

Outreach Toolkit: Best Practices for Marketing Your Program!

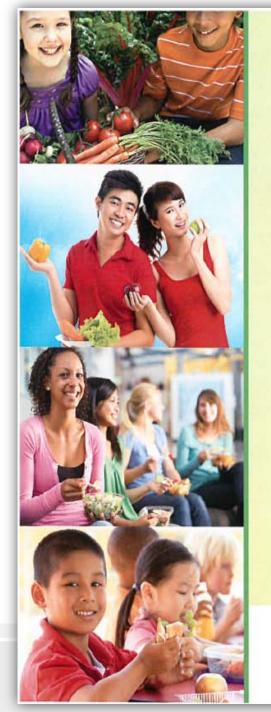
Peer to Peer Panel Discussion





Agenda

- Introduction
- Use of Cafeteria Funds for Marketing and Promotion
- Best Practices Sharing
 - Anna Apoian, Hawthorne School District and Southern
 California School Nutrition Association Marketing Chair
 - Leeza Lindsay, Torrance Unified School District
 - Heather Berkoben, Dairy Council
- Closing Remarks
 - Linda Sweeney, Cal-Pro-NET Coordinator



Outreach Toolkit to promote California school meals

This Outreach Toolkit was created to help you promote the work you are doing to serve delicious, fresh meals to California school children.

Toolkit topics include:

- Marketing overview
- Steps for developing your outreach plan
- Resources for reaching various audiences:
 - Students
 - Parents
 - Staff
 - Administrators
 - Community members

This toolkit is available at http://www.nufs.sjsu.edu/calpronet/outreachtoolkit/



California Department of Education - Nutrition Services Division
California Professional Nutrition Education Training Center at San Jose State University





Use of Cafeteria Funds

School food authorities must ensure that the funds are supporting the operation and/or improvement of the food service program and that all expenses are allowable in accordance with the cost principles located in Title 2, *Code of Federal Regulations* (2 *CFR*), Part 200.

Are the costs reasonable, necessary, and allocable......



Secure Outside Funds

- Grants
- Parent Teacher Association
- Community Partners
- Districts General Fund
- Local Control Funding Formula





• For more information on the cafeteria fund, please visit the CDE Cafeteria Fund Guidance Web page at http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/nu/sn/cafefundguide.asp.

• If you have any questions regarding cafeteria fund policy or regulations, please contact the Resource Management Unit (RMU) by phone at 800-952-5609, or you can submit your questions by e-mail to the RMU at SNPCafeFundQuestions@cde.ca.gov.



What is the Smarter Lunchrooms Movement?



For more information on SLM please visit:

http://smarterlunchrooms.org





The Smarter Lunchrooms six principles are:

- 1. Manage portion sizes
- 2. Increase convenience
- 3. Improve Visibility
- 4. Enhance taste expectations
- 5. Utilize suggestive selling
- 6. Set smart pricing strategies

Smarter Lunchrooms Movement

- SLM supports districts in the marketing and promotion of meals with low-cost/no-cost ideas such as:
 - Fruit bowl at counter
 - Creative naming of entrees
 - Grab and go reimbursable meals
 - Attractive photos of meals
 - Signage to improve student flow
- SLM of California
 - Collaborative between CDE, Dairy Council of California and UC Cal Fresh Nutrition Education that provided training and technical assistant visits to over 50 school sites



California



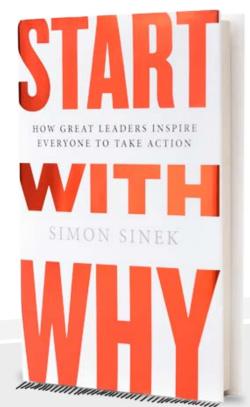
What Is Marketing?

 The action or business of promoting and selling products or services, including market research and advertising.



A Second Perspective of Marketing

- People don't buy WHAT we do they buy WHY we do it.
- In our case the WHY message is simple.

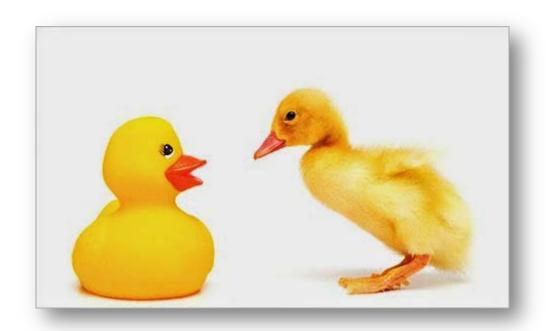






When We Don't Have a Clear Vision of Our Why....

