

--2021 SNA of SC Hall of Fame Inductee--

MRS. TALLULAH RICHARDSON



Tallulah worked in Laurens School District 56 for 28 years. She was a very active member of the SC School Nutrition Association. The years that Tallulah was Director, schools were not mandated to serve breakfast. She was the first in the state to pilot breakfast programs in one of her schools and continued to add the breakfast programs in each of the schools. She would always promote proper nutrition and worked to cut fat out of the schools' menus even before mandated. (She stills tells the story of when her ladies would bring fatback into the schools to use in recipes in their purse.) While employed with Laurens District 56 she oversaw two new school construction, the kitchens were built to the standards needed. She also worked to centralize the district, where all menus would come from her, and she oversaw the ordering and making sure procurement was done. She purchased the first serving line computer and centralized the accounting system for the department of child

nutrition. She was a true leader and moved the district forward during her time at Laurens County School District 56.

Tallulah held several board positions on the SNA of SC board during her employment and each year she would attend the National and State Conferences and bring back ideas to implement in the district to enhance the Child Nutrition Program.

Even since retiring, Tallulah tries to keep up with child nutrition, she will call and check on how things are going in the district. She also worked with the SC Coaches Association and helped promote scholarships for young men and women to go to college. When she retired from the SCACA an award was named after her, the "Tallulah and Keith Richardson Distinguished Service Award". This is given to someone that goes beyond the call of duty and makes a difference in the lives of young people; and it is for this same reason and more that we congratulate Tallulah on the honor of being inducted into the SNA of SC Hall of Fame.