

# Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer

P-EBT helps families buy food.



## P-EBT Summer 2022

The USDA Food and Nutrition Service recently announced the Summer 2022 Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer (P-EBT) program. Summer 2022 P-EBT provides food benefits for students who were certified as eligible for free or reduced-price meals under the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) at any point during the 2021-2022 school year or are newly certified over the summer.

Although there is not an application to apply for the P-EBT benefit, Northside ISD is currently accepting Free & Reduced household applications for potential eligibility.

### What children are eligible for P-EBT benefits during a covered summer period?

1. All school children who were eligible to receive free or reduced-price meals during the 2021-2022 school year under the NSLP are eligible for P-EBT benefits in the summer of 2022.
2. Children who are determined newly eligible for free or reduced-price school meals between **July 1 and August 29, 2022**.
3. Children in households that receive SNAP, Medicaid, TANF, federally funded Head Start or Early Head Start, foster care, migrant or homeless youth.

### Who needs to submit a Free & Reduced application for potential P-EBT benefits?

1. **Newly eligible children (ALL SCHOOLS)** - If your child was not eligible for Free or Reduced-price meals last year and if you have experienced a decrease in household income, become unemployed or receive food stamps or TANF, you need to submit a 2022-23 Free & Reduced application for potential P-EBT benefits. **This is applicable to CEP and non-CEP schools.**

**NOTE:** Children new to Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) schools in SY 22-23 are only eligible for Summer 2022 P-EBT benefits if they submit a Free & Reduced application and are determined newly eligible for free or reduced-price school meals between **July 1 and August 29, 2022**. For a list of CEP campuses, click [here](#).

**When and how can I submit a Free & Reduced application for potential Summer 2022 P-EBT benefits?**

1. Free and Reduced-Price Meal applications will be available online at <https://www.schoolcafe.com/> beginning August 12th.
2. Applications are available for parent or guardian pickup beginning July 1st at the Free & Reduced Office at 7520 Mainland Drive, San Antonio, TX 78250. Hours are 7 AM to 3:30 PM (Monday – Friday). Applications may be turned in at the Free & Reduced Office, left at the courtesy drop box or mailed to this address.
3. Applications will be available at non-CEP campuses beginning in August and may be turned in to the school front office, Cafeteria Manager or at the Free & Reduced Office.
4. Applications for potential P-EBT benefits will be accepted between **July 1 and August 29, 2022**.

For additional information about P-EBT or the Free and Reduced-Price meal application, contact the Child Nutrition Free & Reduced office at (210) 397-4517 or [free-reduced@nisd.net](mailto:free-reduced@nisd.net).

For information regarding **SCHOOL YEAR 2021-2022 P-EBT** benefits, visit [hhs.texas.gov/pebt](https://hhs.texas.gov/pebt), or call the P-EBT Call Center at 833-442-1255, Monday–Friday, 8 a.m.–6 p.m. Central time.

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