



Grow Your Career in School Food!



The **School Food Specialist Pre-Apprenticeship** will introduce you to the opportunity for a mission-driven career in K-12 school food operations. You will gain education and professional development to support your growth as a school food professional. Completing the Pre-Apprenticeship also enables you to apply for the 9-month long Apprenticeship.

Pre-Apprenticeship

The three-week Pre-Apprenticeship will be offered monthly February - March for the 2026 school year at Boulder Valley School District, Greeley-Evans Weld County School District 6, and Mesa County Valley School District 51 (see our website for which districts are participating each month).

The program includes:

- **2 online courses through Chef Ann Foundation's School Food Institute:** 10 hours
- **ServSafe® Food Handler Certification:** 3 hours
- **1 virtual learning session:** 1.5 hours
- **Hands-on culinary experience at a local K-12 division:** 6 hours
- **Compensation: \$310** (varies based on local minimum wage)

The Pre-Apprenticeship culminates in a job interview with the host school division.



Benefits of Working in School Food

- Enjoy a full- or part-time schedule, working early morning to mid-afternoon with weekends off
- Explore your creativity and passion for cooking delicious and culturally-rooted food
- Nourish your community's youth with fresh, healthy food that sets them up for success
- Contribute to sustainability by reducing food and packaging waste and sourcing local ingredients

The application is now open for spring cohorts. Learn more and apply at www.chefannfoundation.org/co-hsfp or scan the QR code.

