



# Food Benefits for All NYC Public School Students Pandemic EBT (P-EBT)



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## What is Pandemic EBT (P-EBT)?

P-EBT is a program for families to buy food while students are learning from home. In NYC, every single public school student will receive \$420. Students in charter and parochial schools will receive P-EBT if their school participates in the federal school lunch program.

## Can my child get P-EBT?

Every single NYC public school student, ages 3-21, regardless of income or immigration status will receive P-EBT. Benefits will be issued automatically. There is no application or documentation required and it does not affect eligibility for other benefits or public charge status.

## When will my child get P-EBT?

WAVE 1

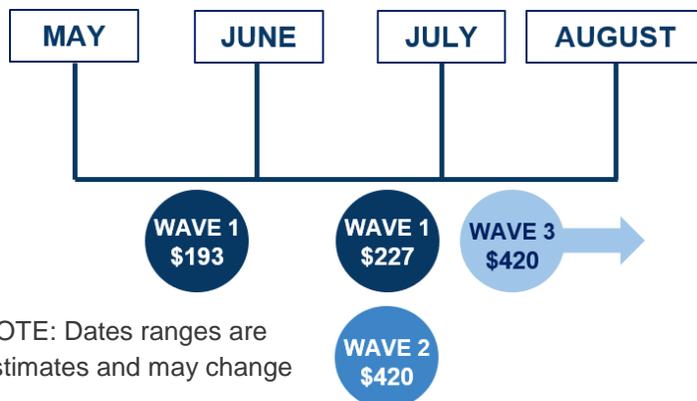
**Households enrolled in SNAP and/or Public Assistance (PA).** Benefits will be added to current EBT cards. First Payment: \$193 (for March and April) by early June. Second Payment: \$227 (for May and June) by the end of June.

WAVE 2

**Households enrolled in Medicaid but not SNAP and/or PA.** Benefits may be added to a Medicaid Common Benefit Identification Card (CBIC) and a PIN number will be assigned. One payment: \$420 (for March-June), around the end of June.

WAVE 3

**Households not enrolled in SNAP, PA, or Medicaid.** A card will be issued and mailed to the household for each student. One payment: \$420 (for March-June), beginning in July and August.



NOTE: Dates ranges are estimates and may change

## Why is the total amount \$420?

\$5.70 per student per day for 74 days to cover the days that schools will be closed in spring 2020, March 16-June 25.

March	\$68
April	\$125
May	\$119
June	\$108

= \$420

**Can we still get free grab-and-go at school meal hubs once we have P-EBT? Yes!**

## How do we use P-EBT?

The EBT card is like a bank debit card. You can use P-EBT to buy food at retail food stores, such as supermarkets and local stores. P-EBT food benefits are available on your EBT card for one year from the date they are issued.



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