

SNIC SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

May 13-15, 2025
The Gideon Putnam
Saratoga Springs, NY

Tuesday, May 13, 2025

- 12 – 2pm** **Pre-Con: Innovative Revenue Sources**
- 3 – 5pm** **Opening General Session | NYS Office of General Services (OGS)**
- Introduction to SLAC**
 Speaker: Nicholas Barber, New York State Office of General Services
- How to Effectively Order & Utilize USDA Foods in NY**
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- Meal Planning to Meal Service: A Structured Guide to Making the Most of Your Entitlement Dollars**
 Speakers: Donna Rice, Baldwinsville Central Schools; Ruth Conner, SNS, Buffalo Central Schools; Diana McCarthy, Wild Mike's Ultimate Pizza; Marianne Dayton, SNS, Affinity Group Northeast
- 6 – 8pm** **Dinner & Welcome Networking Event**

Wednesday, May 14, 2025

- 8:00am – 10:00am** **General Session | New York State Education Department (NYSED)**
 (Breakfast provided)
 Speaker: Kimberly Vumbaco, New York State Education Department
- 10:15 – 11:45am** **Speed Networking (Round 1)**
- 12:00 – 1pm** **Lunch Provided**
- 1:15 – 2:45pm** **Speed Networking (Round 2)**
- 2:45 – 3:15pm** **Networking Break**
- 3:15 – 4:45pm** **Preparing for Universal School Meals: Key Insights & Best Practices**
 Moderator: Bryan McCoy, Broome-Tioga BOCES
 Speakers: Kayla McDaniel, MS, NDTR, Plymouth-Canton Community Schools (Wayne County, MI); Caitlin Lazarski, MS, RD, SNS, Pine Bush Central Schools; Kate Dorr, RD, MBA, Oneida Herkimer Madison BOCES; Patrick Kenneally, Chef Ann Foundation
- Explore Saratoga Springs - Dinner on Your Own**

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7:30 – 8:30am Breakfast Provided

8:30 – 9:30am Educational Breakout Sessions

Cultivating Commitment: Empowering Passionate People for a Purpose-Driven Program

Speakers: Kayla McDaniel, MS, NDTR, Plymouth-Canton Community Schools (Wayne County, MI); Megan Bates, SNS, Capital Region BOCES

Campfire Chat: Continue the Conversation about CEP

Speakers: Caitlin Lazarski, MS, RD, SNS, Pine Bush Central Schools; Kate Dorr, RD, MBA, Oneida Herkimer Madison BOCES; Patrick Kenneally, Chef Ann Foundation

Serving Success: Enhance Nutrition & Reimbursement with Afterschool Meals

Speaker: Kayla Snyder, MA, Hunger Solutions NY

State Agency Round Tables

9:45 – 10:45am Educational Breakout Sessions

A Place at the Table - Cultural Inclusivity in the Menu to Drive Participation

Speaker: Kayla McDaniel, MS, NDTR, Plymouth-Canton Community Schools (Wayne County, MI)

Procurement and Direct Diversion

Speaker: Marianne Dayton, SNS, Affinity Group

Vending 101: Reimbursable Meals Unpacked

Speaker: Caitlin Lazarski, MS, RD, SNS, Pine Bush Central Schools

State Agency Round Tables

11:15 - 11:45am Closing General Session – Innovative Menu Design