Starting a Salad Bar
Part 2 - The How

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1:30 PM – 2:00 PM

PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS LEARNING CODES: 2610, 3210, 3220, 3230, 3510
Two questions:

Why?

- Definition of school salad bars
- Supporters of school salad bars
- Potential benefits of school salad bars

How?

- Assess Your Site(s)
- Make Key Decisions
- Write SOPs
- Train Staff & Students
- Monitor Operations
Assess Your Site(s)
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Site Assessment
Gather all relevant information about your site to allow you to identify the site's strengths and challenges associated with starting a salad bar.

Why is **ASSESSMENT** important?

- Forecasts obstacles that may arise during implementation
- Helps ensure salad bar implementation is sustainable
Assess Your Site(s)

Areas to Assess

- District/Site Descriptive Information
- Funding
- Equipment
- Labor
- Procurement
- Meal Service Operations
- Other
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- **District/Site Descriptive Information**
  - Interested parties (principal, food service site lead, etc.) grades served, cafeteria layout, etc.

- **Funding**
  - Initial costs, source of funding (510 funds, grants, donations, other), etc.

- **Equipment**
  - Current inventory, additional needs (ex. food bar, pans, chillers, tongs, knives, cutting boards, storage containers, sinks, refrigeration, etc.)

- **Labor**
  - Staffing details such as labor hours assigned vs. worked, skill set and motivation of staff, efficiency and productivity, etc.

- **Procurement**
  - Are current vendors able to meet new demands? Are new vendors needed?

- **Meal Service Operations**
  - Meal times, service duration, breaks between service, site type (satellite, base, or production kitchen), ADP, etc.
Assess Your Site(s)

Check out this resource!

**Salad Bar Site Assessment Tool**
The Lunch Box / Chef Ann Foundation
http://www.thelunchbox.org/programs/salad-bars/assessment-and-planning/?tab=overview2
Make Key Decisions
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Decision Time!

Use the information you gathered in the site assessment to make informed decisions for implementing your salad bar.

What makes these **DECISIONS** so important?

- Key decisions must be made before other decisions related to your salad bar can be decided.
- Making these decisions early in the process will keep you moving forward and on track to implement your salad bar in a timely manner.
Make Key Decisions

Key Decisions Related to Starting a Salad Bar

- Type of Salad Bar
- Menu Changes
- Labor Adjustments
Make Key Decisions

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  ◦ Regular service line with cold wells
  ◦ Freestanding, mobile-insulated food bar
  ◦ Table top insulated food bar
  ◦ Freestanding, mobile, mechanically cooled food bar

• Menu Changes
  ◦ Salad bar is part of the reimbursable meal
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Once the KEY DECISIONS are made, then you can consider things like...

- Location of the salad bar
- Offerings based on capacity
- Required SOPs
- Training topics
- Other
Make Key Decisions

Check out these resources!

The Cambro Versa Food Bar Brochure
Let's Move Salad Bars to Schools

Menu Planning - Salad Bar Operations
The Lunch Box / Chef Ann Foundation
http://www.thelunchbox.org/programs/salad-bars/operations/?tab=menu-planning
Write SOPs
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Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs)
Written practices and procedures tailored to your site of how to complete specific tasks.

Why are SOPs important?

- Required component of your Food Safety Plan
- Control quality and consistency
- Protect you from knowledge loss
- Save on training costs
Write SOPs

Salad Bar SOPs

- Purchasing
- Receiving
- Storing
- Rinsing
- Processing
- Holding
- Transporting
- Temperature logging
- Serving fresh produce
- Other
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Update existing or create brand new SOPs to ensure you have a procedure for every aspect of your salad bar operation!
Write SOPs

Check out these resources!

Prototype (Template) Food Safety Plan
ADE Health and Nutrition Services
http://www.azed.gov/hns/nslp/foodsafety/

Salad Bar SOP
The Lunch Box / Chef Ann Foundation
http://www.thelunchbox.org/programs/salad-bars/assessment-and-planning/?tab=developing-standard-operating-procedures

Sample SOP
A Field Guide to Salad Bars in Schools pg 21-25
Minnesota Department of Health
Train Staff & Students
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Salad Bar Training
Provide instruction on how the salad bar fits within your school's meal service, including specific job duties for staff and benefits of salad bars for staff and students.

Why train both STAFF & STUDENTS?

- Both are responsible for the success and safety of the salad bar
- Training can be an opportunity to foster support for the salad bar from all parties
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| Staff           | • Benefits of salad bars  
                 • SOPs/Food safety  
                 • Reimbursable meal requirements  
                 • Other | • Salad bar etiquette (food safety)  
                 • Selecting a proper portion  
                 • Benefits of salad bars  
                 • Other |

**Train Staff & Students**

**Webinar Series**
Train Staff & Students

Check out these resources!

**Salad Bar Staff Training Agenda**
A Field Guide to Salad Bars in Schools pg 30-33
Minnesota Department of Health

**Training - Salad Bars**
The Lunch Box / Chef Ann Foundation
http://www.thelunchbox.org/programs/salad-bars/training/?tab=overview6

**Produce Safety Resources**
The Institute of Child Nutrition
https://theicn.org/icn-resources-a-z/produce-safety/
Monitor Operations
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Frequently assess your salad bar operation to identify the strengths as well as areas for improvement.

Why is **MONITORING OPERATIONS** important?

- Assessing your operations allows for continuous improvement
- Gives you the opportunity to adjust and adapt to challenges you may encounter
- Helps ensure sustainability of your salad bar
Monitor Operations

Monitoring Activities

- Assess budget
- Monitor labor productivity
- Review salad bar production records
- Assure meal pattern compliance
- Other
Monitor Operations

Check out these resources!

**Tips for Tracking Usage**
Starting a Salad Bar, Slide 55
Missouri DESE

**Meal Pattern Requirements (NSLP and SBP)**
Arizona Department of Education
http://www.azed.gov/hns/nslp/mealpattern/
So... what now?
Next Steps

Start planning the HOW!

- Assign a point person to be in charge of completing the necessary tasks
- Make a timeline of activities that need to get done in order to get your salad bar up and running

Download the checklist available on the upLIFT LEARN webpage under the Webinars tab to get started!
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1:30pm - 2:00pm

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Question #1

The site assessment allows you to gather all pertinent information about your site to identify the site's strengths and challenges associated with starting a salad bar

a. TRUE
b. FALSE
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c. Labor Adjustments
d. All of the Above
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Comprehension Check

Question #3

You can find the ADE Checklist for Salad Bar Implementation on the upLIFT LEARN webpage under the Webinars tab.

a. TRUE
b. FALSE
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