



Serving on the SNA Board of Directors

Benefits Your School District!

When a school nutrition professional from your district serves as a national officer, Board Director or member of the Leadership Development Committee of the School Nutrition Association (SNA), there are tremendous benefits for the district.

Leadership participation in a national professional association helps employees improve their skills and stay on the cutting edge of information in their profession. They use these opportunities to be better managers of the challenges and opportunities in their district. We have seen professionals succeed in their national responsibilities in exciting ways that have brought multiple benefits to the district.

BENEFITS TO THE DISTRICT:

- Best practices in school nutrition from around the country are brought back to the district
- National attention is brought to the district as many of the school nutrition professionals interact with the media and national allied organizations.
- District programs and accomplishments often receive national recognition.

BENEFITS TO THE SCHOOL NUTRITION PROFESSIONAL:

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| • Develops and strengthens leadership skills | • Improves project management skills through committee management responsibilities |
| • Improves public speaking skills through spokesperson training | • Improves understanding of budgeting and financial management practices |
| • Improves critical thinking skills through national policy work | • Mentors future leadership talent |

BENEFITS TO THE DISTRICT'S SCHOOL NUTRITION SERVICES STAFF:

- It is an opportunity for the staff as they “stretch” during a candidate’s absences, learning new skills and acquiring new knowledge.
- Best practices and solutions to challenges developed by other school nutrition professionals are brought back to them by their supervisor/colleague.