



# Jamaica Youth Education Support

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APRIL 2021

**UPDATE: Emergency Food Assistance (EFA) program continues:** In March, 2019, Covid-19 related school lock downs and a transition to virtual learning resulted in a significant disruption of the students receiving what was often their only nutritious meal of the day. Working with the principals and their staff, we created the EFA program. Utilizing funds previously earmarked for the school meal programs, school administrators purchased various basic food items in bulk, repackaged the groceries into smaller parcels and then either delivered them to student households or notified parents they were available for pick up. Over 450 EFA packages have reached the homes of those students most in need. We anticipate the EFA program will continue until in-person learning resumes next school year.

We would like to thank all of our donors for your generosity and support during these trying times. Without you, the EFA program would not be possible.

## SCHOOL YEAR

2020



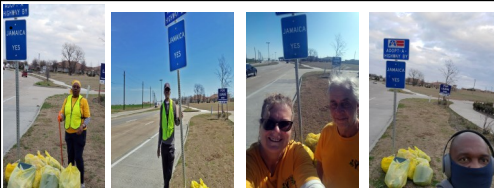
2021

- 1,800 # of meals funded to underserved students per week
- 450+ # of EFA packages funded to students and their families
- 8 # of schools supported for this school year

After a brief attempt to reopen schools in February, 2021, they were once again closed due to a spike in the number of Covid-19 cases. Students who had devices and internet access returned to online learning. For the large number of children that lacked either a device or connectivity, principals and teachers ensured they received hard copies of their lessons. Eventually the Jamaican government provided tablets to most of the 4-6 grade students so they could prepare for their exams.

We would like to commend the principals, teachers, and parents for your perseverance in providing the best possible learning experience to the children in the 2020/2021 school year. You are also to be commended for your commitment to the EFA program in the face of the pandemic to ensure households with food insecure students received much needed packages of food.

**GOLFERS, SPONSORS & VOLUNTEERS** - Jamaica YES is hosting it's first golf tournament— come join us. Sign up to golf before June 1st and receive 5 free raffle tickets (\$20 value). Sign up as a foursome and receive a discounted entry fee (\$50 savings). Golfers, sponsors & volunteers sign up—click the link in column to the right.



**Adopt-A- Hwy** - Adopt-A-Hwy litter clean up - The first one for 2021 and the litter bugs were out in force. Eight bags of litter were collected. Doing our part to help keep Allen, Texas beautiful.

Donations can be made at <https://jamaicayes.org/donate>

Or, checks can be made payable to:

**Jamaica YES**

Mailed to:

4413 Cannock Drive, McKinney, TX 75070



## 2021 EVENTS

**Coming Soon:**

**Panda Express Virtual Fundraiser**  
28% of sales nationwide  
go to **Jamaica YES**

**Additional information to be posted on Jamaica YES website and Facebook page**

**2021 CHANGING CHILDREN'S LIVES GOLF TOURNAMENT**  
**SATURDAY, JULY 17th 8:00am**

**Coyote Ridge Golf Club, Carrollton, TX**  
Online auction now open to everyone!  
[Click here](#) to go to tournament website

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

**Saturday, July 17th, 8:00am**  
**2021 Changing Children's Lives Golf Tournament**  
**Coyote Ridge Golf Club**  
**Carrollton, TX**

[Click here](#) to sign up  
Volunteer opportunities for this event will be outdoors and follow CDC guidelines.

For additional volunteer opportunities, please check out our Facebook events page.

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