

# **Colorado School Nutrition Association**

## **Call For Proposals 2022: Summer Conference**



- **2022 Conference Theme**
  - Illuminate the Possibilities
- **When**
  - June 15-16, 2022
- **Background**
  - The Colorado School Nutrition Association (CSNA) is a statewide organization of school nutrition professionals committed to advancing the quality of child nutrition programs through professional development and advocacy.
  - Each year CSNA holds an annual conference to assist our members in advancing our mission, as well as provide them with the learning opportunities necessary to meet the federally required industry professional standards. The CSNA Summer Conference offers several workshops and education sessions each day in an effort to meet the training and development needs of our members. We are seeking out sessions that provide not only innovative ideas, but approaches and systems that school nutrition professionals around the state can take back to their districts, build on, and replicate.
- **Call for Proposals**
  - CSNA is currently accepting proposals for presentations related to its 2022 Annual Conference which will be in Loveland, Colorado.
  - Presentations must meet one of the professional standard areas listed below
    - **Key Area 1: Nutrition**
    - **Key Area 2: Operations**
    - **Key Area 3: Administration**
    - **Key Area 4: Communications and Marketing**
  - Suggested Topics: The Education and Conference Committee is specifically interested in receiving session proposals that will enable participants to grow in their roles as child nutrition professionals in all sizes of districts, both urban and rural. Classes can be geared either towards Food Services Employee and Onsite Managers, or District Directors and Supervisors.  
[Attached](#) you will find specific topics that CSNA will be seeking out sessions for within each Key Area.
- **Session Types**
  - Breakout Sessions: CSNA Breakout Sessions will be 45 minutes in length with 15 minutes left for questions and answers. It is recommended that a blend of lecture-based instruction, case studies, peer learning, and interaction is included. Sessions should include the policy/process and the “how to”, as well as tools to take back to their schools for implementation.

- Industry/Vendor Speakers: CSNA is welcoming speaker submissions from Vendors and our Industry partners, but please ensure that the information you are providing is not only a sales pitch and will enhance the experience and education portion of the conference for all attendees.
- **Additional Expectations:**
  - Speakers agree to be available on any day in which CSNA assigns the session.
  - Speakers DO NOT need to be SNA members; however, if a proposal is accepted, ALL speakers must register as conference attendees. Complimentary registration is non-transferable.
  - CSNA does not provide speaker fees or travel expense reimbursement for education session speakers.
  - Speakers are expected to make their own travel arrangements unless otherwise mutually agreed upon in writing.
- **Please submit your proposals** for Breakout Sessions, Industry/Vendor speakers via below Google form. For any questions, please email Anna Meza, SNS, CSNA Conference and Education Chair at [ameza6@greeleyschools.org](mailto:ameza6@greeleyschools.org).
  - In the proposal, please include the following
    - Breakout Session, Industry/Vendor Speaker, or Virtual Add On Content
    - Target Audience (Large/Small District, Urban/Rural, Employee/Manager or Director/Supervisor level)
    - An outline of your presentation, and how it will tie into the conference theme
    - Deadline for Submission is January 7th, 2022
    - **Please feel free to reach out to Anna Meza with any questions regarding your proposal**

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- We may incorporate **Virtual Add On Content** (45-60 min sessions covering content that can stand on their own to cover a topic that falls under the professional standards). If you have interest or a pre-recorded session you think would bring value, please reach out to Anna for submission information.