

## Monday Morning SNAPA Newsletter

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Monday Morning is the bi-weekly School Nutrition Association of Pennsylvania newsletter that keeps our members up to date with member professional growth and advocacy opportunities!

### SNAPA Announces 2020 State Award Winners





#### Director of the Year

Congratulations to Curtistine Walker, Director of Food Service for the Pittsburgh Public Schools. Curtistine has been in the school food service industry since 1994, working her way up with tremendous passion and unwavering dedication to her profession.

Curtistine has had many accolades throughout her career. Here are just a few:

- Piloting CEP in Pittsburgh schools resulting in feeding many
   Pittsburgh students at no cost and paving the way for other districts to use CEP in their programs.
- Increased and sustained breakfast participation providing students with a healthy start to their day...everyday!
- Awesome CACFP programs that create ways to get food to students in afterschool and community programs that may not otherwise have access to healthy meals.
- Commitment to leadership and SNA professional development that allows others to learn from her leadership and guidance.
- Community involvement at various levels including the Crystal Apple Award, providing a great deal of support to the community.
- Extensive Summer Food Service Program that provide access to school meals all year long to our most vulnerable population.

We are so proud to call you leader, friend, and colleague! Congratulations Curtistine!

## SCHOOL NUTRITION ASSOCIATION OF PENNSYLVANIA

#### 2020 Manager of the Year Award

Congratulations to Amber Underdown, Cafeteria Manager of the Upper Bucks County Technical School. SNAPA would like to highlight many of your unique and outstanding work qualities including:



- Increasing lunch participation
- Creative meal planning and preparation including many "from scratch"
- Try it Tuesday marketing plan along with other great marketing strategies such as fundraisers, holiday meals and a Super Bowl themed menul
- · Training and mentoring others
- · Creating a team mentality with your coworkers
- Encouraging students to apply for association scholarships
- Attending and presenting at your local chapter meetings
- Developing, training, and working in the school food truck

SNAPA is so proud of your hard work and dedication to the students at UBCTS. Thank you Amber!



# Pennsylvania Harvest of the Month Program



The Pennsylvania Department of Education, Division of Food and Nutrition in collaboration with Penn State (Project PA) is introducing a Pennsylvania Harvest of the Month Program for school year 2020–21. A calendar of PA–produced items was developed through conversations with produce suppliers and school food service directors. Promotional materials including posters, fact sheets, newsletters, and signage will be available for use in promoting the items.

Join us for this webinar to learn about the Pennsylvania Harvest of the Month Program. You will hear from three school food

service directors who pilot-tested the Program in their schools earlier this year. You will also learn about the materials that will be available through the Harvest of the Month Program and ways you can implement the Program in your own schools.

This webinar is being offered by the Pennsylvania Department of Education, Division of Food and Nutrition, in collaboration with Penn State (Project PA). This project is funded by a 2019 USDA Farm to School grant. If you are not able to attend the live webinar, you will be able to find the recording on the Project PA website afterward. Professional standards credit for 1.25 hours can be counted for attending or viewing this webinar.

## **Wednesday** June 10, 2020 1:00<sup>pm</sup> - 2:15<sup>pm</sup>

#### How to join this webinar:

Approximately 15 minutes before the start of the webinar:

- Click on, copy/paste, or type (into your web browser) the webinar link below.

  Go to: https://psu.zoom.us/j/96824335499 (Meeting ID: 968 2433 5499)
- [7] If Zoom application is installed on your computer already, you will be directed to the meetings' login via the Zoom application.
- If Zoom application is not detected as installed, the "Zoom Launcher" download link will appear.
  - a). Click on this link to initialize download.
  - b). Navigate to your computer's download folder. Click on the "zoomusInstaller.zip" file to begin the install process. Note some web browsers will automatically begin the application install procedure.
  - c). After installation is complete, you will be forwarded to the Zoom Meeting login page via the Zoom application.

Please make sure your computer audio is turned on.

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Edward J. **Schindel** Scholarship

CLICK HERE TO APPLY ONLINE FOR THE EDWARD J. SCHINDEL AWARD

CLICK HERE TO DOWNLOAD THE EDWARD J. SCHINDEL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

**ATTENTION: SNAPA UPDATED COVID** 19 PAGE **CLICK HERE** 



- **SEE THE ADDED RESOURCES** FOR OUR MEMBERS
  - CDC LINK TO SCHOOLS **AND COMMUNITIES**
- **B&IUPDATED RESOURCES** 
  - GREAT RESOURCES FOR **OPERATORS!**

Bensalem School District wins Randell breakfast cart! Take a look at this unique serving cart!



### **Center for Disease Control** (CDC) Webinar Series

Infection Prevention and Control Recommendations plus other useful webinars.

- Click here to view relevant webinars
- Click here to view the CDC webpage with valuable schools and community recommendations.

# **CDC Recommendations for Reopening Schools**



(Bo Amstrup/Getty Images)

The CDC has released draft guidance to the White House to allow schools, restaurants and other businesses to safely reopen. The

draft guidance, for example, recommends students' desks be placed six feet apart, field trips and assemblies be canceled, and students eat lunch in their classrooms instead of the cafeteria.

Full Story: The New York Times (tiered

subscription model) (4/28)

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# Facebook "Hit Me with Your Best Shot" Photo Campaign

Recognize your school lunch heroes on our Facebook Page!

Click here to download the campaign flyer!



Email photos and description to Executivedirector@snapa.org



COVID 19 emergency school nutrition funding opportunity.

Click here to learn more.



#### **SNA WEBINARS**

Wednesday, May 19, 2020

2:00 PM

Taking a Fresh Look at Community Eligibility

Click Here to Register

Wednesday, May 20, 2020

2:00 PM

COVID-19's Impact on School Nutrition: Emerging Best Practices and Preliminary Research Findings

**Click Here to Register** 

# NEED SCHOOL MEAL PLASTIC BAGS FOR GRAB & GO MEALS?

Howie's Hockey Tape has changed their production of athletic tape to plastic bags. These bags were previous produced for ice packs for athletes and they work relay well for school meals! Click here for order information!

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3-4 weeks lead time.
Click here for more information.