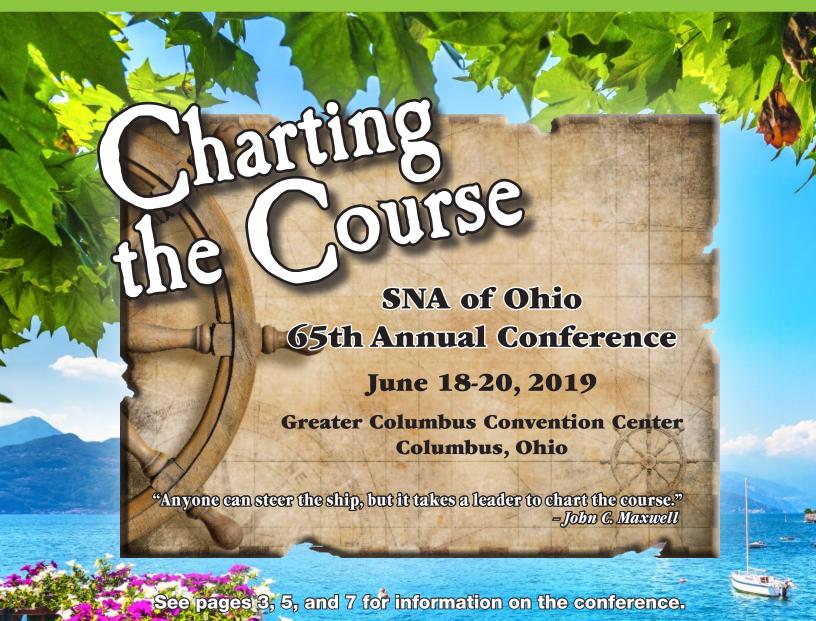


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President's Message

by Chris Burkhardt, President, SNA of Ohio



It has been a busy few months in the world of school nutrition. Over 20 School Nutrition Professionals from Ohio descended on Washington DC

for the annual Legislative Action Conference. This conference proved to be extra special as the Secretary of Agriculture was there to proclaim his fondness for the hard work we do daily and how he realizes we need common sense reform and flexibilities to meet the needs of the students we serve.

Secretary Perdue announced two initiatives to help ease some of the burdens we face. The first is allowing state offices to opt in for a 5 year review cycle. This would replace the current 3 year cycle that proved to burdensome for most of the country. The other is flexibility in hiring School Nutrition staff within the professional standards. Both initiatives were greeted by a standing ovation.

These flexibilities are among a string of policies since Secretary Perdue took over. It is fair to say that while the loosening of the regulations lessens some of the burdens on School Nutrition professionals, many will stay the course. Yes, a select few rushed out to rebid items but overall

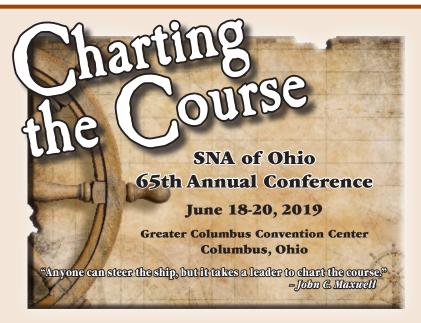
the changes will be phased in quietly and only when necessary.

From milk regulations to whole grains, directors across the country are now being given a chance to make some common sense changes. Non-whole grain biscuits, pasta, crackers, tortillas are among the first items to find their way back to school kitchens. Again, many will stay the course.

As we look toward the next few months, I would like to recognize those in our industry who helped transform the food landscape since 2010. Simply compare whole grain products from 2011 to 2019 and you will understand how far we have come in such a relatively short time. Manufacturers somehow found a way to reduce sodium while keeping taste intact. Kudos to those who helped us transform our program. We did not know what was possible.

I leave you with a reflection of our School Nutrition program over the past decade. The regulations came yet we still served nutritious meals to our students. We made it work. We found creative solutions to the problems we faced. As the landscape looks as though we will continue to receive flexibilities, never forget that we TOGETHER will find solutions to whatever stands in our way.

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Are you ready to take the lead and chart your course for your program?

