

P-EBT INFORMATION UPDATE

There appears to be some confusion regarding P-EBT summer payments. Here are some points of clarification:

1. These payments are only for students that were enrolled in school the last 20 days of the 2021-2022 school year.
2. Students that were enrolled in the **2021-2022 school year** and completed a meal application or were already approved from June-August 30, 2022 are eligible.
3. This is a one-time only payment. Students that already received funds will not receive the next round.
4. New cards will be mailed to all eligible students. Your school district will not mail these to you.
5. The cards for the second round will start arriving via mail in November. More than likely, it will be after **November 15th 2022** when the cards will arrive.
6. Parents can check the DSS portal, **after November 1st 2022**, for newly eligible students that were enrolled in a National School Lunch Program school during the 2021-2022 school year.
7. School Food Authority (food service director) can check the DSS portal for students, <https://benefitsportal.dss.sc.gov/#/pebt/benefitinquiry>. The SC Department of Education will not provide information via email or phone call. **Please do not contact them.**
8. Please do not go to the PEBT inbox at this time for questions about the next round of payments. **You need to wait and check the portal after November 1st 2022.**
9. P-EBT is based on Federal Law. We will not violate Federal Law because parents did not fill out meal applications last school year.
10. We encourage each household to complete a meal application any time throughout the school year to see if you qualify for free or reduced priced meals based on your household income.

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