

The Path to National Leadership Opportunities



SNA Leadership Opportunities



Are you looking for a challenging way to pursue your passion in school nutrition?

Are you ready to take your experience and skills to the next level?

Can a national leadership experience enhance your career?

So. . .Where do you start?

The path to
national
leadership starts
right here!

Are You Ready?



Get Started!

- Be an active SNA member in good standing
- Seek opportunities to volunteer at chapter or state level
 - »Committee
 - »Events
 - »Recruiting new members

Look for opportunities in your state association

1

Be a chapter leader

2

Be a committee chair

3

Run or volunteer for state VP, Pres-Elect, President

4

Attend SNA conferences

5

Find a mentor who is already a volunteer

Leadership Coaching Resources



Current state board members

Past State Presidents

State Association Executives/Directors

Volunteering provides

Opportunities to develop

- Leadership experience
- Leadership skills



Prepare by developing your leadership skills



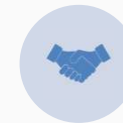
Think big picture



Believe passionately
in School Nutrition



Build a reputation for
honesty, integrity, and
ethical behavior



Earn trust



Be a life-long learner



Use challenges as
learning
opportunities



Be present



Build presentation
skills



Strengthen
interpersonal
communication skills

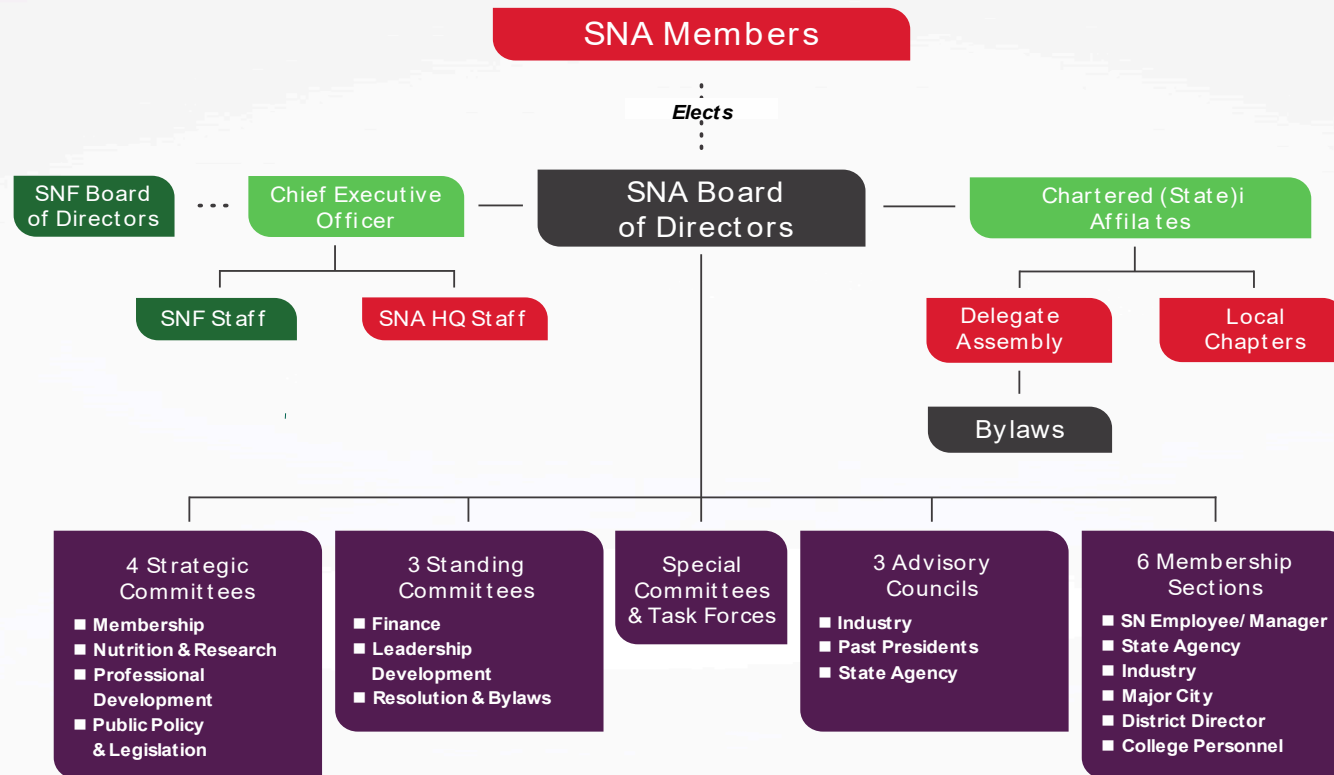


Build consensus



Be a good problem
solver

SNA Governance Structure



Committee Appointment Eligibility

Current member in good standing

SNS Credential or SNA Certificate

Membership segment
representative (select
committees)