• We can inspire or "manipulate".







8 P's of Marketing

- 1. Product
- 2. Price
- 3. Placement Smarter Lunch Room
- 4. People Target Market
- 5. Promotions Content/Delivery Mode
- 6. Packaging
- 7. Personality/Positioning
- 8. Playfulness



Outreach Toolkit







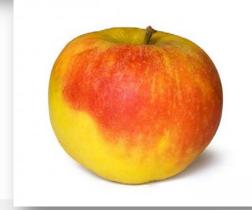
The Marketing Mix for School Nutrition Programs

By Patty Page Director of Nutrition Services Manteca Unified School District



Packaging











Personality – Who We Are

"The first thing we did when we started our marketing efforts was to ensure that we were confident in the quality of the meals and service provided. We want to deliver what is in our marketing message; anything else would be clever at best, and dishonest at worst. We have great people working hard to serve terrific meals. We focus on the experience. Once we had that down, we unveiled the brand, WaveCrest Café. This is an example of the branding, with images of actual food that we serve."

Dave Palmer, Dunk Tank Marketing



Professional Standards



- Communication & Marketing 4100
 - 4110 Strategic & Marketing Plans
 - 4120 Program Promotions
 - 4130 Customer Service
 - 4140 Communication Skills
 - 4150 School and Community
 Communications
 - 4160 Smarter Lunchrooms Techniques



Social Media - Engagement

- Traditional marketing mass marketing
- Social media targeted marketing
- Traditional marketing one way
- Social marketing two way we must listen and respond





Social Media

- 1. Create an annual marketing calendar.
- 2. Work with associate members who will create and maintain your landing page and communicate for you.
 - CSNA or SNA's Industry Marketplace
- 3. Hire a social media manager.





Social Media Tips – Keeping It Simple

- Choose the right platform and only what you can handle
- Analyze your social media
- Create relationships reply
- Use images and videos
- Offer discounts and giveaways to your followers
- Build social media into your business plan
- Grammar and punctuation matters
 - Drew Hendricks, 20 Social Media Tips for 2014,
 Entrepreneurs





- Meatless Monday
- Wellness Wednesday
- California Thursday
- Fit Thursday
- Myplate



















And deliver the product with friendly service!

• "What you see in others is a reflection of who you are."
Ramadan







Wherever you begin - find your marketing method so they can find you and get to know you!





Established a Need

• Need:

 Increase awareness and change perception of school meals and "the cafeteria"

• <u>Ideas</u>:

- Promote salad bars
- Presence at PTA or Principal meetings
- Market new meal regulations
- Work with Enrollment Center
- Wellness Policy



How are we going to do this?

• Decided at the elementary (K-5) level, our best chance to capture parents is at Back To School Night (BTSN)

Why BTSN?

- Captive audience
- PTA and other parent volunteers are present
- Children are present
- Teachers are present
- New parents to the district are usually present



How we did it...

- 1st year: Went to 11 of 17 K-5 BSTNs
- 2nd year: Went to 13 of 17 K-5 BTSNs
- Set up a salad bar and allowed everyone to grab a sample
- Tables with displays on Nutrition Services Dept. and what do for the students and the schools
- Had the cafeteria manager there to answer questions about the cafeteria and the foods we serve
- Had an office employee there to answers questions about F/R Meal Applications and student accounts



Torrance Unified School District

What Does a School **Breakfast Look Like?**

Yudent Breakfast Benef

- Students who ate school breakfast attended an average of 1.5 more days of school than their meal-skipping peers
- · Children who regularly eat breakfast get significantly higher scores in verbal and performance IQ tests
- . The children's math scores also average 17.5% higher
- · Children are "less attentive" when they don't have breakfast

for a School Breakfast:

Calorie ranges	350-500
Saturated Fat	Less than 10 % of calories
Sodium	Less than 430 mg
Trans Fat	0 grams

Nutrition Services

Morning Nutrition to Start the Day on the Right Track!

