pope

DISTRICT 8

Buncombe – Christina Dougherty

Is your chapter missing?

Re-affiliation forms are available at
www.schoolnutrition-nc.org

Email your re-affiliation form to: Dawn Roth
E-mail: jbdfroth@aol.com

Remember to e-mail
a copy of your chapter bylaws to Dawn Roth.

Chapter packets are ONLY emailed to the chapter
presidents who have sent in the 2021-2022
Re-affiliation form.

SNA-NC BALANCE SHEET

as of November 30, 2021

ASSETS

Currents Assets

Checking/Savings

BB&T

\$132,503.45

Small Business (Tim Greene Sch)

\$5,377.98

Wells Fargo BUSINESS CHECKING

\$81,133.89

Wells Fargo Money Market

\$ 28,602.27

Wells Fargo Bus Money Market

\$ 58,058.04

Total Checking/Savings

\$305,675.63

TOTAL Current ASSETS

\$305,675.63

TOTAL ASSETS

\$305,675.63

LIABILITY & EQUITY

Current Liabilities

Accounts Payable

2000 - Accounts Payable

\$-335.90

Total Accounts Payable

\$-335.90

Total Current Liabilities

\$-335.90

Total Liabilities

\$-335.90

Equity

3900 - Retained Earnings

\$309,869.23

Net income

\$-3,857.70

Total Equity

\$306,011.53

TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY

\$305,675.63

Industry Seminar in Pinehurst, NC

By Robert A. Rolfe, Industry Chair

This year's seminar was well attended and brought about great conversations regarding current issues that affect school nutrition and industry relations. Monday afternoon's session began with an introductory talk from Mary-Catherine Talton on supply chain issues and labor shortages. This led to small group discussions that were issue focused. Robert Lund moderated this session and School Nutrition Directors headed up the groups where lively conversations ensued. Thanks to Kelly Green, Denise Lamar, Lisa Payne, Imer Smith and Gretchen Wilson for their group leadership. Also thanks to Penny Fine for her organizational work and Laura Oliver and Eric Longshore for supporting roles. Great networking opportunities were apparent during the evening's social event.

On Tuesday Morning, SNA-NC President Dana Edwards opened the general session. This year's featured speaker was Neil Ihde with his message of "Essential Tools for Challenging Times." Neil offered tips on coping and overcoming the challenges we have all faced over the past two years. Janet Johnson provided an update from DPI and Walter Beal brought us up to date on the latest from NCDA. Walter also presented the second general session going into greater depth about supply chain issues as they affect NCDA and school nutrition. With the support of his key staff members the floor was open to questions from the audience.





Following the lunch break, there were two sessions of “Innovation Stations” allowing for small group presentations from Bakecrafters, Butterball, Dole, Griffin Marketing Group, International Food Solutions, J&J Snack Foods, JTM Food Group, LINQ, Nardone Brothers Pizza, Super Bakery, and Swanson-Girard & Associates.

Wednesday Morning started bright and early with the Golden Opportunity Networking Breakfast. This year’s breakfast was sponsored in part by LINQ, Pilgrim’s and Rich’s Ice Cream.

The morning’s general session was led by Janet Johnson as she offered our “Financial Booster Shot” and promised “No needles or negative side effects”. This was followed by a panel led presentation on the benefits and challenges of running CEP in the schools.

The final day was rounded out with a well-attended Table Top exhibit event offering the opportunity of one-on-one discussion with our industry partners. All-in all this year’s event was a welcome and very successful production.

I want to thank everyone who made this event a success, especially Dawn Roth, and many thanks to our industry sponsors that make it all possible. Platinum Sponsors-NCDA & CS, Walter Beal, Silver Sponsors-Griffin Marketing Group,

Clint Robins, JTM Food Group, Nick Hofmeier and Kellogg’s, Trish Ivey, Bronze Sponsors-Palmer Hamilton, Kneeland Wright and Peterson Farms Fresh, Robert Lund.

I look forward to seeing all my colleagues again for the next Industry Seminar in 2024. Take care.



Thank you to our 2022 SNA-NC Industry Seminar Sponsors

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LINQ
Pilgrims
Rich's



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The following Sustaining Members are an important part of our Association. Please invite them to your district and chapter meetings and let them know how much you appreciate their services and products.



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NATIONAL AND STATE NEW MEMBER APPLICATION

Member ID _____

① Have you ever been a SNA member? Yes No

② First Name _____ Last Name _____

③ Email _____ Job Title _____

④ School District _____ ⑤ School Name _____ ⑥ Chapter No. _____

⑦ Work Phone _____ Home Phone _____

⑧ Work Mailing Address (Please indicate preferred mailing address Work Home)
 Address _____ Suite _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____

⑨ Home Mailing Address
 Address _____ Suite/Apt _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____

⑩ Who referred you to SNA? First Name _____ Last Name _____ (Optional) Member ID: _____

⑪ Membership Category (Check either individual membership or school district/state agency membership (SDM). See back for description)

National Dues

Member Categories	Individual Membership	School District/ State Agency Membership
SN Employee	\$36 <input type="checkbox"/>	\$36 <input type="checkbox"/>
Student	\$36 <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A
Retired	\$36 <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A
SN Manager	\$38 <input type="checkbox"/>	\$38 <input type="checkbox"/>
District Director/Supv/Spec	\$130 <input type="checkbox"/>	\$130 <input type="checkbox"/>
Major City Director/Supv/Spec	\$130 <input type="checkbox"/>	\$130 <input type="checkbox"/>
State Agency Director and Staff	\$130 <input type="checkbox"/>	\$130 <input type="checkbox"/>
Nutrition Educator	\$130 <input type="checkbox"/>	\$130 <input type="checkbox"/>
Other	\$130 <input type="checkbox"/>	\$130 <input type="checkbox"/>
Affiliate Employee	\$18 <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A
Affiliate Retired	\$18 <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A

⑫ Employed by? Public School Private Management Company
 Private School CACFP

⑬ Does your employer pay your dues? Yes No

⑭ Are you responsible for school nutrition operations in your school district? Yes No

National, State Dues and Processing Fee are required.

