## K-12 Schools Census Outreach Resources What Parents Need to Know



Census data is used to fund federal programs for schools. In Colorado, districts from 2011 to 2018 received more than \$3.5 billion in federal funding to support school programs such as: school nutrition, after school, special education, English Language Learners, Native American students, farm workers, youth experiencing homeless, and Head Start programs.

Your participation matters. Counting all children, even those in preschool, is essential for Colorado's schools to receive their fair amount of funding.

## The Census is Safe

- Under Title 13 of the U.S. Code, the Census Bureau cannot release any identifiable information about individuals, households, or businesses even to law enforcement agencies.
- Your responses to the 2020 Census are safe, secure, and protected by federal law. Your answers can only be used to produce statistics- these cannot be used against you!
- All U.S. Census bureau staff take a lifetime oath to protect your personal information and any violation comes with a penalty of up to five years in prison and/or a \$250,000 fine. This is the law.





There are 12 languages available by phone.

## The Census Never Asks for:

- Credit card numbers
- Your immigration status
- Your Money

## When will it be conducted?

- Census Day is April 1, 2020. Data collection will begin in March 2020 and continue through July 2020.
- Households will receive a postcard with instructions for completing the census beginning in March 2020. Non-response follow up will go from May through July.

