



INSIGHT

The Newsletter of the Student Nurses'
Association of Pennsylvania

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March 2026

Pennsylvania Pride Texas Spirit: SNAP Heads to Houston for NSNA



Join us in Houston!

NSNA will host the 2026 annual convention in Houston, Texas April 8-11, 2026. SNAP will host specific events and has reserved conference room #4 at the Hilton next to the George R. Brown Convention Center. SNAP meeting times are available below. Be

sure to stop by and pick up your pin to show our Pennsylvania Pride in Houston! Wear your favorite Texas Western hat to be entered in the prize drawing! SNAP pins and cords will also be available for purchase.

2026 PENNSYLVANIA STATE CAUCUS



Stay Connected

Join the GroupMe to receive updates, reminders, and real-time communication throughout convention



What is a Caucus?

Pennsylvania members meet throughout convention to discuss resolutions, bylaws, and key issues, review candidates for NSNA Board & NEC, and connect with fellow PA nursing students.

All Meeting At: Caucus Room #4 Hilton Hotel - Room 340

! Delegates are required to attend caucus meetings !

WED
April 8

10:00 - 10:30 AM Welcome Session

- Meet the SNAP Board, advisors, faculty, and members
- Kick off convention and connect with peers
- Pick up your PA Pride, Texas Spirit Buttons!

4:10 - 4:30 PM Post-HOD Debrief

- Quick regroup following the House of Delegates
- Celebrate PA Roll Call (Hershey Kisses included 🍫)
- Open to all members and faculty

THR
April 9

10:00 - 10:30 AM Welcome Session

- Key updates from SNAP leadership
- Overview of resolutions, candidates, and priorities
- Encouragement to attend Meet the Candidates (2:00 - 3:30 PM)

FRI
April 10

2:15 - 2:45 PM Pre-Debate Briefing

- Final updates before Presidential Debates
- Volunteer sign-up for candidate engagement
- Importance of informed participation emphasized

8:30 - 9:30 PM FINAL DELEGATE CAUCUS

- Critical discussion of all candidates
- Final preparation before voting begins
- Collaborative decision-making as a delegation
- Dress comfortably
- **! Delegate Required !**

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David R. Ranck LEAD Workshop



On March 21st and 22nd, SNAP hosted the David R. Ranck LEAD Workshop in Harrisburg, PA alongside UPMC. The workshop is organized to educate first and second year nursing students, or any level nursing students, about leadership roles and help develop their leadership skills.

On Saturday, Dr. AnnMarie Papa delivered the keynote presentation, Harmony in Colors: LEADing in Style. I found her presentation especially valuable because it helped me and many of the other students learn more about our personalities and how our individual traits can benefit us in the workplace. It was also a great introduction to meeting students from other schools and discussing both our similarities and differences in personality and leadership styles.

Following the keynote, students attended three concurrent workshops that each focused on different leadership topics. Marcus Henderson led Learning to LEAD: Growth Through Success and Setbacks, which explained ways to overcome

challenges throughout nursing school. Dr. Paul Logan facilitated a conversation about personal well being during his presentation, Content. And John Palmer also led a session that broke down Bylaws, Policies, and Resolutions into simple terms, explaining their importance within workplaces and professional organizations.

The final event of the day was a discussion on The Appropriate Use of Social Media, led by Marcus Henderson, David Ranck, and Madeline Stadler. It was interesting to hear stories from other students about their experiences with nursing content online and to learn how social media can be both beneficial and potentially harmful for nursing students and professionals.

Sunday morning began with a student panel featuring representatives from several nursing schools who shared their stories about why they chose nursing and what they hope to pursue after graduation. Next, Madeline Stadler delivered the keynote presentation, The Team Advantage: How Collaboration Elevates the Nursing Profession, which emphasized the importance of interprofessional collaboration and building strong professional relationships. The workshop concluded with a super funny skit performed by the SNAP Board of Directors and a closing speech from David Ranck.

Overall, I truly had an incredible experience meeting new students, learning more about leadership, and leaving with a stronger confidence in my ability to contribute as an effective and meaningful leader. I highly recommend this workshop and encourage anyone who is interested to consider attending next year! Thank you to all of our wonderful speakers and to UPMC for hosting us!

Special thanks to Sarah Weisbeck, SNAP Secretary and Treasurer, for sharing this article.