NC ⑮ NATIONAL DUES \$ [] [] [] . [] []
 ⑯ STATE DUES* \$ [] [] [] . [] []
 ⑰ PROCESSING FEE \$ [] [] 2 . 5 0
 ⑱ TOTAL DUES \$ [] [] [] . [] []
 ⑲ Tax-deductible contribution to SN Foundation \$ [] [] [] . [] []
 \$10 \$25 \$50 Other
 ⑳ TOTAL PAYMENT \$ [] [] [] . [] []

⑯ Your STATE DUES are: (Record state dues in the space provided on right) * Select one.

\$5.50 STU/RET/AFR/AFE/
 \$11.50 SNM/

\$7.50 SNE/
 \$18.50 SDS/OTH/MCD/EDU/DDS/

⑳ CREDIT CARD INFO: EXP. DATE _____
 # _____

㉑ Individual Membership Signature _____ Date _____

For SDM multiple applicants, you may use a spreadsheet found at www.schoolnutrition.org/sdm.

See reverse side for important information.

Dues subject to change.

㉒ FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP (SDM) ONLY

SDM Main Contact Name _____

(Optional) SDM Main Contact Member ID _____

Email _____

Business Phone Number _____

Return this form with your credit card information, or your check or money order made out to SNA.
 Mail application to SNA Depository, PO Box 719297, Philadelphia, PA 19171-9297.

SNA National and State Membership Application Guidelines

Membership Application for Individual and School District Memberships.

Instructions for completing the front of this application:

1. Please indicate if you have ever been a SNA member.
2. Print your full name as you would like it to appear in your membership record and on your membership card.
3. Print your email address and job title. All SNA members automatically receive emailed information related to the organization.
4. Print your current school district.
5. Print your current school name.
6. If you know your local chapter number, please fill in.
7. Print your work and home phone number.
8. Print your work mailing address.
9. Print your home mailing address.
10. Print full name of member referrer who introduced you to SNA (only needed for new members). This will give the person credits for Star Club and annual membership campaign drives. Optional: Include referrer's SNA member ID.
11. Please review the membership categories listed. Check one that best describes your position. **School District/State Agency Membership (SDM) is a membership managed or coordinated by the school district/state agency and can be transferred to another individual in the same membership category. Please check with your district to see if you are eligible for SDM.**
12. Please check if you are employed by public school, private school, or private management company.
13. Please indicate if your employer pays your dues.
14. Please indicate if you are responsible for school nutrition operations in your school district.
15. Record your national dues based on membership category checked.
16. Record your state dues based on the dues listed on left side of application under "Your state dues are:"
17. All applications must include the processing fee.
18. Please add national, state dues and processing fee amounts. This is the total dues amount to be paid. Applications with incorrect total amount will be returned resulting in a delay of member benefits.
19. Record your optional contribution to the School Nutrition Foundation. The School Nutrition Foundation is a 501(c)(3) organization and donations are tax deductible. Your contribution of \$10 or more will be acknowledged by the School Nutrition Foundation.
20. Add national dues, state dues, processing fee and any optional contributions. This is the total payment.
21. If paying by credit card, please enter your credit card information.
22. This box must be completed for SDM applicants.
23. Please sign and date your completed application. Required for individual membership only. Mail your application and payment to SNA, PO Box 759297, Baltimore, MD 21275-9297.

Membership dues cover a full year of benefits. Processing of application takes approximately two to four weeks from receipt of payment. New members will be mailed a membership card about two weeks after application has been completely processed.

Dues Category	Membership Category	Description	Individual Membership	School District/State Agency Membership
SNE	School Nutrition Employee	Cooks, chefs, bakers, bookkeepers, technicians, assistants, etc.	\$36	\$36
STU	Student	Full-time students enrolled in post-secondary nutrition, health or other food related program. Does not include right to vote.	\$36	N/A
RET	Retired	Retired Members.	\$36	N/A
SNM	School Nutrition Manager	Managers, head cooks, head chefs, assistant managers.	\$38	\$38
DDS	School Nutrition Director, Supervisors, Specialist, Executive Chefs	Working in a school nutrition program at the school district level.	\$130	\$130
MCD	School Nutrition Director, Supervisor, Specialist (Major City)	Working in a school nutrition program where the school district enrollment is 40,000 or more or city population is 200,000 or more.	\$130	\$130
SDS	State Agency Director, Supervisor, Specialist	Working in state office for child nutrition programs, including nutrition education.	\$130	\$130
EDU	School Nutrition Educator	Faculty working in a college/university setting.	\$130	\$130
OTH	Other	Principals, Superintendents, Teachers, etc. Does not include right to vote.	\$130	\$130
AFE	Affiliate Part-Time Staff (less than 4 hours daily)	Optional membership category for retired or part-time school nutrition staff. Does not include a subscription to SN magazine or the right to vote in the annual SNA election.	\$18	N/A
AFR	Affiliate Retired		\$18	N/A

Note: Contributions or gifts to SNA are not deductible as charitable contributions for federal income tax purposes. Contributions to the Foundation are deductible for IRS purposes. \$2.00 of your national dues is used for your subscription to the SN magazine.

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