



Pandemic EBT

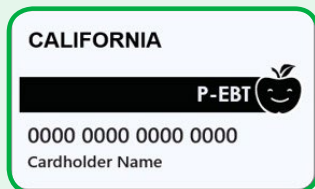
Get help buying food while schools are closed

While schools are closed due to COVID-19, families may receive up to \$365 per eligible child in food benefits. These food benefits are called Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT), or P-EBT. P-EBT is meant to help families buy meals for their children while schools are closed.

P-EBT Benefits Coming Soon

Who is eligible and how will families get their P-EBT benefits?

Families with school-aged children receiving Foster Care, CalWORKs, CalFresh, or Medi-Cal benefits, or children who were receiving free or reduced-priced school meals, do not need to apply for P-EBT benefits. These families will automatically receive a P-EBT card in the mail between May 12 and May 22. The P-EBT card will look like this:



Families who are eligible but do not receive a P-EBT card in the mail, or families who were not eligible for free or reduced priced meals at the time of the school closure but believe they may be eligible now, should apply for P-EBT benefits no later than June 30. Information on how to apply will be released in mid to late May.

How will P-EBT affect my eligibility to other programs?

P-EBT benefits will not affect eligibility to CalWORKs, CalFresh, Medi-Cal, or Women, Infants and Children (WIC). Families who receive P-EBT may also continue to receive grab-and-go meals from their schools or other locations.

Which stores will take P-EBT benefits?

P-EBT benefits can be used at stores that currently take regular CalFresh EBT benefits, including online at Amazon and Walmart Grocery.

