



School Nutrition and Industry Summit

Frequently Asked Questions

1. When will the Exhibit room be open for set up?

The Exhibit Hall at the venue (Hendricks A&B) can be accessed beginning on Tuesday, June 7th at 8:30am. The rooms will be accessible all day on Tuesday and beginning again at 8am on Wednesday with exhibits opening at 12:30pm. The hope is that you will have plenty of time throughout the day and a half to set up your display/table and also be able to attend the education programming at the summit. This event is intended for both school nutrition and operators to learn and grow in partnership.

2. Can I attend any of the education sessions/panels/discussions?

ABSOLUTELY! In fact, we are encouraging it! Please indicate in your registration if you do plan to attend the education portion of the event so that we may plan for ample seating.

3. What about meals? Will there be meals provided?

There will be an opportunity to purchase meals for yourself and any colleagues that plan to join us at the summit. We especially encourage you to attend the lunch on Tuesday as we will be assigning Industry partners to tables with school nutrition operators so you can catch up with customers and meet potential customers in a relaxed environment.

4. How will exhibit table locations be assigned?

As per usual for this event, tables will be assigned by ISNA on a first come, first served basis, also considering that competitive Industry Partners will be spaced apart to the best of our ability. When you arrive at the venue, there will be a table sign indicating where you have been placed.

5. Will electricity be provided on site?

Due to the fact that the exhibits will be in a ballroom rather than a true convention type room, we are not able to accommodate electrical needs. Please be sure to charge your devices, computers, etc. ahead of time.

6. Will food sampling be allowed?

At this time food sampling is certainly allowed, however, last year's summit proved that attendees preferred table displays and conversation/idea sharing during this time at the summit. Of course, pre packaged samples are the way to go if possible. Be prepared to converse with attendees as there will certainly be questions as we head into planning for SY 22/23.

*FYI, attendees will be offered a boxed lunch at 11:45 (prior to the exhibit time) and boxed lunches will be available for purchase for any Industry partner as well to fuel up before exhibits open at 12:30pm.

7. What are the plans for Tuesday evening? Will there be the opportunity for networking?

Yes! The ISNA Executive Board feels that members will be very excited to reconnect with colleagues, friends, and Industry partners as many weren't able to attend the conference this past Fall. While we recognize that there is still the reality of the COVID-19 pandemic to take into consideration, ISNA will follow all hotel guidelines/protocols, if any, as they relate to COVID-19 safety precautions. That being said, there are plans in the works for some serious fun as well as food, beverage and lots of mingling on Tuesday evening! Be on the lookout for more information!

8. How do I make reservations at the Embassy Suites by Hilton Plainfield?

You can reserve under the ISNA block of rooms by clicking [HERE](#) or calling 317-839-1106 and mentioning the ISNA room block.

9. Are there other hotel options in the area?

The venue is literally SURROUNDED by hotel properties. Please see below for an incomplete list of other options.

- a. [Staybridge Suites Indianapolis Airport](#)
- b. [Springhill Suites by Marriott Indianapolis Airport/Plainfield](#)
- c. [Holiday Inn Express Indianapolis Airport](#)
- d. [Best Western Plus Atrea Airport Inn & Suites](#)

10. Questions? Please contact Sheri Shipp, ISNA Executive Director at any time.

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