The Golden Key Achievement Award program is a set of criteria designed to recognize the great school meal accomplishments in a single school. This award includes recognition for activities that complement current program regulations and best practices. The purpose of the award is to promote benchmarks of excellence across North Carolina and to honor School Nutrition programs maintaining high standards. Participation in this award fosters ongoing professional development and improvement in the school nutrition environment and aligns with the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) professional development learning codes.

Fourteen schools participated, and four entries were submitted for the state-wide judging and presentation at the SNA-NC Conference in June. Congratulations to the winners!

First place
Iredell Statesville Schools
Troutman Elementary School
Sharron Saunders, Manager

Second place
Department of Public Safety, Division of Juvenile Justice
Alexander Juvenile Detention Center
Beverly Cash, Cook Supervisor

Third place
Beaufort County Schools
Bath Elementary School
Ione Alligood, Manager

Please consider entering your school for this award in 2020. More information can be found at: http://childnutrition.ncpublicschools.gov/information-resources/awards-recognition-opportunities