

Do your children get free or reduced-price meals at school?



Your family may be able to get financial help to replace school meals missed due to COVID-19. Apply for P-EBT by Friday, August 14, 2020 at 4:30 PM Central Time!

The Tennessee Department of Human Services (DHS) is taking applications now to reimburse families for meals students missed when schools were closed in March, April, and May. The program is called Pandemic-EBT or P-EBT. Here is some important information about P-EBT:

- **If you get SNAP (food stamps) or Families First you do not need to apply.** You should get your P-EBT benefit on your EBT card automatically.
- **You will get \$5.70 per child for each day the child qualifies for P-EBT in March, April, and May.** The benefit will come in two payments—one for March and April, and a second payment for May.
- **If you got emergency meals through the schools during this time you can still apply for P-EBT.**
- If you do not get SNAP or Families First but your children qualify for free/reduced school meals, **you need to apply for P-EBT by Friday, August 14, 2020 at 4:30 PM Central Time.**
- **You can apply online here:**
<https://www.tn.gov/humanservices/covid-19/p-ebt-and-covid-19-faqs.html>.
- **If you need help applying, you can call the DHS hotline at 1-833-496-0661** and choose option 3. You can also call your local DHS office to make an appointment to apply in person.
- **The online application is only available in English.** If you need an interpreter to help you apply, call the DHS hotline at 1-833-496-0661 and choose option 3.
- **To apply you must provide the following information:**
 - **Parent/guardian:** name, date of birth, county where you live
 - **Child:** name, date of birth, school district, school name
 - You are not required to provide a Social Security number to apply.

If you have problems applying, or if your application is denied and you think you are eligible, **call Legal Aid Society at 1-800-238-1443** to see if we can help.