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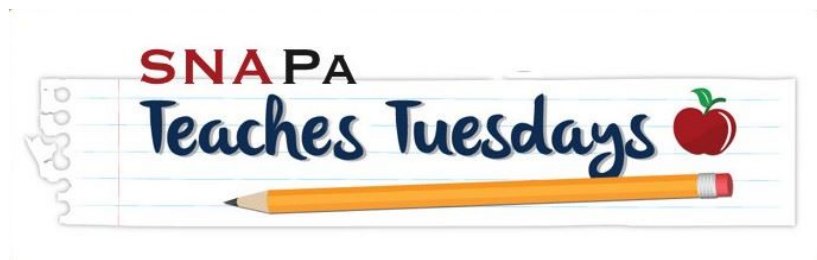
MONDAY MORNING NEWSLETTER



NATIONAL FARM to SCHOOL MONTH



October is National Farm to School Month! National Farm to School Network has developed resources and activities to promote Farm to School Month in schools, early care and education settings, communities and media outlets. Click [HERE](#) for more resources!



SNAPA is excited to announce that we will be hosting our first Teaches Tuesdays webinar of the school year on Tuesday, October 12th, from 2-3pm. Join us as we hear from our friends at Primero Edge on utilizing and mastering online production records. [REGISTER HERE!](#)

Teaches Tuesdays
Tuesday, October 12, 2:00-3:00pm
Mastering Online Production Records
Primero Edge

LEAD to Succeed™ Module 2 Launches

This latest LEAD to Succeed™ training was designed specifically for school nutrition professionals to help you communicate effectively with all stakeholders about the quality, benefits, and safety of your school meals. Module 2: EDUCATE & Engage Your Customer with Strategic Communication is now live in SNA's Training Zone.



2021 SNAPA Food Shows

Registration for this year's food shows is free for all active SNAPA members. To register for this year's shows, register through the SNAPA website [HERE](#).

B&I Partners: We hope to see you at this year's food shows! For more information and to register click [HERE](#).

Tuesday, November 2, 2021

Ridley High School
901 Morton Ave.
Folsom, PA 19033
10am-2pm

Monday, November 15, 2021

Blair County Convention Center
1 Convention Center Dr.
Altoona, PA 16602
10am-2pm

USDA Will Provide \$1.5 Billion to Address School Meal Supply Chain Disruption

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) announced it will provide up to \$1.5 billion in assistance to help schools respond to supply chain disruptions.

These funds will:

- support procurement of agricultural commodities and
- enable USDA's Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) and Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) to enhance school nutrition professionals' ability to provide students with reliable access to healthy meals.

To read more updates [visit FRAC.](#)

#NSLW21

Walk on the wild side this October with National School Lunch Week 2021! The resources to celebrate can be found in the toolkit! Check out recipes, flyers, and gear for your lunch menus! Grab a jungle vine and get ready to swing into action! [Request graphics and art today!](#)



LunchAssist Virtual Series

Connect with colleagues and friends from school nutrition programs across the nation with "The LunchHour". [Join LunchAssist](#) on the second Thursday of each month at 1:30 PM during School Year 2021-22. They will discuss important policy updates, best practices, and strategies for elevating our meal service programs.

While your cruising the site, visit [here](#) to find 11 Tips for Staffing Shortages & Supply Chain Disruptions or [How to Use Emergency Procurement.](#)

The
Lunch
Hour

Schools Scramble to Feed Students

Schools across the country are offering less healthy lunch options as they struggle with dwindling supplies, delayed shipments and fewer cafeteria workers. The issue stems from a confluence of events, much of it tied to the pandemic. The Agriculture Department has issued a slate of waivers giving schools more flexibility to meet federal nutritional guidelines.

For more information visit the [article](#) by New York Times.

IN THE NEWS

[SNA urges USDA to ease school meal requirements](#)

[Food supply shortages hit school districts across Allegheny County](#)

[Gates Foundation pledges \\$922M to address global malnutrition, targeting women and kids](#)

[Supply chain issues, labor shortages make serving school lunches a struggle](#)

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