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HISD closing community food distribution program

Campus curbside pickup for student meals to continue through end of school year

May 25, 2021 — With just three weeks left in the school year and public health conditions improving across the city, the Houston Independent School District is preparing to shut down its Neighborhood Supersite community food distribution program.

The two final distributions will be held this Wednesday, May 26, 2021 and next Wednesday, June 2, 2021. Both will be held from 2 to 6 p.m. at Barnett Stadium, 6800 Fairway Drive. No further Saturday distributions are scheduled.

At the final two community distributions, food and supplies are available to all and student meals are available to anyone aged 1 to 18. If children are not in the car, families must provide a birth certificate or proof of school enrollment for each child needing meals.

"I am so proud of this team and our partners for stepping up when our community needed them most," Nutrition Services Officer Betti Wiggins said. "We knew our students and families needed help and they offered it without hesitation."

HISD's Nutrition Services department launched its community food distribution program last March, just days after the district had to close its doors due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Since then, the team has worked six-days-a-week, staffed more than 10,000 distribution sites, distributed more than 44 million pounds of food and household supplies, and prepared and served more than 8.9 million meals — all while maintaining standard cafeteria services for face-to-face students.

Campus Curbside Pick-up

Student meals for virtual learners are available via curbside pick-up at designated locations on Mondays and Thursdays through Thursday, June 10, 2021. *Note: Sites will be closed Monday, May 31, 2021, for Memorial Day. To accommodate the closure, a week's worth of meals will be provided on Thursday, May 27.*

Apartment Complex distributions

Student meal delivery to select apartment complexes will continue through Friday, Aug. 20, 2021. *Note: Distributions are canceled Friday, May 28, 2021, and Monday, May 31, 2021 due to Memorial Day.*

For a complete list of distribution times and locations, visit https://hubentschip.com/hube

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