

GSNA'S GUIDE TO A SUCCESSFUL LOCAL CHAPTER



**Georgia School
Nutrition Association**

*Building Healthy Children,
Ready to Learn*

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OPERATING HOURS: Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

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Who we are

GSNA is an individual membership organization. It is the professional association for School Nutrition Program employees. It provides professional services and training to members.

- Annual Conference - training sessions on topics such as sanitation, nutrition, personnel management, and financial accounting.
- Industry Seminar/Equipment Academy.
- Current information on school nutrition trends and regulations.
- Annual culinary contests.
- Recognition of outstanding program practices.
- Biannual magazine, Georgia Gems, that highlights school nutrition activities around the state.
- GSNA has an active and effective legislative program. At the federal level, GSNA has an active volunteer committee that coordinates information and "grass roots" campaigns with our members. A state Legislative Workshop is held each year to train our members how to influence the legislative process.
- Georgia School Nutrition Foundation, a separate nonprofit organization provides Scholarships and Grant-in-Aid to members and members' children. These funds are given two times a year, in September and March.



Getting Started

First Affiliate!

AFFILIATION WITH THE GEORGIA SCHOOL NUTRITION ASSOCIATION

Each District and Local School Nutrition Association is required to renew its affiliation each year.

REQUIREMENTS (See GSNA Bylaws, Article VIII) Due by October 1 for Scroll Awards or December 2 for voting rights in the HOD: (see below)

To renew, re-affiliate or affiliate with the Georgia School Nutrition Association, the District or Local School Nutrition Association must have:

- A completed application form (on the following page)
- Current members of the Georgia SNA and the national School Nutrition Association.
- Officers who are members of the Georgia SNA and the School Nutrition Association.
- Bylaws which are not in conflict with the GSNA Bylaws and which contain:
 - The name of the Association.
 - Membership criteria (Refer to GSNA Bylaws).
 - Officers (President, President-elect, Secretary, Treasurer).
 - Members of the Executive Board.
 - Standing Committees and Special Committees (Refer to GSNA Bylaws, Article X), as needed.
 - Election of Officers.
 - President to serve one year.
 - President-elect to serve one year as President-elect and shall succeed to the office of President at the end of the year, August 1.
 - Secretary to serve two years (elected in odd years).
 - Treasurer to serve two years (elected in even years).
 - Number of meetings per year.
 - Dues structure.
- A plan of action for the current year (The plan of action must follow the State Plan of Action as contained in the President's Handbook).
- Be represented in GSNA House of Delegates meetings by the President or President-elect or approved alternate.

* PROCEDURE

Each District and Local Chapter applying for a GOLD, SILVER or BRONZE Award must send the following items to the State Headquarters office postmarked by **October 1st**:

A completed affiliation form (following page).

A copy of the current bylaws for the Chapter if not on file at GSNA Headquarters. GSNA Headquarters can provide a prototype.

December 2: (if not applying for Gold, Silver or Bronze Awards) District and Local chapters must send the completed application (following page) to State Headquarters postmarked by December 2nd

NOTES:

Chapters must be affiliated in order to have a delegate seated in the House of Delegates. Nonaffiliated chapters **do not** vote at the Executive Board or House of Delegates.

LOCAL CHAPTER APPLICATION FOR AFFILIATION WITH THE GEORGIA SCHOOL NUTRITION ASSOCIATION

This Affiliation Application is for:

Local Chapter Name: Tift GSNA District No. 2

Check One: Renewal ☒ Re-affiliation ☐ New ☐

Number of Chapter meetings 3 Chapter Dues \$2.00

Membership Goal is to increase chapter membership by 5 new/reinstated members.

Meeting Dates	Program Topics Planned
August 26, 2022 (First Managers' Meeting)	Local Leadership Training
January 4, 2022 (New Year's Inservice)	Local Culinary Contest
May 12, 2022 (Last Managers' Meeting)	Awards and Best Practices

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Schools in this Chapter	School Cafeteria Manager
Annie Bell Clark	Audrey Dixon
Charles Spencer	Jeanette Cox
GO Bailey	Diane Mincey
JT Reddick	Sherelia Watts
Len Lastinger	Vacant
Matt Wilson	Pat Copeland
Northside	Tanya Kliene
Northeast Middle	Margie Brooks
Omega	Tammy Wells
8th Street	Ashley McMillan
Tift County HS	Shakia Rance

ATTACH A COPY OF THE CURRENT BY-LAWS IF NOT ON FILE.
Send to State GSNA Headquarters office. **Submission Deadline: October 1.** (December 2 if not applying for awards.)

Date Submitted August 10, 2022

System Contact or Local President Shakia Rance

Address 506 W 12th Street

Tifton, GA 31794

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Locate form and instructions at

<https://www.georgiaschoolnutrition.com/>

Focus on What You Do Best

- 1) Career Development & Growth
 - Local Meetings
- 2) Voice of School Nutrition
 - Advocacy (Local, State, National)
 - Public Image
- 3) Stakeholder Community
 - Membership
 - Local Partnerships
- 4) Thriving Organization
 - Best Practices in School Nutrition
 - Cultivate Aspiring Leaders
 - Mentoring

**Don't Forget the Mission, that
We Are All In this Together!!**



Mission Statement

To advance the availability, quality, and acceptance of school nutrition programs as an integral part of education.

Make It Your Own

SAMPLE AGENDAS



Tift GSNA
Thursday, July 21, 2022
Hosted by: Tift County School System-School Nutrition Program

Agenda
Call Meeting to order
Pledge
Minutes
Legislative Update
Upcoming Events
For the Good of the Order
Adjourn

The mission of GSNA is to advance the availability, quality and acceptance of school nutrition programs as an integral part of education.



