Introducing Virginia SUN Bucks



A federal program created to fight food insecur children with a one-time **\$120 food benefit** on a to purchase groceries.

Who is automatically eligible for Virginia SUN Bucks and does not need to apply?

Your child is automatically enrolled in Virginia SUN Bucks if they:



Receive SNAP or TANF benefits or participate in an income-eligible Medical Assistance (MA) program.

Applied for and received free or reduced–price school meals at school during the 2023–2024 school year through the **National School Lunch Program (NSLP)**.

How do I know if my family needs to apply for Virginia SUN Bucks?

If your child did not apply for and receive free or reduced–price school meals through the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) or your family does not participate in SNAP, TANF or an income–based Medical Assistance program, you must apply.

When and how will VDSS issue Virginia SUN Bucks benefits?

Benefits will be issued **beginning August 2024 on a rolling basis** to children who automatically qualify and to families who are eligible by application. SNAP recipients benefits will be loaded onto their existing SNAP EBT card. Non-SNAP recipients' will receive a SUN Bucks card that will be mailed to the address on file.

How do I apply?

Beginning July 1st, you can visit **VirginiaSunBucks.com** to print and and mail the application to 5600 Cox Road, Glen Allen, VA 23060 OR you can call the Virginia SUN Bucks contact center to apply over the phone at a later in July.