Good nutrition and learning go hand in hand and a nutritious breakfast can provide our students the energy they need to do well in school.

To start the day right, Nutrition Services offers daily wholesome, healthy breakfast options. All items are low in fat, sugar and contain no trans fat. All meals meet the regulations



We now serve whole grain muffins at breakfast.

mandated by the USDA and the State of California.

Four entrée options are offered daily. Each breakfast convenient, and includes your choice cost-effective.

of an entrée, and 100% juice or milk.

The TUSD Student Breakfast Program is quick,



HOT AND COLD **OPTIONS AVAILABLE!**



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Actual Meal that the students can take!

Torrance Unified School District

What Does a School Lunch Look Like?

A Closer Look at Lunch and its New Standards:

- Salad bars at every school offer California grown produce and now an even wider variety of fresh fruits and vegetables (including dark green, red/ orange vegetables and legumes)
- · Meals meet age-appropriate calorie limits.
- Servings of fruits and vegetables are larger.
- Fat-free or 1% milk options.
 - More whole grains.
- Low in saturated fat, no trans fat, and less sodium.

Nutrition Requirements for a School Lunch:

Calorie ranges	550-650
Saturated Fat	Less than 10 grams
Sodium	Less than 640 mg
Trans Fat	0 grams

Nutrition Services

Lunch at School has Never Been So Cool (and Healthy!)

What we serve our children is a big deal! Nutrition Services is committed to providing high quality, nutritious, and cost-effective meals to ensure our students get all the nutrition they need to succeed at school.

All meals meet the Healthy Meals School Lunch Regulations mandated by the USDA and the State of California.



Actual meal served at Seaside Elementary School.

As USD students re- A TUSD lunch only turn to school this fall, they will find even healthier, kid-approved food choices that are designed to meet the new tough federal nutrition standards.

costs \$3.00 compared to a McDonald's Happy Meal that can cost up to \$4.00. TUSD meals are both cost-effective and convenient for busy families.

How Do our Menu Items Differ from Fast Food Outlets?

Example: Chicken Nuggets

McDonald's 6 Pc Nuggets vs TUSD Popcom Chicken 280 calories 230 calories 18g fat 13g fat 540 mg sodium 340 mg sodium No whole grain Whole grain rich

Example: Domino's Cheese Pizza

Store version vs TUSD Domino's Smart Slice 335 calories 240 calories 12.5g fat 7g fat 735mg sodium 490mg sodium No whole grain Whole grain rich

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Handouts

Actual picture from our Salad Bar!



OUR MEALS PROVIDE

- · SALAD BARS AT EVERY SCHOOL
- WHOLE GRAINS
- · LOW IN SATURATED FAT AND
- VEGETARIAN OPTIONS DAILY

NUTRITION SERVICES IS DEDICATED TO PROVIDING QUALITY, DELICIOUS AND NUTRITIOUS MEALS.

choosing the healthiest kid-approved easy. You can view your child's meal items for our menus. All breakfasts and purchases, balances and set up lunches offer a variety of options notifications when your child's balance is available to every student. Salad bars low offer California grown produce and a The Director of Nutrition Services is variety of fresh fruits and vegetables available to discuss new menu items,

You have the option to put money on online. Registering online at

Nutrition Services prides itself in myschoolbucks.com for a free account is

preparation techniques, new USDA All of our meals meet the Healthy regulations and ways to increase student Meals School Lunch Regulations satisfaction, We are committed to mandated by the USDA and the State of working with parents and schools to assure high-quality service and products.

School meals are a great nutritious your child's account at the school site or value and are convenient for busy









Posters were printed at Costco for only \$25 each

Size: 20"x30"

Nutrition Services Department

Supporting learning by promoting healthy habits that last a lifetime!

