

P-EBT

Beginning August 28th

To help families pay for food because children are not receiving free/reduced school lunches due to school closures, the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare will be issuing a cash benefits to eligible families, using an EBT card.



Retailer Information

How will families use this benefit?

All families receiving a P-EBT benefit will receive benefits on an Idaho Quest Card, also referred to as an EBT card.

What can they purchase with it?

P-EBT benefits can be used to buy the same food items that can be purchased with SNAP benefits.

Who will receive the EBT card?

In most cases, P-EBT benefits will be issued in the name of the parent or guardian.

IDHW's goal is to include all eligible children in the family on one EBT card; however, some households may be issued more than one card.

Does the card require a PIN?

Customers paying with their EBT card must use a PIN for the card. They should follow the instructions that came with the card to create a four-digit PIN.

What happens if the card doesn't work?

If customers have difficulty using their EBT card or need to check their balance, instruct them to call the number on the back of the card.

Who can use the EBT card?

EBT cards with P-EBT benefits should be treated the same as SNAP EBT cards.

Retailers should not inspect the card. All household members and additional authorized persons are allowed to use this card.

More information

More information will be included in a letter that will be mailed directly to eligible families. Visit healthandwelfare.idaho.gov for more FAQs about the P-EBT benefits.