Submit Committee Interest form on
<https://schoolnutrition.org/LeadershipOpp/>
(also used for task force interest)

Considerations for Committee Appointments

Geographic representation

Subject matter expertise representatives

Interest in the role

Various attributes such as race, gender, school district size, free/reduced lunch, etc.

Time Commitment



Committees meet mostly via Zoom calls

Committees sometimes meet in person if required for a specific purpose

SNA pays travel expenses



Assigned tasks

Aligned to the strategic plan and annual plan of action

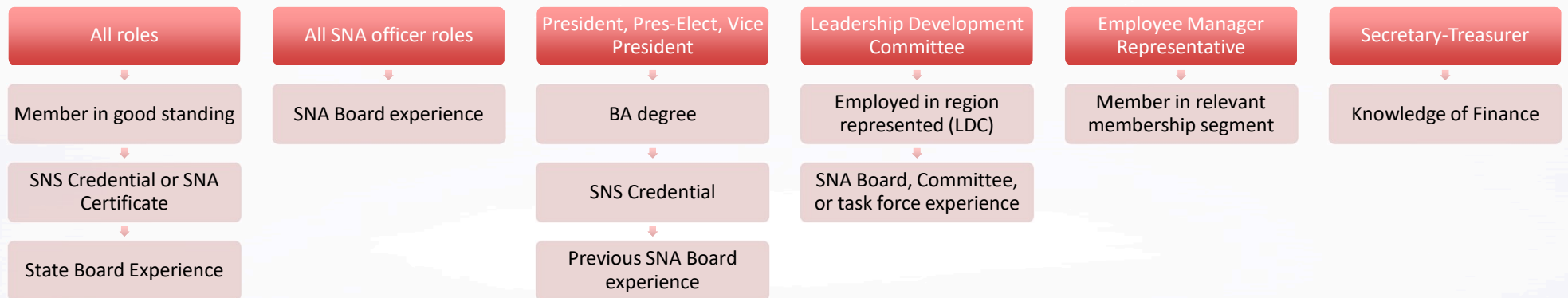
Elected Positions

BOARD OF DIRECTORS	TERM
President	1 year
President – Elect	1 year
Vice President	1 year
Secretary/Treasurer	2 years
Director	3 years
Employee/Mgr. Rep.	3 years

Elected Positions

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE	TERM
7 Regional Representatives	2 years

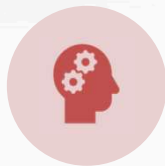
Eligibility for Board Positions



Nominations and Election Schedule

Call for Nominations	July/ANC
Nominations close	September 30
Slate selected by Leadership Development Committee	Early November
Final slate announced	Early November
Campaign	October – Feb 28
Election	February 15-28

Benefits to You!



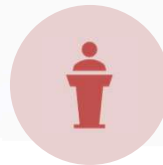
Develop and strengthen leadership skills



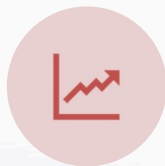
Provide input to School Nutrition policy issues



Improve critical thinking skills



Improve public speaking skills



Improve understanding of financial management

Even more benefits!

School District

- Best practices in SN from around the country brought back to district
- A school nutrition professional with more leadership skills
- District programs and accomplishments often receive national recognition

Your staff

- “Stretch”, learn new skills and acquire new knowledge from you!
- Best practices and solutions brought back by you!

SNA Past President's Comments

"Developing strong relationships with excellent leaders".

"Making a difference in the lives of school nutrition professionals".

"...getting positive feedback from members...who would tell me I had been a role model, and something I had done or said had influenced them positively...".

Be a National SNA Leader!

Scan the QR Code to fill
out a Volunteer
Leadership Interest
Form!