Capitol Hill Step by Step

On Tuesday, March 24, 2026, hundreds of SNAP members gathered to learn about the legislative process at the state and federal levels of government. Hosted by SNAP's Legislative Coordinator, Jocelin Ramirez, attendees enjoyed a fun, interactive virtual experience. Speakers provided information on current events, proposed policy changes, and described how ideas become laws. The morning concluded with Senator Bridget Kosierowski sharing her nursing experience better informs her work in the Senate Chamber. For convenience, SNAP members have the opportunity to listen to the replay on the SNAP website. Congratulations to Jocelin and the Legislative Committee for a wonderful event.



The image shows a graphic agenda for the event. It features a dark blue background with white text and two red stars at the top corners. The title is 'CAPITOL HILL STEP BY STEP AGENDA MARCH 24TH, 2026'. The agenda items are listed in a vertical column, each preceded by a white circle and a vertical line.

Time	Activity
9:00 AM - 9:10 AM	Welcome and Opening Remarks by Jocelin Ramirez, SNAP Legislative Coordinator
9:10 AM - 9:45 AM	Presentation by Former Representatives Kevin Schreiber • Question & Answer's Session
9:45 AM - 9:50 AM	First Break
9:50 AM - 10:30 AM	Presentation by ANA member Alison Hernandez • Questions & Answers Session
10:30 AM - 10:40 AM	Second Break
10:40 AM - 11:05 AM	Presentation by Former Legislative Coordinator Liz Long • Question & Answer Session
11:05 AM - 11:15 AM	Third Break
11:15 AM - 11:40 AM	Presentation by Representative Bridgett Kosierowski • Questions & Answers Session
11:40 AM - 12:00 PM	Virtual Tour of Pennsylvania Capitol and Activity • Closing Remarks by Jocelin Ramirez

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Graduation Pins and Cords are Available

SNAP graduation pins and cords are available for purchase on the SNAP homepage. Each item is \$15.

Complete the JotForm with your request and information. You can choose to be invoiced with payment by check or use PayPal.

Congratulations to all of the graduates! SNAP is excited to celebrate graduate season with you! Thank you for being such an important part of the SNAP Community. SNAP will also have pins and cords available at NSNA for purchase.

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SNAP CALENDAR

APRIL 2026

- **NSNA April 8-11**
- **Deadline** for May INSIGHT: Friday, April 24

MAY 2026

- **Deadline** for June INSIGHT: Monday, May 25

JUNE 2026

- SNAP Board of Directors Meeting, TBD

JULY 2026

- **Deadline** for August INSIGHT: Monday, July 27

AUGUST 2026

- **Deadline** for September INSIGHT: Monday, August 24

SEPTEMBER 2026

- **Deadline** for October INSIGHT: Monday, September 25
- SNAP Board of Directors Meeting, TBD

OCTOBER 2026

- **Deadline** for **Chapter Constituency Status** (determines # of delegates for SNAP convention. NSNA will send list of members at the end of day): Thursday, **October 15**
- **Deadline** for **Resolutions: 12 midnight** on Thursday, **October 15**
- **Deadline** for Abstracts for **SNAP Poster Session: 12 midnight** on Thursday, **October 15**
- **Deadline** for **Chapter/Individual Awards: 12 midnight** on Thursday, **October 15**
- **Deadline** for November INSIGHT: Monday, **October 26**
- **Deadline** for **SNAP Consent To Serve applications** (running for SNAP Board/NEC positions) **12 midnight** on Wednesday, **October 28**

NOVEMBER 2026

- **Deadline** for **SCORE Challenge Bowl** Registration: **12 midnight** on Monday, **November 2**
 - **Deadline** to register for SNAP Convention: **12 midnight** on Monday, **November 2**
 - **SNAP 74th ANNUAL CONVENTION AT THE KALAHARI RESORTS IN THE POCONOS: NOVEMBER 18 – 20, 2026**
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Dear SNAP Member/Faculty Advisor:

I encourage you to submit articles and photos pertinent to other nursing students in Pennsylvania to be included in the next issue of INSIGHT. This is your newsletter and vehicle to let others know what is happening at your school and chapter.

The deadline to receive these items is approximately the first day of the month of publication. Send your articles to snap@snap-online.org or to me at secretarytreasurer@snap-online.org.

We look forward to hearing from you soon!

Sincerely,

Sarah Weisbeck, SNAP Secretary Treasurer



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