



Pandemic EBT (P-EBT) Benefits for School Meals K-12

- *Child eligible for free or reduced price NSLP meals, or enrolled in CEP school*
- *Child's school was virtual for all or part of the school year*
- *Child's school was hybrid learning for all or part of the school year*

When you have lost income, every dollar matters. Federal nutrition programs are here to help you stretch your dollars, provide healthy meals for your family, and focus on paying other bills. You may think you are not eligible, but check the chart to be sure.

How much help will P-EBT give me?

P-EBT benefits are \$6.82 per day per child for each missed school day. These benefits will run through May, 2021, and be distributed in three stages: early May, early June, and mid-July.

100% virtual school	\$136.40 per child per month
Combination virtual & in-person (Hybrid)	\$88.66 per child per month Sept. 2020-February 2021
Combination virtual & in-person (Hybrid)	To be determined March-May 2021

What do I need to do?

If your child did not receive free or reduced price lunch during the school year, contact your school to apply with a correct current address. You may also apply online through [COMPASS](#). If your child received free or reduced price lunches during the school year, **make sure your school has your current address on file**. (If you moved since the beginning of the school year, you need to notify your school of your new address.)

How will I get my benefits?

If you already receive SNAP, TANF benefits, your benefits will be added to your EBT card. PEBT benefits will not affect your SNAP or TANF benefits. If you don't receive these benefits, a P-EBT card will be mailed to you for each child in each child's name with instructions.

What if I live in a community eligible district, but my family doesn't need the benefits?

All students will receive the benefit. The benefit is good for nine months, and your family may need them at a future time. If a portion of the benefits are used, the nine-month clock will reset at that time.

Income Eligibility Guidelines for Free & Reduced Meals

Family Size	Free Meals or Milk	Reduced Price Meals	
	(130% of Poverty Guidelines) Yearly Income	(185% of Poverty Guidelines) Yearly Income	Monthly Income
One	\$0 to \$16,237	\$16,237 to \$23,107	\$1,926
Two	\$0 to \$21,983	\$21,984 to \$31,284	\$2,607
Three	\$0 to \$27,729	\$27,730 to \$39,461	\$3,289
Four	\$0 to \$33,475	\$33,476 to \$47,638	\$3,970
Five	\$0 to \$39,221	\$39,222 to \$55,815	\$4,652
Six	\$0 to \$44,967	\$44,968 to \$63,992	\$5,333
Seven	\$0 to \$50,713	\$50,714 to \$72,619	\$6,015
Eight	\$0 to \$56,459	\$46,460 to \$80,346	\$6,696
For Each Additional Family Member			
Add:	\$5,746	\$8,177	\$682

Source: PA Department of Education

*Information above accurate with last guidance issued 4/27/2021 by PA DHS.

Questions? [P-EBT Inquiry Form](#) [PA DHS PEBT FAQs](#) 484-363-2137 and leave a voicemail

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