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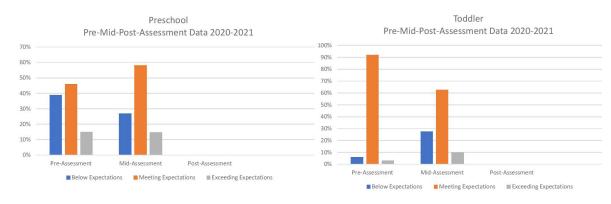
WEEK OF 01/25 TO 01/29

#### **EARLY EDUCATION**

• In the coming weeks, teachers will be reaching out to arrange Parent-Teacher Conferences. These will be online, not in person. Please choose a time to meet with your child's teachers so they can update you on your child's progress. Thank you!

• Neighborhood House just started a new partnership with the Salt Lake Community College Occupational Therapy Assistant program. We are developing two different projects together, one for clients in the Sensory Room and another one for sensory materials to be used in the classrooms. Please reach out to Mallory@nhutah.org ir you would like to learn more about this project.

• We want to share the results of the pre and mid assessment checkpoints for preschool children and toddlers in our program. Please see results bellow:





#### FAMILY SUPPORT CENTER

We have learned that the National Partnership for New Americans has created flyers and graphics on the second COVID-19 stimulus payment. The content covers frequently asked questions ranging from eligibility, expectations, and tax impacts. We believe this is important information for our communities to be aware of. Please find it on the second and third pages of this newsletter.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

• Tax Clinics - The Westminster Tax Clinic offers free tax preparation and financial advocacy services to low-to-moderate income families. Local students and volunteers gain practical experience while serving the community and are dedicated to being available to anyone in need. The 2021 clinic will be open until April, 15 2021. For more information, visit the <u>Westminster College Tax Clinic Website</u>.

Sorensen Community Campus Assistance

For help with computers, internet, and other digital technology, reach out to the Sorensen Community Campus. They offer free digital support. Call: 801-535-6034 If they don't answer, you can leave them a message and they will call you back.



### COVID UPDATES

State's Free COVID-19 Testing

The Utah Department of Health (UDOH) continues to offer free rapid antigen testing at many locations throughout the state of Utah. New sites are targeted each week based on high positivity rates, fewer tests conducted, untreated wastewater

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sampling, and other surveillance data. Some locations will be drive-through while others will be conducted in buildings. Everyone is encouraged to wear masks and social distance while waiting in lines. Anyone older than age 5 can get tested at these free testing clinics, even if they do not have symptoms of COVID-19. Anyone who has any symptoms, even mild ones, should come and get tested. Please register online. If you do not register online or can't register online, you will be able to register at the site but it will take longer for you to be tested. Identification may be required. These testing clinics are designed to more quickly identify people who are currently infectious with COVID-19, including those who may not even know they are infected because they don't have symptoms. Identifying these individuals will help slow the spread of infection in the community. Rapid antigen tests are less sensitive than PCR tests. This means PCR tests are better than antigen tests at detecting the virus, particularly when a person has small amounts of virus in their body. If an individual has symptoms and tests negative on the rapid antigen test or an individual doesn't have symptoms and tests positive on the rapid antigen test, they will be referred for a follow up, confirmation PCR test.

• Herriman High School, 11917 S Mustang Trail, Herriman (drive-through), Wednesday, 1/27 and Thursday, 1/28 – 3:30 pm. to 7 pm. <u>Register here.</u>

• Cannon Health Building, 288 N 1460 W, Salt Lake City, Monday-Friday, 7 am. to 3 pm. <u>Register here.</u>

• Utah State Fair Park (building #51), 155 N 1000 W, Salt Lake City, Monday – Saturday, 11 am. – 7 pm. <u>Register here.</u>

• Cottonwood High School, 5715 1300 E, Murray, Wednesday, 1/27 and Thursday, 1/28, 4 pm. to 8 pm. (both days) <u>Register here.</u>

### **NOURISH TO FLOURISH MENU**



Monday

Creamy Mac&Cheese with Beef Sausage Roasted Seasoned Potatoes with Sauteed Seasonal Veggies

Tuesday

Chicken Enchiladas in Ancho Chile Sauce - Mexican Rice, Seasoned Pinto Beans, and Variety of Traditional Toppings



Wednesday
Grilled Chicken - Fettuccine Alfredo, Steamed Veggies and
Fresh Baked Dinner Roll



• Thursday

Hamburger Steaks with Mushroom Sauce - Creamy Mashed Potatoes, Malibu Vegetables, and Fresh Baked Dinner Roll



 Friday
BBQ Chicken Quarters - Homemade Potato Salad and Southern Style Coleslaw



## Economic Impact Payment - "Stimulus Payments"

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

**Summary:** On December 27th, 2020 the COVID-related Tax Relief Act of 2020 was passed into law. This act included stimulus payments to eligible taxpayers. Below you will find answers to the most frequently asked questions around eligibility and disbursement payment.

#### Who is eligible for the Second Economic Impact Payment?

• According to the IRS, Tax filers with a valid SSN who are not claimed as a dependent of another taxpayer are eligible for this second payment. In addition, U.S. citizens and green card holders will be able to receive direct aid, even if they filed a joint tax return with an undocumented spouse.

#### How has eligibility changed for new stimulus payments?

- Under the CARES Act passed in March of 2020 both spouses had to have social security numbers in order to receive the \$1200 payment. This requirement has changed. Now only one spouse is required to have a social security number.
- <u>This change in eligibility retroactively applies the new rules to the first round of</u> <u>stimulus payments.</u> The IRS has already begun making these payments. If you do not receive the payment you can claim \$1,200, plus an additional \$500 for each qualifying child, as a recovery rebate credit on your 2020 tax return.

#### How much money will a person receive?

- Individual tax filers will receive \$600 and \$1,200 for married couples filing joint returns. Families will also receive \$600 per dependent under the age of 16. <u>Dependents 17 and</u> <u>older are not eligible for child payment</u>.
- If you have adjusted gross income for 2019 up to \$75,000 for individuals and up to \$150,000 for married couples filing joint returns and surviving spouses, you will receive the full amount of the second payment.

#### How do I find out if the IRS is sending me a payment?

- Anyone who filed a 2019 tax return will be eligible for the stimulus payment. If you did not file your 2019 tax return the payment can be claimed by filing a 2020 tax return in 2021.
- People who believe they are eligible for Economic Impact Payments can check the status of their checks Here: <u>https://www.irs.gov/coronavirus/get-my-payment</u>

#### Will my second stimulus check be seized for rent or debt?

- The second stimulus payment has protections in place that ensure that it will not be subject to garnishment from **private creditors**, **debt collectors**, **or banks**.
- Second-round stimulus money will not be taken to pay back taxes or debts owed to federal and state governments.

#### How does the stimulus payment affect my taxes?

• The stimulus payment is not taxable.

Links/Resources: IRS Press Release, ABIC FAQ, CNET Important Facts

For questions or more information, please contact Kevin Olickal, <u>kevin@partnershipfornewamericans.org</u> or Magaly Arteaga, <u>magaly@partnershipfornewamericans.org</u>

#### WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT ECONOMIC IMPACT PAYMENT -"STIMULUS PAYMENTS"

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- If you do not receive the payment directly you can claim it on your 2020 tax return.
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