



ILLINOIS P-EBT REPORT

School Year 2020–2021

WHO CARDS WERE ISSUED TO:

Eligible child

COMMUNICATIONS AND OUTREACH PLAN FOR 2020–2021:

Written press releases and news announcements, social media, and website posts.

NUMBER OF SCHOOL-AGE CHILDREN SERVED:

999,682

DATE TO START ISSUING SCHOOL-AGE BENEFITS:

March 8, 2021

NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN CHILD CARE SERVED:

336,395

DATE TO START ISSUING CHILD CARE BENEFITS:

June 2021

Summer 2021

STANDARD BENEFIT (Y/N):

Yes

NUMBER OF SCHOOL-AGE CHILDREN SERVED:

1,188,369

NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN CHILD CARE SERVED:

336,395

TOTAL ESTIMATED SCHOOL-AGE BENEFIT ISSUANCE FOR SUMMER:

\$445,638,375

TOTAL ESTIMATED CHILD CARE BENEFIT ISSUANCE FOR SUMMER:

\$126,148,125

SUMMARIES

SUMMARY OF HOW STATE COLLECTED NAMES

FOR ISSUANCE: Illinois will look at student enrollment in the month of May/June 2021 at eligible schools. Additionally we will look at any child that was outplaced by an National School Lunch Program home school into a nonprofit-serving school. For any child that is enrolled, we will then review for “free/reduced meal” eligibility, which is either a low-income indicator or enrollment in a Community Eligibility Provision school.

SUMMARY OF HOW THE STATE IDENTIFIED NEWLY

ELIGIBLE STUDENTS: The school year 20–21 information will remain editable in the Illinois State Board of Education Student Information System (SIS) until July 31, 2021. Schools that have staff onsite through the summer will be able to update free/reduced-price lunch (FRL)

status for students throughout the summer. Schools that do not have staff on sight will have time, prior to the closure of SIS, once staff are back onsite to review applications that were received prior to July 31, 2021, and update FRL status for the prior school year.

SUMMARY OF HOW STATE COLLECTED NAMES

FOR CHILDREN UNDER 6: The state will utilize an Structured Query Language query to identify children that were eligible based on the following criteria, which does not include residence; child is under 6 years of age as of October 1, 2020; child was eligible for SNAP benefits for at least one month in May 2021 through July 2021; child has not already received Summer P-EBT through the school Summer P-EBT issuance process.

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

SUMMARY OF DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROCESS:

Illinois will utilize the established designated P-EBT email box for inquiries regarding P-EBT. Illinois will either stand up a designated 800 number or add an option to the existing help desk to route customers that have questions or concerns about their P-EBT benefits. At the Illinois Department of Human Services, 28–33 staff from both regional office and central office will be reassigned to work P-EBT inquires and corrections.

DATE TO START ISSUING BENEFITS: August 11, 2021