MONDAY MORNING NEWSLETTER



Take Action!

Even after last week's announcement, it is still important to urge the Senate to support the Build Back Better Act (BBBA) with the child nutrition and anti-poverty provisions intact. Call and email your Senators. Make clear the impact BBBA provisions will have in Pennsylvania. Share stories to drive home those impacts. Learn more from the Food Research & Action Center (FRAC) HERE.

Tag @FRACtweets and your Members of Congress. Check out the sample tweets <u>here!</u>



ACTION ALERT

USDA Policy Memo

The U.S. Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition Service published the policy memo Allocation of Supply Chain Assistance Funds to Alleviate Supply Chain Disruptions in the School Meal Programs with attached Q&A guidance.

The Pennsylvania Department of Education, Division of Food & Nutrition is currently working through the logistics of this monetary allocation and will issue guidance to sponsors of the School Nutrition Programs once more information is available.

Read the memo here.

Tis the Season for the School Nutrition Industry Conference

It's almost January and you know what that means! Join SNA January 16-18 for the School Nutrition Industry Conference. Head to San Antonio, Texas for three unforgettable days of reconnecting and recharging as we gather together to lead the way for school nutrition in the new normal. Can't make it?

Join the conference virtually!

Click here for more information and to register.

Legislative Action Conference

Don't forget to register for the 2022 Legislative Action Conference, March 6-8, 2022, at the J.W. Marriott in Washington, D.C. The early bird deadline is January 7, 2022! Learn more HERE.



HAPPY NEW YEAR!

SNF Equipment Grants

Apply now for the 2022 SNF Equipment Grant Program, featuring these five grants:

- The Winston Equipment Grant
- The Vulcan Equipment Grant
- The Hobart Equipment Grant
- The Food Warming Equipment (FWE)
 Equipment Grant
- The Collection Equipment Grant

The deadline for the SNF Common application is **January 31, 2022, at 11:59 pm EST.** Click HERE for more information

Thank You Partners!









Share Supply Issues



SNA shares in this <u>video</u> what parents need to know about supply chain issues and their current impact on school meals.

School Meals Shortage Impact

Pittsburgh Public Schools won't provide meal pickups for families during winter break as it did last year with outside donations. Workforce shortages and disruptions in the supply chain are exhausting the district's food services department.



Read what SNAPA Member Curtistine Walker had to say about the shortages.

In The News

<u>USDA</u> announces \$1.5 billion to aid schools rocked by inflation, supply chain disruptions

FRAC Applauds USDA for New Investments in School Meals Amid Recent Supply Chain Disruptions

<u>Hunger lingers for millions of underemployed, low-income Americans</u>

Families with Children Who Did Not Receive Free or Reduced Price Meals at School Due to COVID-19 to Receive Food Benefits