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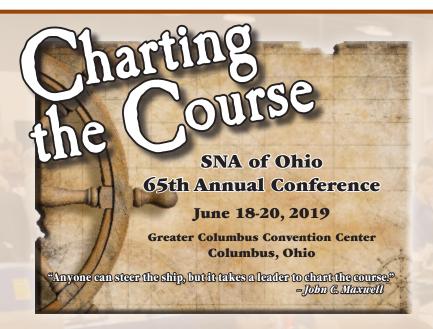
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Parking Options

Valet at Hyatt Regency Columbus (connected to the convention center)

- · Recommended for Hyatt Regency overnight guests only.
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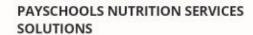
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How to Participate in the Challenge

All schools offering the School Breakfast Program can participate in the Ohio School Breakfast Challenge by submitting breakfast participation data from **February 1 – March 29, 2019.**

Recognizing Your Efforts

There is no need to sign up for the Challenge. School food authorities will receive an email the last week of March 2019 to report the total breakfast meals served, serving days and enrollment. Schools planning to participate must report breakfast data by **April 19, 2019**.

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CHAPTER 31

Chapter 31 had a meeting on February 28th at Wyoming High School. There was a "scratch" cooking contest to show off everyone's inspiration, creativity and skills. These recipes had to be school friendly. They also voted on a new Secretary/ Treasurer at this meeting.

SNAP

The last SNAP meeting was held in October at Commercial Parts and Service where the members learned about taking their combi cooking to the next level. The next meeting in scheduled for February and the members will hear from and sample items from several brokers, giving their input of what they are looking for next school year!

SNAC Bites

SNA Election 2019: The Voters Have Spoken

Members of SNA have spoken, casting their ballots in the annual election for the Association's top leadership positions. The winning candidates for the Board of Directors will be installed this summer during SNA's Annual National Conference (ANC) in St. Louis, Mo., and will serve under the leadership of incoming President Doug Davis, SNS. The elected Leadership Development Committee members begin their term March 1, 2019 to align with the nomination and election cycle, under the leadership of Chair Dr. Lynn Harvey. The Industry Advisory Council Chair's term begins August 1, 2019. SNA congratulates the following candidates on their election to the SNA Board of Directors, Leadership Development Committee and Industry Advisory Council, and thanks all the candidates for their enthusiasm and commitment to serve the national Association.

Thank you Industry Members!

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Legislative Action Conference

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Legislative Action Conference is a favorite event for many SNA of Ohio members. We get to enhance the efforts that SNA Lobbyists work on all year long. It is exciting to have meaningful conversations with our congress people about how our operations help our students and provide jobs in our communities. On February 26th, 2019 our group of delegates from schools and industry partners in Ohio hit Capitol Hill to discuss the SNA Issue Paper which included many pertinent topics that could have very beneficial impacts for our operations. We left each congress person with a plaque for their office and samples of Eshleman Farms apples grown in Ohio.

- Continue and increase USDA Foods (commodities) support for the School Breakfast Program (SBP). The FY 2019 Agriculture Appropriations Bill contains \$20 million for breakfast commodities.
- Support USDA's ongoing effort to simplify child nutrition programs.
 - (AR) Cycle for School Food Authorities (SFAs) that consistently operate in compliance.
 - Encourage USDA to modify the Smart Snacks in School rule to allow all menu items that are permitted to be served as part of a reimbursable meal to be sold at any time a la carte.
- Urge USDA and the US Department of Education, in collaboration with SFAs, to develop best practices and guidance to ensure school schedules provide students adequate time to eat healthy school meals.
- Oppose any effort to block grant school meal programs.

Thank you to the following people who were able to CHARGE THE HILL this year!! Our group included 7 first-timers!!

