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## **Rhodes School for the Performing Arts to Serve Up Good Nutrition for Local Children This Summer**

*Bringing healthy summer meals from May 29 – July 2, 2024, to RSPA’s Humble & Northshore campus children will ensure our kids have a healthy vacation and return to school ready to learn.*

**Houston & Humble, TX** – This summer, Rhodes School for the Performing Arts will connect children 18 and younger and enrolled students with disabilities up to 21 years old with healthy, no-cost summer meals. The Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) is a U.S. Department of Agriculture nutrition program administered in the Lone Star State by the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA). For the children who rely on school meals during the academic year, these meals offer a source of good nutrition when school is out for the long summer vacation.

“Humble and Houston area children need good nutrition year-round to learn, grow, and succeed in life,” said Jennie LaCour, District Child Nutrition Coordinator. “With nearly 2 million food insecure children living in Texas, these healthy meals are vital to nourishing young Texans during the summer vacation.”

For the remaining summer dates, you can find free meals at your local zoned school by [clicking here](#) for detailed locations & times or Text FOOD to 304-304.

Rhodes School for the Performing Arts is one of the nonprofit organizations partnering with TDA to serve meals across Texas. Families are encouraged to use these three tools to find a meal site anywhere in the state:

- Call 2-1-1 to speak to a live operator
- Visit [www.SummerFood.org](http://www.SummerFood.org) for an interactive site locator map
- Text FOOD or COMIDA to 304-304

Organizations partner with TDA to serve meals in areas where more than 50 percent of children are eligible for free or reduced-price meals in the National School Lunch Program. Eligible sponsoring organizations include schools, faith-based groups, nonprofit summer camps, government agencies, and other tax-exempt organizations. All meal sites must be sponsored by an organization with a contract with TDA.

Summer meal sites help children succeed by providing the nourishment they need to return to school in the fall, ready to thrive.

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*Rhodes School for the Performing Arts is a Fine Arts Magnet School of Distinction. Established in 2007 by Michelle Bonton, RSPA serves over 400 students in grades Pre-K-8 across two Houston campus locations. RSPA boasts a STEAM curriculum and is home to several Fine Art ensembles such as choir, visual arts, percussion, piano, dance, violin, and theatre arts. Rhodes School for the Performing Arts is dedicated to providing students with an exceptionally well-rounded and innovative learning experience.*

*To learn more about RSPA, visit [RhodesSchool.org](http://RhodesSchool.org).*