



# MONTANA P-EBT REPORT

## School Year 2020–2021

WHO CARDS WERE ISSUED TO:

**Eligible child (for multiple children, under the name of the oldest child)**

COMMUNICATIONS AND OUTREACH PLAN FOR 2020–2021:

**Collaboration with Montana Food Bank Network, notices to households.**

NUMBER OF SCHOOL-AGE CHILDREN SERVED:

**22,548**

DATE TO START ISSUING SCHOOL-AGE BENEFITS:

**April 2021**

NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN CHILD CARE SERVED:

**14,500**

DATE TO START ISSUING CHILD CARE BENEFITS:

**xx**

## Summer 2021

STANDARD BENEFIT (Y/N):

**Yes**

NUMBER OF SCHOOL-AGE CHILDREN SERVED:

**75,000**

NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN CHILD CARE SERVED:

**22,548**

TOTAL ESTIMATED SCHOOL-AGE BENEFIT ISSUANCE FOR SUMMER:

**\$28,125,000**

TOTAL ESTIMATED CHILD CARE BENEFIT ISSUANCE FOR SUMMER:

**\$8,455,500**

### SUMMARIES

**SUMMARY OF HOW STATE COLLECTED NAMES FOR ISSUANCE:** Montana will use its “master list,” which is a cumulation of all children who have received P-EBT data that has been received from our Office of Public Instruction or directly from school districts on who is eligible for free and reduced lunches.

**SUMMARY OF HOW THE STATE IDENTIFIED NEWLY ELIGIBLE STUDENTS:** Montana is requesting schools to submit files with any newly eligible children no later than July 26, 2021.

**SUMMARY OF HOW STATE COLLECTED NAMES FOR CHILDREN UNDER 6:** Montana will utilize its CHIMES (the eligibility system in Montana) to identify all children ages 0–5 who were eligible for SNAP in one or more of the following months: June and July. Any child eligible for SNAP and who are enrolled in the NSLP-participating school at the end of school year 2020–2021 will be issued 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:** Montana will have a phone line and email address set up to address any issuance errors. There will be designated staff to research the questions and take appropriate action as needed, based on the client request. We will track the disputes on a spreadsheet to ensure that whatever caused the issuance error is corrected for the next issuance.

**DATE TO START ISSUING BENEFITS:** August 9, 2021