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SafeSchools Helps Ensure Food Safety in Schools

CINCINNATI, OH, February 10, 2009 –SafeSchools has taken the initiative to address the growing concern regarding food safety in our school systems. In the past few months, incidents such as the salmonella outbreak in peanut butter and growing number of students with food-borne illnesses have had school officials more concerned than ever with the safety of their students' food. Both President Obama and the FDA are working on ways to strengthen and reform the current food-safety system.

To help ensure food safety in our schools, SafeSchools is releasing a series of Nutrition Services training courses. The training series focuses on proper food preparation, sanitation and nutrition.

“Food safety is a significant focus of the new administration’s agenda – and rightly so. We’re pleased to offer new training courses for nutrition service workers to help ensure food safety in America’s schools.” said Brian Taylor, SafeSchools’ President. The new courses are in keeping with SafeSchools’ goal to provide safety and compliance resources, which meet the unique needs of academic institutions.

The Nutrition Services bundle of courses will include the following titles:

- Foodborne Illnesses
- Food Service Equipment: Sanitation
- Food Service Equipment: Safe Use
- School Meal Compliance

The courses are ideal for any school district employee working in food service. According to Author and School Nutrition Specialist Art Dunham, “Food service workers who prepare the meals for a school have a very important job. Not only are they responsible for making the meals they serve students varied and appetizing, but also for keeping the kitchen and cafeteria free of germs and bacteria that could potentially make the students sick”.

Art Dunham , Food Service Professional and School Nutrition Specialist, authored all of the Nutrition Services bundle courses. Mr. Dunham is the former President of the Florida School Food Service Association and currently serves numerous positions in the school

nutrition field including Secretary/Treasurer for the School Nutrition Association, Assistant Director of School Food Services at Pinellas County Schools, and member of the International Association of Food Service.

SafeSchools is an online safety training and tracking system designed specifically for school employees. SafeSchools offers more than 100 safety training courses, which are all 100% school-focused and written by the country's top safety experts. The company serves over 1600 school districts nation-wide.

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