## School Year 2020–2021

**WHO CARDS WERE ISSUED TO:**

Head of Household

**COMMUNICATIONS AND OUTREACH PLAN FOR 2020–2021:**

Press releases, social media and website posts, and flyer distribution.

**NUMBER OF SCHOOL-AGE CHILDREN SERVED:**

2,900,705

**DATE TO START ISSUING SCHOOL-AGE BENEFITS:**

May 24, 2021

**NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN CHILD CARE SERVED:**

800,000

**DATE TO START ISSUING CHILD CARE BENEFITS:**

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**SUMMARY OF HOW STATE COLLECTED NAMES FOR ISSUANCE:**

Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) will utilize school year 2020–2021 data files received from Texas Department of Agriculture and Texas Education Agency (TEA). Because schools reported the virtual attendance percentage (VAP) per month and National School Lunch Program (NSLP) eligibility for the school year, HHSC will be able to identify NSLP eligible children regardless of their VAP in the last month of school.

**SUMMARY OF HOW THE STATE IDENTIFIED NEWLY ELIGIBLE STUDENTS:**

An online portal has been developed to allow school districts to directly upload data for the newly eligible population. Schools must process the student eligibility applications received between June 1 and August 28, 2021, and upload data to HHSC by September 30, 2021. This includes students attending newly eligible Community Eligibility Provision and Provision 2 campus in school year 2021–2022 that complete the household application or TEA socioeconomic application and are income eligible.

**SUMMARY OF HOW STATE COLLECTED NAMES FOR CHILDREN UNDER 6:**

HHSC will verify child care eligibility using a data extract for our eligibility system to identify eligible children receiving SNAP benefits from the beginning to the end of the covered summer period.

**SUMMARY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND OUTREACH PLAN FOR SUMMER 2021:**

See School Year Communications and Outreach Summary.

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## Summer 2021

**STANDARD BENEFIT (Y/N):**

Yes

**NUMBER OF SCHOOL-AGE CHILDREN SERVED:**

2,900,705

**NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN CHILD CARE SERVED:**

800,000

**TOTAL ESTIMATED SCHOOL-AGE BENEFIT ISSUANCE FOR SUMMER:**

$1,087,764,375

**TOTAL ESTIMATED CHILD CARE BENEFIT ISSUANCE FOR SUMMER:**

$300,000,000

**SUMMARY OF DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROCESS:**

If a parent receives a letter of denial for P-EBT for the child or the parent is not in agreement with the P-EBT amount received for an approved child based on the actual attendance mode, the parent will have the opportunity to initiate a review process through a link that can be accessed through YourTexasBenefits.com or by calling the 2-1-1 P-EBT hotline. HHSC staff will be available to conduct inquiry and address these on a case by case basis.

**DATE TO START ISSUING BENEFITS:**

September 13, 2021