

# 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).
  - o 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 benefits from other programs (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 will be mailed a white P-EBT cards starting May 10.

#### I don't participate in any program, but my children receive free or reduced-price meals:

If you don't receive FoodShare or any other program, but your child/children received free/reduced-price meals at school, you do have to apply. Your school will send out those applications starting May 10.

# 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.
- Pandemic-EBT Problems? Email DHS at: <a href="mailto:dhsfoodsharepolicy@dhs.wisconsin.gov">dhs.wisconsin.gov</a>.
  - Other questions? Email <a href="mailto:pebt@hungertaskforce.org">pebt@hungertaskforce.org</a>.

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