Mission: To establish and instill skill-based restaurant/foodservice industry standards for educators teaching restaurant/foodservice programs

Goal: To improve student learning by strengthening pedagogy within restaurant/foodservice education at the secondary-level. Identify areas of knowledge, skills and accomplishments foundational to effective pedagogy in high school restaurant/foodservice education at the secondary level; establish a certification for secondary educators based on the components identified; and identify and/or develop appropriate continuing education programs/courses to support the certification.

Objectives
1) To improve/enhance the content knowledge, technical and teaching skills of secondary restaurant/foodservice educators.
2) To promote industry-driven, continuing education and professional development.
3) To provide an educational platform opportunity to satisfy certification/credential requirements of state and local school districts and professional/trade associations.

Certified Secondary Foodservice Educator Requirements

To be eligible to apply for the Certified Secondary Foodservice Educator industry certificate, the candidate should meet the following requirements:

1) Bachelors or Associates degree from an accredited institution or from recognized teacher education institution
   a) Acceptable documentation: copy of unofficial transcript, photo of diploma
2) Attend the NRAEF Summer Institutes, Levels 1 through 3, and successfully pass the exam for each Level.
   a) A waiver is available for Level 1 for educators with degrees in Hotel and Restaurant Management, Culinary Arts, or who hold a current ACF certification.
3) 120 hours Industry Work Experience (more information may be found on Page 3 of this application)
NRAEF Certified Secondary Foodservice Educator
Application Form

Application Information:

Name: ________________________________________________________________________

Job Title: _____________________________________________________________________

Name of School: ________________________________________________________________

Home Mailing Address: ___________________________________________________________

Phone: _____________________________________________________________________

E-mail: _____________________________________________________________________

Educational Background Information:

Undergraduate Degree

College/University: _____________________________________________________________

Year/Major/Minor: _______________________________________________________________

Graduate Degree

College/University: _____________________________________________________________

Year/Major/Minor: _______________________________________________________________
Work Experience Requirements

- 120 Hours Industry Work Experience should be new experience. Work experience prior to 2006 will not be accepted
- Suggested types of experience for worksite placement:
  - Supervised, on the job, paid, and serving the general public. This may be in a variety of segments including: Quick Serve, Fast Casual, Full Service, Fine Dining, and Catering establishments. Work experience should include placements outside the normal scope of your position as an culinary arts educator.
- Suggested areas to be covered: Operations-front and back of the house and Management/Supervision-optional

For questions about whether or not a specific position would qualify, please contact ProStart staff at prostart@nraef.org.

Documentation of Work Hours
Please submit timesheet, timecard, or a letter from your industry supervisor, or accountant on company letterhead documenting time worked.

Written Report of Experience
Please provide a list of areas that were covered during worksite experience and a brief description of duties. Please attach to the application.

Name of Company/Employer: ________________________________

Industry Supervisor/Representative: ________________________________

Mailing Address: _________________________________________

Office Telephone: ________________________________

E-mail: ________________________________

Maintenance of Industry Certification

The CSFE designation is valid for five (5) years. Requirements for renewal are available online at https://www.chooserestaurants.org/Programs-and-Scholarships/Professional-Development/Education-Certification
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Applicant: ________________________________________________________________

- Completed Application
- Bachelors or Associates degree from an accredited institution or from recognized teacher education institution
- NRAEF Summer Institute Level I: Basic
  - Date and location: _____________________________________________________
- Level II: Advanced & Pass Level II Test
  - Date and location: _____________________________________________________
- Level III: Mastery & Pass Level III Test
  - Date and location: _____________________________________________________
- 120 Hours Industry Work Experience as outlined in the Work Experience Requirements
- Industry Time Sheet, Time Card, or letter from Supervisor or Accountant
- Written Report of Experience

Please submit completed application and supporting documentation either by mail, email or fax.

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