



Commentary

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"SNA-VA promotes optimal health, nutrition, and education of Virginia students.

The SNA-VA legislative agenda is sensitive to limited availability of additional state funding. However, it would be desirable to update the funding formula for breakfast and eliminate the incentive-based breakfast reimbursement that was based on the 03-04 school year.

To replace this, SNA-VA recommends a per-meal reimbursement mechanism to help offset the costs associated with this state-mandated school breakfast program.

Additionally, SNA-VA recommends an increase in the state share of lunch reimbursement. Currently, the \$.047 per lunch meal has been in place since the early 1980's.

SNA-VA recognizes that the provision of nutritious food, served in a pleasant, safe climate fosters a school environment that produces healthy, well-nourished children who are fueled for learning all day long."