

**Need a little help feeding your kids when school is out for summer?**

## **Learn how the new Summer EBT Program can help you!**

Summer EBT is a new federal program to help families buy food for their school-aged children during the summer. Families will receive \$120 loaded onto an EBT card for each eligible child, to buy groceries during the summer. Children who receive Summer EBT benefits can still participate in other summer meal programs. Receiving benefits will not affect children or families' immigration status.

### **Who is Eligible?**

Your child is eligible for Summer EBT benefits if:

- Your household already receives SNAP, TANF, or Foster Care benefits, **OR**
- Your child attends a school that participates in the National School Lunch or School Breakfast Program, **and** your household income meets the requirements for federal free or federal reduced price school meals.

### **How to Apply?**

**No further action is required if:**

- Your child already gets SNAP, TANF, or Foster Care benefits;
- Your child is experiencing homelessness or is a migrant;
- Your child is already approved for Federal Free or Federal Reduced Price School Meals because you completed a 2023-2024 School Meals Application.

If your child is not automatically eligible, and you **did not** complete and return a School Meals Application to your child's school, but believe your child may qualify, complete a School Meals Application and submit it to your local school district **no later than April 19, 2024**, to see if you qualify for the Federal Summer EBT benefit prior to the start of summer.

School Meals Applications are available online via your child's school district website, or paper applications may be obtained at your child's school. Applications will be accepted throughout the summer.

Please contact your school district for any eligibility questions.

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**Recently moved? Or do one of these programs have an old address for you?**

**Update your address with your local school district to ensure that your Summer EBT card is sent to the correct address!**