310-972-6350 www.tusdfoodservice.org





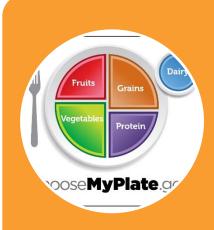
Lessons Learned

- A lot of parents thought the materials we had available were for the actual Back To School Night
- The salad bar really attracted people to our table
- 1st year we set up inside the cafeteria where the meeting was
- 2nd year we set up outside the cafeteria doors, so all parents had to walk past us to enter
- Great opportunity to work with custodians, principals, PTA and your cafeteria staff all at the same time!
- All of these handouts are available on the CalProNet Outreach Toolkit, under New Resources



Dairy Council of California: Supporting Your Program





Nutrition Education

Classroom Curriculum

Teacher & School Food Service Trainings

Parent Education



Local School Wellness Policy

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Involvement
Tools & Resources



Cafeteria

Smarter Lunchrooms Technical Advising

Nutrition Posters

Farm to School

Mobile Dairy Classroom

Community Partnerships = Dairy Council

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Support from your local Community Nutrition Advisor

A Dairy Council Community Nutrition Adviser can help:

- strengthen classroom/cafeteria connections.
- *provide professional development/education needs related to healthy eating from all food groups.
- share trends in institutional foodservice and nutrition education.
- support marketing SFS programs.







Community Nutrition Advisers Support Smarter Lunchrooms Movement











November 16, 2013 Webinars Palm Springs, CA Smarter Lunchrooms: Influencing Meal and Beverage Choices and Improving Participation

We all agree it's not nutrition until students eat it or drink it. A smartly run lunchroom nudges students toward making better choices on their own by changing the way their options are presented. Join us to discover low- or no-cost ways to promote the consumption of healthy school lunch options, using the evidence-based principles of the Smarter Lunchrooms Movement.

You will hear how a local school district used the Smarter Lunchrooms approach to encourage milk selection, and you'll learn about research and resources to market your meal program.



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Interview with Keith-Thomas Ayoob, EdD, RD, FAND.

from Occasional to Ubiquitous to Opportune

As recently as 30 years ago, most adults snacked only once a day or not at all. Now both the number of adults snacking and the

number of snacks eaten have increased. Two-thirds of adults snack 2 or more times a day, and some report consuming 4 or more snacks daily.

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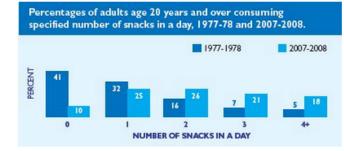
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According to market research, more than a third of millennials reported snacking more compared to a year ago, with 26- to 30-year-olds indicating 3 or more snacking occasions per day. Snacking by teens has also increased, with 83 percent of adolescents eating at least one snack on any given day. Children consume about 3 snacks per day, comprising more than 27 percent of their calories and consisting mostly of desserts and sweetened beverages.



categories through packaging, portion size or type of ingredients.

Rather than defining snacks by time of day and/or by type of sweet or salty treat. distinctions between meals and snacks are now blurred. Foods can be eaten as snacks or alongside main meals since food manufacturers have made it easier for consumers to decide for themselves whether a food is a meal or snack by not pigeonholing

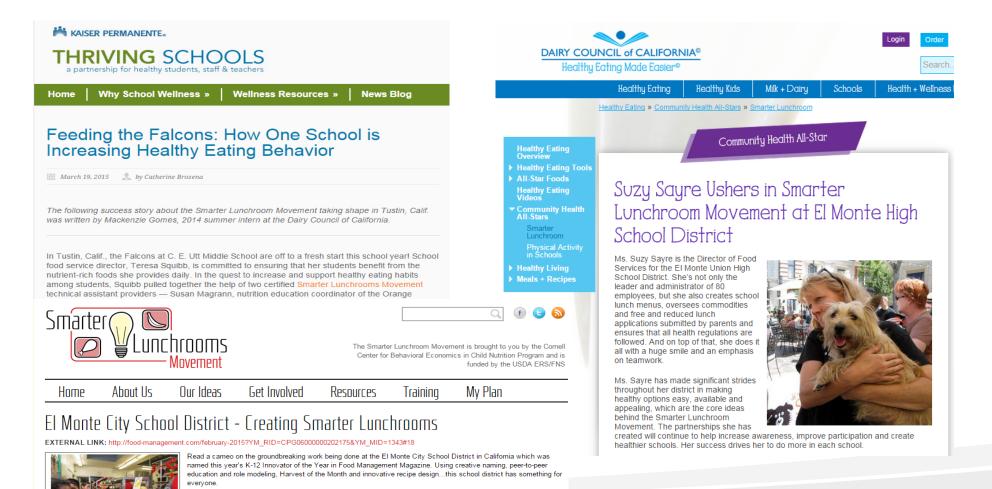
products into defined

Schools and Snacking

Smart Snacks in School

nutrition standards require dairy, vegetables, fruits, whole grains and protein sources and set specific limits on calories. fats, sugar and sodium. Smart Snacks in School sets limits on what can be sold through school vending machines, a la carte lunch lines, student stores and fundraising events. These limits do not apply to foods brought from home as bagged lunches or for birthday parties, off-campus

Support Marketing School Food Service Programs



Wellness Wednesday Messages

These messages help bridge nutrition education that is occurring in the classroom with foods served at school to increase consumption of nutrient-rich foods and decrease food waste.

