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FOOD ASSISTANCE FOR FAMILIES OF SCHOOL CHILDREN

Louisiana received federal approval to issue Pandemic EBT benefits for the 2021-22 school year to families of children who normally receive free or reduced-price school meals but haven't been receiving those meals because of school-approved **virtual learning schedules** or **approved quarantines**, caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL HAS PROVIDED INFORMATION DEEMING YOUR CHILD ELIGIBLE FOR P-EBT BENEFITS.

THERE IS NO APPLICATION PROCESS FOR THESE BENEFITS.

Your child's school has provided the state with all information needed to determine your child's benefits. DCFS is in the process of issuing benefits to each eligible child.

PLEASE NOTE: If you did not receive a P-EBT card for the 2020-21 school year, one will be mailed to you in your child's name. **It may take up to 30 days for a card to be received.**

STUDENT ID NUMBER NEEDED

To activate your P-EBT card, you will need your child's student ID number to enter in place of their Social Security Number. If you do not have your child's student ID number, please contact your school.

WHAT CAN I BUY WITH MY P-EBT CARD?

P-EBT cards can be used to purchase most food items at any store that accepts SNAP EBT cards. Benefits can be used to purchase groceries online at some retailers.

WHO DO I CONTACT IF I HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT MY CHILD'S LEARNING SITUATION ELIGIBILITY?

Each school sets its own COVID-19 protocols and attendance requirements. Your school will confirm your student's information. For eligibility questions, please contact your child's school. DCFS **does not** determine eligibility.

For more information about your child's case, visit the P-EBT Parent Portal at dcfs.la.gov/pebt-parent-portal.

For more information, visit pebt-la.org.

Para más información, visite www.pebt-la.org.

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If you received a P-EBT card for the 2020-21 school year, benefits for the 2021-22 school year are being issued on the same card. Please keep your card. All potential future benefits will be issued on the same card.

Benefits will be retroactive to August 1, 2021, to cover the full school year and are being issued in installments. Benefits are visible on the online P-EBT Parent Portal.

If your student's learning schedule changed, their benefit level or eligibility will change accordingly, as reported by their school.