



NORTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF
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2023 Summer P-EBT

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Summary of 2022 Summer P-EBT

44778 School-aged children were issued benefits

\$17,508,198 Total Benefits

2800+ cards returned and unable to re-send

- No forwarding addresses
- Wrong contact information
- \$1.1 million+

This needed to be considered when planning for the 2023 Summer P-EBT.



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- The final round of P-EBT under the COVID Public Health Emergency.
- School-aged children
- \$120 per eligible child
- Households must apply for benefits this summer.



Eligible Students

SY 22-23 Students

- Eligible for free or reduced-price meals
- Enrolled at a school that participates in the NSLP
- Must be enrolled on the last day of school
- Pre-K eligible if they had access to school breakfast or lunch while attending school, and meet all other criteria.
- Headstart children are not eligible through the school-age Summer P-EBT program.

Children age 0-5 that receive SNAP benefits will receive Summer P-EBT through the SNAP program. Benefits placed on the parent/guardian's regular EBT card.



Eligible Students

SY 23-24

- Students that weren't eligible for free or reduced-price meals in SY 22-23 may receive P-EBT if they apply for and become eligible for meal benefits before August 25, 2023.
- Families must also complete the P-EBT application.
- Must also have attended a school that participated in the NSLP in SY 22-23, and be enrolled on the last day of school.
- Eligibility based on Federal Income Guidelines. New legislation that provides free meals to all students up to 200% of poverty does not apply. Students that fall within the 185-200% poverty level are not eligible for P-EBT.



Application

- **Online Application**
 - May be completed on a mobile device.
- **Applications must be completed by Parent/Guardian – Schools may not complete the application for families but may assist them.**
- **Families may also complete the application offline and email or mail it to our office.**



Data collected on the Application

- **Parent/guardian**

- Mailing address,
- Address on file at the school (if different)
- Phone number,
- Email

- **Student information**

- Date of Birth
- District/school attended
- Grade
- State Student ID # (not required)
- Relationship to parent/guardian



Benefits

- Each eligible student will receive \$120 in benefits
- **Benefits will be issued to the “authorized” parent/guardian who completes the application.**
 - If multiple parents/guardians apply for same student NDDPI will determine, based on information received from parent/guardian, schools, etc., who should receive the benefit.
 - Foster parents should apply for any children they currently have under their care (residential).
- **Benefits will be issued on a new P-EBT card**
- **Families that apply for children who are denied will receive an email that lists the denied child(ren) and the reason for the denial.**



How Can Schools Help?

1. **Send out communication to families with the link to the application.**
 - a) Template provided to schools once the application link is available.
2. **Post P-EBT information on the district website**
 - a) Communications received from NDDPI
 - b) Link to the online application
 - c) Pdf of the application that can be printed out and completed offline.
 - d) P-EBT Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) – provided by NDDPI
3. **Assist NDDPI in resolving issues**
 - a) Eligibility
 - b) Enrollment
 - c) Parent/guardian issues



Timeline

By the end of this week:

- **Summer P-EBT information will be on NDDPI website**
- **Schools will be emailed**
 - Link to online application
 - Message to send out to families
 - Summer P-EBT FAQs
 - Pdf of P-EBT application to place on school website.

Monday, May 22nd:

- **Joint NDHHS/NDDPI press release**
- **Online P-EBT application goes live**



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Timeline

Benefit Issuances:

Applications Received By	Benefits Issued
June 22, 2023	July 13, 2023
July 23, 2023	August 17, 2023
August 21, 2023	September 14, 2023

Online application closes on August 21, 2023.

All benefits must be issued before September 30, 2023.

No additional payments will be made after 9/30/2023, even if an error is found.

Communications

CNFD website

- Link to Online Application
- Information regarding P-EBT
- Copy of this presentation
- Pdf of application form
- Summer P-EBT FAQs

P-EBT email box

- Snap-pebt@nd.gov
 - Preferred Method of Communication
 - Staff have time to research questions before responding
 - No “phone tag”

P-EBT Help Line

- 701-328-2732
- Callers will be prompted to choose if they have questions
 1. about the application or eligibility or
 2. about their P-EBT cards.



CNFD Summer P-EBT Staff

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Contact Reagan with any questions you have regarding Summer P-EBT.

Email is better than a telephone call! Based on experience, we anticipate at least 50 calls/day.



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Questions?



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