



Summer P-EBT is here!

What is Summer P-EBT?

The Pandemic EBT program, or P-EBT, provides food benefits to children to replace the cost of meals due to limited on-site meal service at schools and child care facilities due to COVID-19. We have received federal approval to extend P-EBT into the summer months.

Who is eligible?

Children may automatically qualify for Summer P-EBT if they meet one of the following:

- They are eligible for free or reduced-priced school meals in school year 2020-21 and were registered and enrolled at the end of the school year in a Washington school that normally participates in the National School Lunch Program or the School Breakfast Program.
- Children under age 6 who are a member of a household active on Washington Basic Food assistance program anytime between June, July, or August 2021.

How can families get Summer P-EBT?

- Families with children meeting the listed eligibility criteria do not need to do anything! Summer P-EBT benefits will be automatically issued.
- Families not already meeting the eligibility criteria can still qualify for Summer P-EBT if they do the following before Aug, 31, 2021:
 - **Children in School -**
If your child was enrolled in a school offering the NSLP as of June 2021, submit a free or reduced-price meal application for approval to your school. If your child is approved for free or reduced-price meals, you will receive Summer P-EBT benefits.
 - **Children under age 6 -**
Submit an application for Basic Food to: www.WashingtonConnection.org or call the DSHS Customer Service Contact Center at 877-501-2233 for an interview.

How much will families get?

Children who qualify for Summer P-EBT will receive a one-time, lump sum of \$375 to cover the summer months of July and August 2021.

Will families get a new P-EBT card each month?

No, families should keep each child's P-EBT card. With federal approval, we may reload the card if the COVID-19 public health emergency continues.

Visit dshs.wa.gov/PEBT to learn more!

If you need this information in another language, visit this website or call the P-EBT Contact Center at **833-518-0282**.

Families are encouraged to participate in Grab-n-Go school meals even if they have P-EBT benefits.

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