NEW JERSEY ProStart
National Restaurant Association Educational Foundation



PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 18, 2026 @ MARION P. THOMAS
125 Sussex Avenue, Newark, NJ 07103

AGENDA

9:00 - Arrival: *Conversations, Coffee & Breakfast (Sponsored by Doherty)*

9:30 - Breakout Groups: *Discussions Amongst Educators on Proposed Topics*

10:15 - Curriculum Smart Study: *How-Tos, Benefits, Q&A with Liz McGinnis and Maggie Braunscheidel, National Restaurant Association*

11:00 - Lunch

11:45 - Student Incentives: *Certificate of Achievements with Alex Diachok, National Restaurant Association, Work Opportunities with Guests TBD, Scholarship Opportunities & Planning*

1:00 - NJPSI Competition: *Rules Updates, Best Practices, 2026 Review, 2027 Planning with Michael Santos, National ProStart Judge, and Lou Meyer, NJPSI Judge*

2:15 - Event Ends