

## **Families Invited to Apply Now for Pandemic EBT**

Pandemic-EBT (P-EBT) is a federally funded program providing food benefits to families whose children are missing the free or reduced-price meals usually provided at school. Oregon plans to provide benefits to eligible students retroactively, starting from October 2020.

- P-EBT cards will be sent to all families who qualify to receive benefits.
- P-EBT provides families financial support to cover the cost of groceries while your children are home during school closures. This benefit is provided to ALL families whose children receive free and reduced-price school meals in Oregon.
- Families can get both Pandemic EBT and prepared “grab and go” meals that schools are serving during the pandemic.

Applications are confidential. For families not prequalified (for example SNAP and families with Foster children) the application for Free and Reduced Meal Program must be completed. This is a simple and confidential form and all families are encouraged to apply.

- There is no citizenship requirement, for you or your child in order to be eligible, and participation has no bearing on public charge.
- A new application must be completed each year unless you receive an email or letter stating that your child(ren) has/have already been approved for the new school year.

[View the Income Guidelines](#)

[Apply for the Free and Reduced Meal Program](#)

[Learn more about Oregon's P-EBT program](#)

Please contact the Food and Nutrition Services Department if you have questions. 541-757-5903.