

# ILSNA SCHOOL NUTRITION ASSOCIATION



## What We Do!

- Who feeds generations of Illinois children? **We do.**
- Who takes care to make sure hungry children are fed at school? **We do.**
- Who provides the link between health, nutrition and academic success? **We do.**
- Who helps children establish healthy eating habits? **We do.**



## Who are we?

We are the **Illinois School Nutrition Association** - the only Illinois state association whose members are devoted exclusively to protecting and enhancing children's health and well-being by providing healthy school meals and sound nutrition education. *Our mission statement is to mentor our membership in the advancement of good nutrition for all children.*

ILSNA serves the professional needs of members working in the school nutrition profession. ILSNA is a state affiliate of the School Nutrition Association (SNA).

## WHO WE ARE

The Illinois School Nutrition Association (ILSNA) and the School Nutrition Association (SNA) are organizations of over 55,000 school nutrition professionals. Membership in ILSNA/SNA offers a variety of benefits to help you meet the challenges in the ever changing profession of school nutrition current ILSNA Membership is 554!

## Benefits of Membership

### Training and Educational Opportunities

- Seminars
- Workshops
  - State and National Conferences
  - School Foodservice & Nutrition
- School Nutrition Magazine (the national monthly publication)
- NEWSGRAM (the state quarterly publication)
- Three Levels of Certification
  - School Nutrition Specialist (SNS)
- Credentialing
- Scholarships
- Leadership Opportunities

### Professional Networking

- Personal Involvement
- Sharing and Exchanging information
- National and State Conferences

### Website ([www.ILSNA.net](http://www.ILSNA.net))

- Updates on Current School Nutrition issues
- Updates on Current Legislative Issues
- News of Upcoming Events
- Recipes
- Links to Websites Pertinent to School Nutrition Professionals

### Communication With Industry

- Working hand-in-hand with industry to develop new products, systems and services to support the current challenges of school nutrition program

Membership in ILSNA/SNA gives you access to tools that benefit your career, enhance your professional image, provide access to a support network of friends who understand and provide solutions to the challenges you face in the cafeteria and allow you to gain skills, tools, and knowledge to make a difference in the lives of the children you serve everyday!