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[Your district name] is participating in the USDA’s waiver which allows schools to operate the Seamless Summer Option (SSO) for School Year 2021-2022.

**What this means for you:**

*Your student will receive meals at no cost for the entire 2021-2022 school year.*

Please complete the enclosed income eligibility application. Although your student will be receiving meals at no cost, completion of the application is important for the following reasons:

* **P-EBT Benefits:** Households may be eligible for Pandemic-EBT benefits through the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services. P-EBT benefits are based in part on eligibility for Free and Reduced-Price meals.
* **Fee Waivers and Health Insurance:** Student Free and Reduced-Price meal eligibility can be shared with other programs (with parental consent) for the purposes of fee waivers, scholarships, Medicaid and SCHIP.
* **School Benefits:** Your school receives State and local funding based on the number of students eligible for Free and Reduced-Price meals.

**Important:** Your student(s) will continue to receive meals at no cost for the 2021-22 school year regardless of the eligibility determination of your household’s SY2021-22 application.