



*Please find below the list of members attending our 2025 annual member meeting.
For a full member list with bios, please visit the Healthy Kids Collaborative website
(www.ciahealthykids.com).*

Leadership Members:

- Sandy Curwood, Former Director, School Nutrition Programs, Virginia Department of Education, HKC Interim Program Manager, Pro-Motion Work Group Co-Chair
- Lisa Feldman '91, Senior Director of Culinary, Menu Systems & Impact Strategy, Sodexo
- Jamie Hartz, Senior Manager, Culinary Systems, Sodexo
- Jason Hull '97, Director of Culinary Services, Marin Country Day School
- Kevin Jenkins, District Executive Chef, Garland ISD
- Rachel Petraglia, Culinary Specialist, Georgia Department of Education
- Matthew Poling, Director, Durango School District
- Rebecca Polson, Chef Consultant and Culinary Trainer, Chef Rebecca K12 Culinary Consulting
- Marlo Spreng, Director of Nutrition, Hardin School District 17H & 1
- Kristen Tekell, Food Service Director, Napa Valley Unified School District
- Juan Zamarano, Food Services Program Specialist, San Diego Unified School District

Operator Members:

- Danielle Bock, Director of Nutrition Services, Greeley-Evans D6
- Amanda Ewest, Menu Administrator, Minneapolis Public Schools Culinary Wellness Services
- Jamie Ginsburg '97, '98, Culinary Services Supervisor, Los Angeles Unified School District
- Acenette Gonzalez '14, District Chef, Carrollton- Farmers Branch ISD
- Juan Pablo Gonzalez, Menu Planner Chef, Houston ISD - Nutrition Services
- Molly Gergory, RDN, CD, Madison Metropolitan School District
- Dale Green II, Senior Area Executive Chef, Sodexo
- Alex Hallark, Child Nutrition Director, DeSoto County School District
- Vanessa Hayes, Valdosta City Schools, Nutrition Director
- Brittany Jones, Food & Agriculture Literacy Chef, Houston Independent School District
- Jennifer LeBarre, Executive Director, Student Nutrition Services, San Francisco Unified School District



- Kim Leung, Food Services Director, TTSD
- Karen Luna, Director of Nutrition Services, Santa Clara Unified School District
- Jeanne Pacheco, Food Service Supervisor, Lodi Unified School District
- James Porter, Director of Culinary, Houston ISD
- Jessica Shelly, Director, Student Dining Services, Cincinnati Public Schools
- Aaron Smith, Director of Culinary Services, Seattle Public Schools
- Marlo Spreng, Director of Nutrition, Hardin School District 17H & 1
- Jason Tepper '96, Executive Chef, Alexandria City Public Schools
- Andrew Urbanetti, Assistant Director, Strategic Initiatives, Boston Public Schools
- Nicholas Vedia, Training Executive Chef, Chesapeake Public Schools
- Bertrand Weber, Director, Culinary & Nutrition Services, Minneapolis Public Schools
- Cody Williams '04, Director of Food & Nutrition Services, Novato Unified School District
- Desiree Yaeger, School Nutrition Director, Bulloch County Schools

Presenters and/or Guests:

- Kue Her, Director of Culinary, UC Davis
- Jackie Bertoldo, Founder, Eat Better by Design
- Christopher Gardner, Rehnborg Farquhar Professor of Medicine, Stanford University; Director of Nutrition Studies Research Group, Stanford Prevention Research Center, Co-Chair

Corporate Members:

- Jodi Batten, National Sales & Marketing Senior Director, Red Gold
- Lillie Berman, Director of Nutrition Influencer Education, National Cattlemen's Beef Association, California Beef Council
- Charlene Doan, Corporate Chef West, RATIONAL Cooking Systems, Inc.
- Erin Ducharme, Senior Sales Manager, PepsiCo
- Penny Gueswel, Regional Sales Manager, Education/K12 Advisor, Red Gold
- Rachel Huber, Foodservice Dietitian, Quaker (PepsiCo Foodservice)
- Tami Iverson, Director, Marketing, Pacific Coast Producers
- Madison Jacobson, Director of Marketing, USA Pulses
- Chad Kidd, Regional Sales Manager, Bridgeford Foods Corporation
- Neil Kimney, President, Rich Chicks
- Daniel Lessem, Director - Education & Strategic Initiatives, RATIONAL Cooking Systems, Inc.
- Markita Lewis, Marketing and Communications Manager, National Peanut Board
- Jean Moore, Nutritionist, Bridgeford Foods Corporation
- Cody Nore, National Sales Manager – Foodservice, Pacific Coast Producers



- Michael Rosenberger, Brand Ambassador, Rich Chicks
- Jacob Slabaugh, Marketing Project Manager & Chef, USA Pulses
- Lindsay Stevens, Communications & Marketing Associate, National Peanut Board

Alliance Members:

- Sheryl Allen, Consultant, Lemon Grove Ventures
- Vince Caguin, Director of Strategy & Innovation, Center for Ecoliteracy
- Chela Cooper '05, Mid-Atlantic Regional Culinary Implementation Specialist, Institute of Child Nutrition
- Patrick Garmong, Associate Director of Culinary Education & Training, Institute of Child Nutrition
- Becky Garrison, Director, Public Policy | Nutrition, Food Systems & Food Safety, National Association of State Departments of Agriculture (NASDA)
- Barbara Mechura, AFHK Program Director, USDA Programs, Action for Healthy Kids
- Laura Smith, Executive Director of Programs, Chef Ann Foundation
- Ryne Spaulding '05, Regional Corporate Chef, The Nutrition Group
- Sarah Thomas, Professional Learning Specialist, Action for Healthy Kids
- Alonzo Villarreal, Assistant Director for Program Advancement, Texas Department of Agriculture

Alumni/Advisor:

- Catharine Powers, Partner, Culinary Nutrition Associates LLC

Culinary Institute of America:

- Olivia Barkett, Registration Manager
- Bukky Boyd, Manager, Conference Operations
- David Brooks, Director of Conference Operations
- Rebekah Cervantes, Administrative Coordinator
- Valentina Córdoba, MCURC Research and Community Manager
- Corrie Clark '09, Consulting Chef, Adjunct Instructor
- Patti Coleman, Director, Business Development
- Abby Fammartino, MBA, MSFS, Director of Health and Sustainability Programs and Research
- Rachel Hoover '19, Director of Corporate Relations
- Robert Jones '20, Vice President of Strategic Partnerships, Industry Leadership, and Impact
- Dave Kamen '88, Director of Client Engagement and Experience



- Brittany Lopez, Associate Director of Conference Operations
- SeaAnna Savage '24, Manager, Sponsorship Planning
- Sharon Schaefer, Assistant Director of School Nutrition Programming