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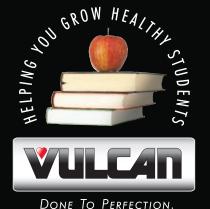
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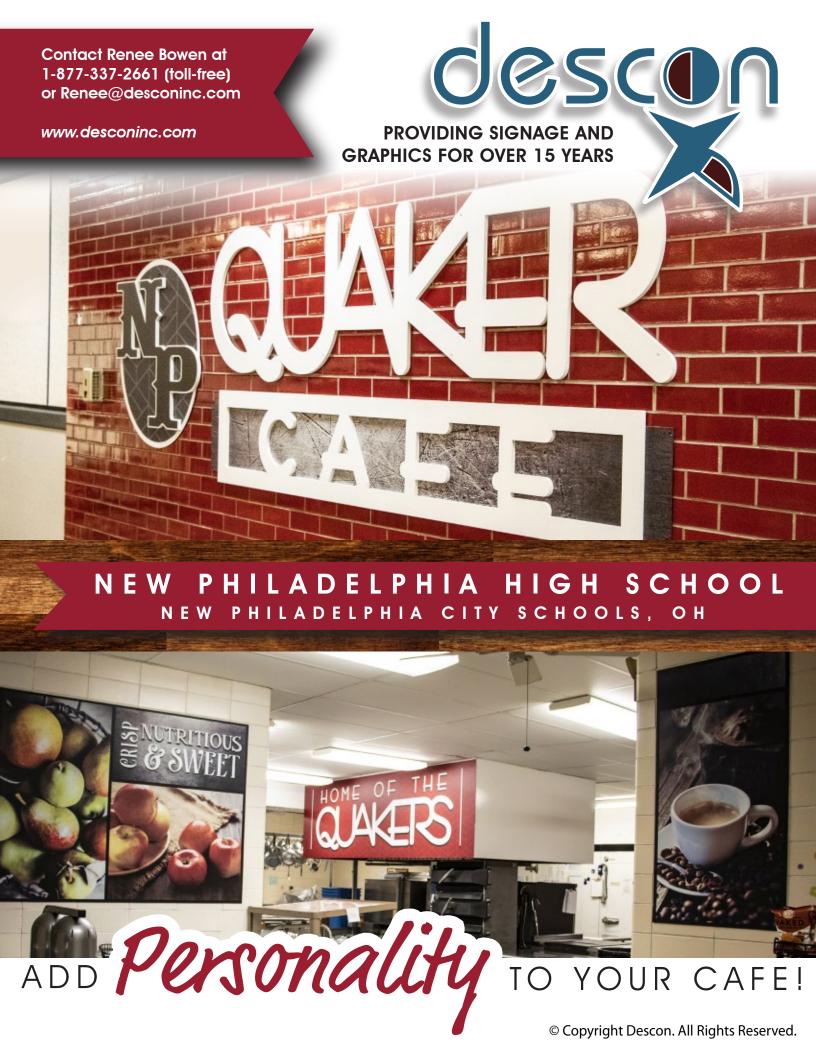


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Upcoming Events

- This year's Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) summit was on February 12, at the Mid-Ohio Food Bank in Grove City, Ohio. The event featured panel presentations and discussions focused to increase participation and reach children in need through a variety of strategies. Breakout sessions were offered to help Ohio's SFSP improve and expand its reach and services and introduce first-timers to the benefits of the program.
- The Ohio Department of Education will join the Ohio Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics (Ohio AAP) for the Food Insecurity Summit on Wednesday, Feb. 27, from 1:00 - 3:30 p.m. at the Ohio Department of Health, 246 N. High Street, Columbus, Ohio, 43215.

The Food Insecurity Summit brings together a statewide group of child health and wellness professionals to discuss and act on important topics impacting the lives of children. Join a group of doctors, nurses, family organization representatives, social service professionals, industry, and policy experts. Together, we will address challenges using a diverse and interdisciplinary approach to collaborate on ways to innovate and expand awareness about food insecurity, determine how to identify and assist at-risk families and those experiencing food insecurity, and pinpoint opportunities for breaking barriers through new actions or partnerships.

Training Calendar

Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) Application and Compliance Training

- April 3 and 29 at the Ohio Department of Agriculture, 8995 E. Main Street, Reynoldsburg, Ohio, 43068
- May 15 and 28 at the Ohio Fire Academy, 8895 E.
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National School Lunch Program (NSLP) Basic Training

 March 22 and May 24 at the Ohio Department of Agriculture, 8995 E. Main Street, Reynoldsburg, Ohio, 43068

NSLP Administrative Review Training

- February 21 at the Ohio Fire Academy, 8895 E. Main Street, Reynoldsburg, Ohio, 43068
- March 6 at the Ohio Department of Agriculture, 8995
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2019 Nutrition and Wellness Training and Vendor Show: This year's training and vendor show is set for July 29 at the Greater Columbus Convention Center, 400 N. High St., Columbus, Ohio. The event features panel presentations from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Ohio Department of Education and other community partners. Breakout sessions will be offered to help Child nutrition program participants improve and expand their reach and services, and introduce first-timers to the benefits of the program.

Reporting

The Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) annual reporting is due Friday, April 12. All school food authorities, excluding Residential Child Care Institutions (RCCI), must report by participating building, enrollment and the number of students categorically eligible for free meals in the Claims Reimbursement and Reporting System (CRRS) regardless of interest in CEP. Categorically eligible includes children approved for free meals based on direct certification or extension of direct certification benefits, homeless, migrant and runaway children, and foster children deemed free eligible through court documentation (not submission of a free or reducedprice meal application). Starting the week of March 11, reporting process steps will be published in the weekly items of interest emails.