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GSNA Butts County Association
Meeting/Learn Why to Be a Member
System Wide Meeting

October 17, 2021

12:00-1:30 PM

Agenda

Call to Order.....Nicole James
Welcome.....Ruth Fewell
Inspiration for the Day.....Nicole James
Legislative Issue Paper/Why Join GSNANicole James
Speaker – Why it is important to check your e-mail.....Nicole James
Resources Available at the following sites: (GSNA) georgiaschoolnutrition.com, (SNA) schoolnutrition.org
Recognition of the Following Groups: Certification, Scholarship Recipient and Credentialed members, Media Award Winner for Butts County – Sherrie Ellington
New Business: Thanksgiving Baskets and Christmas Families - Vote
Old Business: None
Jewelry Sale and Fundraiser – Will make a great Christmas Present
Collection of dues not paid - \$10.00 per member
Adjourn

Please like the GSNA Facebook page and our Sixth District School Nutrition Association Facebook page.

Encouragements

- 1) Please participate in local Board of Education Meetings and School Level PTA meeting.
- 2) "Let's Move" Activities a great way to start the New Year.
- 3) Identify Certified and Credentialed Employees - Why should you become certified?
- 4) Recognizing local Scholarship Winners
- 5) Encourage members to attend ANC, SNA, and District Members
- 6) Set Certification goals.
- 7) Why Become a GSNA member

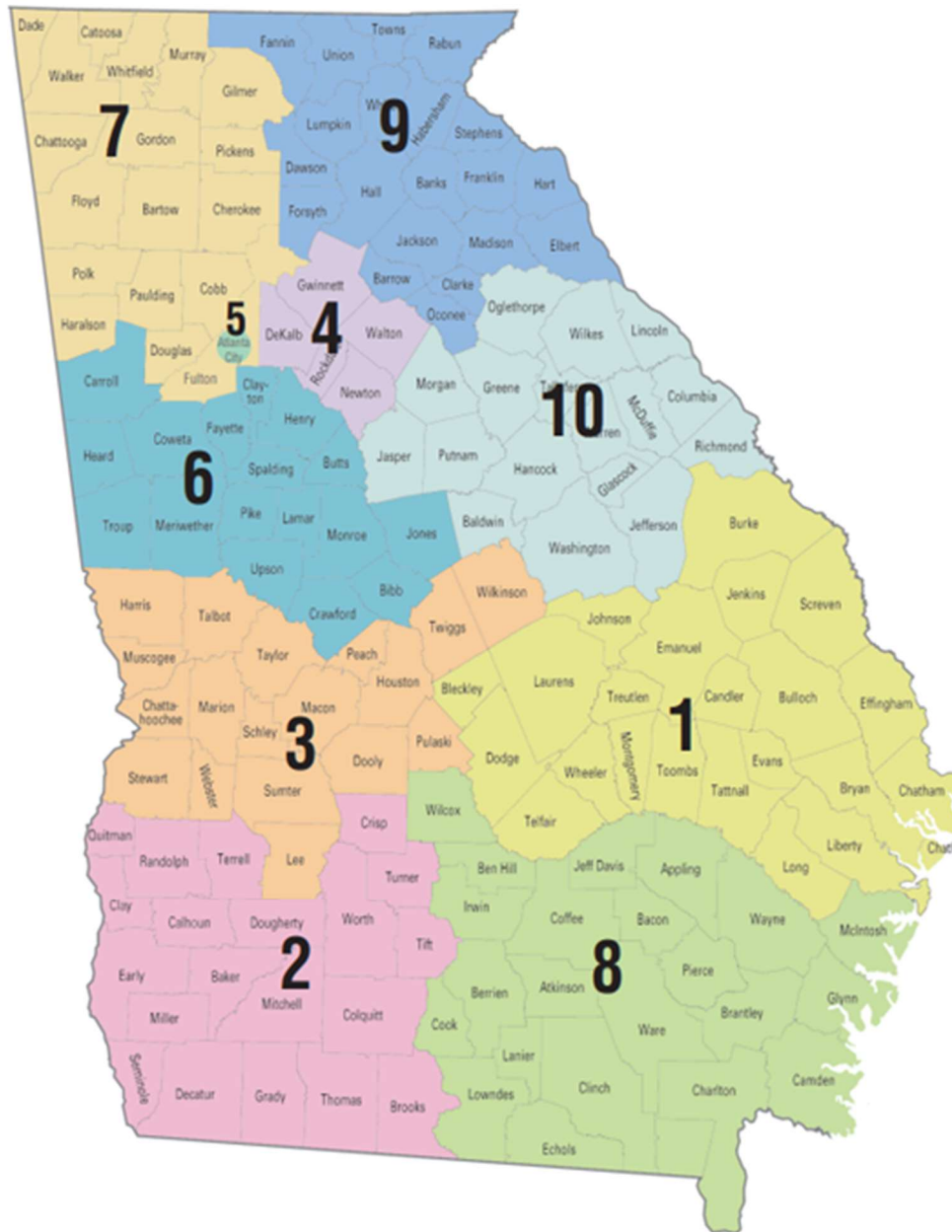
- 1) Design your local meetings around the needs of the District Plan of Action.
- 2) Incorporate a local meeting at your annual In-Service meeting and/or monthly Manager meetings. Easy as 1, 2, 3!



DISTRICT PRESIDENTS

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GSNA's District Map



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