Use each message as an announcement on Wednesday mornings and encourage your students to try new foods at the school cafeteria.

USDA MyPlate	Page 3
Milk + Milk Products Food Group	Page 4
Benefits of Drinking Milk!	Page 5
Yummy Yogurt	Page 6
Cheese—Bean + Cheese Burrito	Page 7
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Mobile Dairy Classroom

- *Free assembly provided
- *Cow and calf
- *Farm to School connection



Healthy Eating

Milk + Dairu

Schools MDC Instructor Kimberlee Youman demonstrates hand milking.

Schools » Mobile Dairy Classroom » Invitations

l Wellness

Invitation Templates

Spread the word about the Mobile Dairy Classroom coming to your school! Below are templates you can customize to invite parents and school staff to this assembly, as well as inform your local news media.

Thank you for allowing us to be part of your student's academic experience. Our instructor and cow look forward to educating and interacting with your students in the near future!

Invite Board Members, Teachers + Staff

Staff Invitation

Invite School Foodservice Staff:

School Foodservice Invitation

Invite Parents

Parent Invitation

Alert the Media:

Mobile Dairy Classroom Press Release



Healthy Eating: Cafeteria Nutrition Education in the Classroom Tips for Parents







Cafeteria Connections

CAFETERIA CONNECTION-Kindergarten

- Arrange a tour of the school kitchen with the food service director to discuss the breakfast program.
- Schedule the tour in the morning so students can eat school breakfast together

ACTIVITY #2: CAFETERIA CONNECTION

Materials needed: One index card and a pen or pencil for each student.

- Speak with the School Food Service (SFS)
 Director and take a class field trip to the cafeteria.
- Have the SFS Director give a tour, explaining how the food is prepared and how they determine food serving sizes when preparing and distributing foods for the students.
- Take several copies of the school's lunch menu back to the classroom.
- Assign each student one food item from one day of the monthly menu.
- Tell the students to draw the hand symbol for 1 serving of the assigned food and write what the serving size is below the drawing.
- Have the SFS Director post the hand symbols above the food during lunch, and all of the students can practice the hand symbols at lunchtime.



- Start simple
- Spend a few minutes reviewing the Outreach Site
- Outreach Toolkit updates
 - New Resources
 - California News





More resources for Menu ideas and Cafeteria Promotion

More ready-to-use templates

Continued updates to keep current with trends

Visit the Site

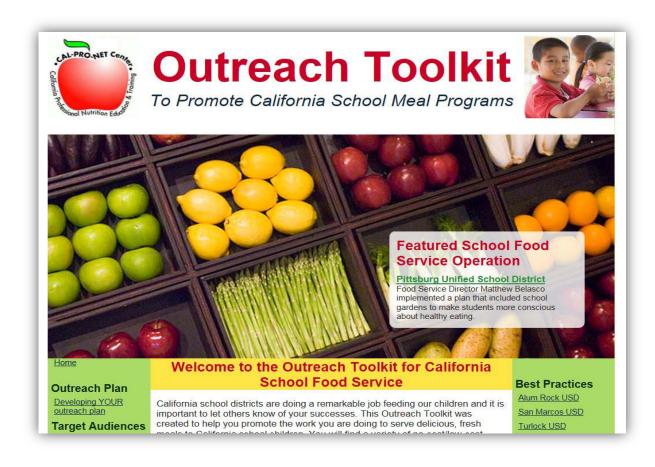
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http://www.nufs.sjsu.edu/calpronet/outreach tk.htm

Or the CSNA Web Homepage under the Marketing Toolkit tab at: http://www.calsna.org/

Or the SCSNA Eat Smart 2 Be Smart Web site at:

http://www.eatsmart2besmart.org/





Questions