School Food Authorities (SFA) newly electing or establishing new base year for CEP for school year 2019-2020 must do so in the CRRS by Sunday, June 30. No late elections are permitted for school year 2019-2020. The CRRS 2019-2020 application will open around April 1. Starting the week of March 25, instructions for electing CEP in the 2019-2020 CRRS application will be published in the weekly items of interest emails.

Applications

The Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) application is now open in the Claims Reporting and Reimbursement System (CRRS). Schools, public agencies and private nonprofit organizations may apply to sponsor the program.

The Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) ensures that low-income children continue to receive nutritious meals when school is not in session. All children ages 1 through 18 are eligible to receive free meals during the summer months at participating program sites.

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The SFSP provides sponsoring agencies reimbursement for nutritious meals and snacks at sites that meet eligibility requirements when school is not in session.

Opportunities

2019 Ohio School Climate State Grant for the 2019-2020 school year is now open. The program is a competitive grant that enables the Department to provide financial assistance to implement Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) frameworks and evidence- or research-based social and emotional learning initiatives in eligible buildings.

By increasing the number of districts trained to implement PBIS and other social-emotional learning initiatives, the Department strives to decrease discipline incidents that result in suspension or expulsion of students in kindergarten through grade 3. The grant

prioritizes school buildings with an economically disadvantaged rate above the state average and school buildings with high out-of-school suspension rates.

The application window opens in the Department's e-grant system, the Comprehensive Continuous Improvement Plan (CCIP), on Feb. 21 and closes March 21 at 4:59 p.m. Grantees will be notified of awards in April 2019.

More information about the grant, applicant eligibility and application details are <u>available here</u>.

We appreciate the opportunity to communicate with you about child nutrition programs as we work together to feed more children in Ohio.

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- 2019 SNA National Leadership Conference May 9-11 Sarasota, FL
- 2019 School Lunch Hero Day May 3rd
- 2019 SNA of Ohio Annual Conference June 18-20 Columbus, OH
- 2019 Annual National Conference (ANC) July 14-16 St. Louis, MO

SNAC Bites

Meet Me in St. Louis: ANC 2019 Sneak Peek

We can't wait to meet you in St. Louis for the <u>73rd Annual National Conference</u> July 14-16, 2019! Check your March issue of *School Nutrition* for a sneak peek of #ANC19—featuring <u>inspiring keynote speakers</u>, expanded <u>preconference workshops</u>, 120+ <u>education sessions</u>, and 875+ <u>exhibitors</u>. Take note of the new <u>3-day schedule</u> for 2019 allowing you less time away from home and work! The conference runs from Sunday July 14 through Tuesday July 16, with pre-conference workshops on Saturday, July 13.

Introducing SNA's New Procurement Zone!

As part of SNA's ongoing efforts to help school nutrition professionals on a path to continuous improvement in procurement practices, SNA has launched the <u>Procurement Zone (www.schoolnutrition.org/Procurement)</u>, as part of its new <u>SNA Learning Center (www.schoolnutrition.org/LearningCenter)</u>.

The Procurement Zone offers user-friendly resources available to SNA members including procurement do's and don'ts, procurement regulations, procurement and administrative review preparations, understanding the Buy American provision and more. You'll also find templates from state agencies across the country and a primer designed to help school business officials understand the nuances of school nutrition procurement.

The goal of the new Procurement Zone is to help you feel more confident in this complex part of school nutrition. The resources available will help you manage effective, fair, transparent and competitive procurement practices. Check it out today at www.schoolnutrition.org/Procurement!

Read the Latest JCN&M: Can Lunch Period Duration Affect Nutrient Consumption?

As part of new research released in the *Journal of Child Nutrition & Management*, the impact of the length of school lunch periods on nutrient consumption was studied. The goal of the study was to determine whether time available for lunch impacted consumption of school meal items, particularly nutrients typically under-consumed such as vitamins A and C, fiber and calcium. <u>Learn more</u>.

Submit Your Research on Special Diets!

Special diets are a hot topic of debate in lunchroom and school nutrition departments. For the upcoming Fall 2019 edition of *Journal of Child Nutrition & Management*, the issue will be themed with this interesting topic in mind. Consider sharing strategies, research, tips or stories from your own experiences. Submission deadline is May 15, 2019. <u>Learn more</u>.









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