



WISCONSIN PANDEMIC-EBT: What parents need to know

This new program is for all Wisconsin children who receive free or reduced-price school meals.

How It Works

Your family qualifies for Wisconsin Pandemic-EBT if:

- Your child's school uses the National School Lunch Program (NSLP).
(*Public, Private, Charter and Chapter 220 schools all qualify*)
- Your child is eligible for free or reduced-price lunch when schools were open.

The Benefits

- The total benefit for March/April is \$176.70 per child.
- The total benefit amount for May/June is \$148.20 per child.
- Each child gets the same amount.

How You Receive It

I receive FoodShare:

If you receive FoodShare, and you have a child who receives free or reduced-price school lunch, you shouldn't need to apply. March/April P-EBT benefits should be on your Quest card already. May/June benefits will go on your Quest card at the end of May.

I don't receive FoodShare, but I do participate in BadgerCare, ChildCare, W2, etc.:

If you don't receive FoodShare, but you receive other public benefits like BadgerCare or W2, and your child/children receive free or reduced-price meals at school, you shouldn't need to apply. If you have a Quest card, benefits will be issued on that card on May 10. If you don't have a Quest card, you'll be mailed a white P-EBT cards beginning May 10.

I don't participate in any programs, but my child/children receive free or reduced-price school meals:

You must apply for this new program. Your school will send out those applications starting May 10. If you did not receive an application directly, you can also access it here: https://access.wi.gov/s/pebt?language=en_US

Other Questions

- I still pick up lunch from school for my child. Can I still get P-EBT?
YES. You can get a grab-and-go meal AND receive P-EBT.
- Will getting P-EBT impact my family's 'public charge' status?
No. According to the USDA, the Public Charge rule does not apply to P-EBT benefits.

Denied Benefits

If you believe your child has been wrongfully denied benefits, you are entitled to a fair hearing. Find the fair hearing forms here:

<https://doa.wi.gov/Pages/LicensesHearings/DHAWFSRequestingaHearing.aspx>

- Pandemic-EBT Problems? Email DHS at: dhsfoodsharepolicy@dhs.wisconsin.gov.
 - Other questions? Email pebt@hungertaskforce.org.

To apply for FoodShare visit: www.access.wisconsin.gov.