

P-SNAP: Frequently Asked Questions

What is P-SNAP?

P-EBT/P-SNAP is a one-time benefit for families that have lost access to free or reduced-price meals because of closures related to COVID-19.

How Much will each Family Receive?

- P-EBT/P-SNAP is \$285 per eligible child. This amount is based on the average number of days schools are closed for the remainder of the school year.
- If a family receives P-EBT this benefit **WILL NOT** stop or effect the family from receiving any other benefits.

Who is Eligible and How do I apply?

- P-EBT is for **children 5-18 years** old who **received SNAP food benefits for the month of March 2020** and **children up to 21 years old who are certified for free or reduced-price meals** at school in Texas during the 2019-20 school year.
- Families who **received SNAP benefits** for the month of **March 2020** and **have children 5-18 years** old as of May 17, 2020, **DO NOT need to apply for those children**. These families will receive P-EBT benefits on their current Lone Star Card by May 22.
- Families with **children up to 21 years** old who are **certified to receive free or reduced-price meals** during the 2019-20 school year **WILL NEED to apply for P-EBT**. (*This includes families who received SNAP benefits for the month of March 2020 and have children under 5 and between 19 and 21.*) School districts will send a link to an online application by the first week of June.

How will Benefits be Disbursed?

- Current SNAP recipients will have the funds loaded on to their current Lone Star Cards. Non-SNAP recipients will be mailed a Texas P-EBT card with the funds loaded on it. The Texas P-EBT card is nontransferable.
- If you are a current SNAP recipient, you will be able to see the balance of your Lone Star Card information on YourTexasBenefits.com

When will Families Receive Benefits?

- Families who received SNAP benefits for the month of March 2020 and have children 5-18 years old as of May 17, 2020, will get funds by May 22. Other families will get P-EBT funds beginning in June. Your application will be processed after HHSC receives the list of children getting free or reduced-price meals.

