



USE \$420 from P-EBT Program TO BUY GROCERIES!

New York State is **sending your parents \$420 to spend on food**. It's called P-EBT. Every student attending a NYC public school receives this money. Students in parochial or charter schools that offer free/reduced-price lunch through the federal lunch program are also eligible. Family income and immigration status don't matter. The money covers the cost of the school meals you missed while school was closed due to COVID-19. You have 1 year to use the money, from the day you get it.

You get the money in one of three ways:



By postal mail on a new card for each student, if you do not receive SNAP and/or Public Assistance or Medicaid.

Check your mailbox in September or October for a letter from a New York State agency called OTDA. It will refer to this money as "P-EBT" and will include instructions on how to create a PIN to use the card.



On your current EBT card, if you receive SNAP and/or Public Assistance (PA).

The money was added this summer. Check your balance at www.connectebt.com or call 1-888-328-6399*



On your Medicaid CBIC card, if you are on Medicaid, but not SNAP and/or Public Assistance.

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*Call the NY state agency (OTDA) Helpline: 1-833-452-0096 (or email: otda.sm.eisp.PEBT@otda.ny.gov) if you think you should have received money on your current EBT or Medicaid CBIC and haven't yet.

Remember, this is **your** money to spend! You can use it:

- ✔ At any store that accepts SNAP/EBT, like your local supermarket, farmers' market or bodega! Just swipe/insert the card at the register, add your PIN and you're good to go!
 - Find your favorite stores at bit.ly/SNAPstores or look for signs like these:
 
- ✔ On popular food items like cereal, poultry, fruits and vegetables. Check the full list at bit.ly/SNAPfoods

Using this money does **NOT**:

- ✘ Require an application, personal information or submitting forms
- ✘ Affect your parents' taxes
- ✘ Affect your or your parents' immigration status or access to other programs like summer meals, WIC or SNAP

TO LEARN MORE:

- ➔ Visit these FAQ Pages: bit.ly/CFA-PEBT-FAQ | on.nyc.gov/p-ebt
- ➔ Contact OTDA: otda.sm.eisp.PEBT@otda.ny.gov
- ➔ Call the OTDA P-EBT Hotline: 1-833-452-0096 (8:30 AM to 5 PM, M-F)

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