Greetings to all Dallas School District Families-

We want to be sure all our families are aware of assistance that has become available through The Families First Coronavirus Response Act of 2020. This act has provided funding which will be available to families whose children receive free or reduced price meals. Households that qualify will receive benefits equivalent to one free lunch and one free breakfast for each eligible child—\$5.70 per normal school day for the months of March, April, May and June.

You will find detailed information in this linked document.

Pandemic-Electronic Benefit Transfer (P-EBT) information for Parents

School Districts were asked to provide information about eligibility to the appropriate state agencies. This was completed by Dallas SD but will only include households that have approved Free and Reduced Price Meal applications as of May 12, 2020.

\*\*Important\*\* You may still apply for Free and Reduced Price Meals and receive these benefits retroactive to the first of the month in which your application is approved. For example, if you apply and receive approval on May 25th, your benefit will begin on May 1. We will send another updated file in June to capture families that apply after May 12, 2020.

We know the pandemic has reduced income levels for many of our families in significant and challenging ways. We invite you to apply now for these benefits by using this link.

<u>Apply Here.</u>

May you all be well and stay safe.

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