



COLORADO P-EBT REPORT

School Year 2020–2021

WHO CARDS WERE ISSUED TO:

SNAP Head of Household for Child Care/SNAP Under 6 benefits; students eligible through school enrollment data were sent a new P-EBT card in the student's name.

COMMUNICATIONS AND OUTREACH PLAN FOR 2020–2021:

Dedicated website, social media promotion, press releases, statewide messaging campaign, including partner newsletter and school communications, as well as flyers, mailers, and text messaging.

NUMBER OF SCHOOL-AGE CHILDREN SERVED:
365,044

DATE TO START ISSUING SCHOOL-AGE BENEFITS:
Late May 2021

NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN CHILD CARE SERVED:
95,699

DATE TO START ISSUING CHILD CARE BENEFITS:
August 31, 2021

Summer 2021

STANDARD BENEFIT (Y/N):
Yes

NUMBER OF SCHOOL-AGE CHILDREN SERVED:
400,416

NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN CHILD CARE SERVED:
77,180

TOTAL ESTIMATED SCHOOL-AGE BENEFIT ISSUANCE FOR SUMMER:
\$150,156,000

TOTAL ESTIMATED CHILD CARE BENEFIT ISSUANCE FOR SUMMER:
\$28,942,500

SUMMARIES

SUMMARY OF HOW STATE COLLECTED NAMES FOR ISSUANCE: The Colorado Department of Education (CDE) will compare student data from the May 31 P-EBT collection to CDE's existing End-of-Year (EOY) data collection to verify that free and reduced-price (F/RP) eligible students remained enrolled in an National School Lunch Program (NSLP) school during the last month of the school year before issuing Summer P-EBT benefits. CDE held an additional data collection in August 2021 and September 2021 to identify students newly eligible for FRPL between the May data collection and June 30, 2021, then for reports of students newly eligible for FRPL after July 1, 2021, respectively. CDE then used all four collections (April, May, August, September), compared against the existing end of year data, to verify NSLP enrollment in the last month of the school year.

SUMMARY OF HOW THE STATE IDENTIFIED NEWLY ELIGIBLE STUDENTS: CDE is instructing districts to only submit data in the August collection for students who submitted a F/RP application by the last day of classes and had those applications processed by June 30, 2021.

SUMMARY OF HOW STATE COLLECTED NAMES FOR CHILDREN UNDER 6: The Colorado Department of Human Services (CDHS) will identify all children under 6 (as of October 1, 2020) through its SNAP eligibility system. CDHS will pull each child's SNAP activity for June, July, and/or August to determine eligibility for Summer P-EBT benefits.

SUMMARY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND OUTREACH PLAN FOR SUMMER 2021: See School Year Communications and Outreach Summary.

SUMMARY OF DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROCESS: If a parent/guardian disputes their child's eligibility for P-EBT or the amount of the child's PEBT benefit, the P-EBT Call Center will be able to research the child's case through a limited view portal into Colorado Benefits Management System and the data repository. For a child who was not included on the school's list of eligible children where the parent/guardian believe the child should have been included (e.g. because the child is enrolled in SNAP or F/RP meals), the P-EBT Call Center will establish a process for regular communication with the relevant school district for the school district to investigate the concern and take appropriate next steps.

DATE TO START ISSUING BENEFITS: December 2021