Pandemic EBT (P-EBT)

Food Benefits for All NYC Public School Students

Community Food Advocates and
Lunch 4 Learning Coalition and Parent Caucus
What is Pandemic EBT (P-EBT)?

• A program for families to buy food while students are learning from home.

• In NYC, every single public school student will receive $420.

• Students in charter and parochial schools will receive P-EBT if their school participates in the federal school lunch program.
Can I get P-EBT?

• Every single NYC public school student, ages 3-21, regardless of income or immigration status will receive P-EBT.

• Benefits will be issued automatically.

• There is no application or documentation required.

• It does not affect eligibility for other benefits

• It does not affect ‘public charge’ status.
Why is the total amount $420?

$5.70 per student per day for 74 days to cover the days that schools will be closed in spring 2020, March 16-June 25.

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When will I get P-EBT?

Households enrolled in SNAP and/or Public Assistance (PA)

Benefits will be added to current EBT cards.

Payment 1: $193 (for March and April) by early June.

Payment 2: $227 (for May and June) by the end of June.
When will I get P-EBT?

WAVE 2

Households enrolled in Medicaid but not SNAP and/or PA.

Benefits will be added to the Medicaid card and a PIN number will be assigned.

One payment: $420 (for March-June), around the end of June.
When will I get P-EBT?

Households not enrolled in SNAP, PA, or Medicaid.

A card will be issued and mailed to the household for each student.

One payment: $420 (for March-June), beginning in July and August.
When will I get P-EBT?

- **WAVE 1**: $193

- **MAY**: $193

- **JUNE**: $227

- **JULY**: $420

- **AUGUST**: $227

- **WAVE 2**: $420

- **WAVE 3**: $420

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How do I use P-EBT?

- The EBT card is like a bank debit card.
- You can use P-EBT to buy food at retail food stores, such as supermarkets and local stores.
- P-EBT food benefits are available on your EBT card for one year from the date they are issued.