

Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer (P-EBT) program is available in Georgia

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic:

The Georgia Division of Family & Children Services (DFCS), in partnership with the Department of Education (GaDOE), has been approved to offer the P-EBT program for the 2020-2021 school term.

This program will provide the families of children who receive free and/or reduced lunch at school **with additional financial assistance to buy groceries.**

Who qualifies?

Families with children receiving free and/or reduced lunch as of **June 2021** through the **Richard B. Russell National School Breakfast or Lunch Program**, should be eligible to receive P-EBT benefits.

Do I have to be a SNAP recipient?

No. **Both SNAP and Non-SNAP families qualify for P-EBT** if children in their household are eligible for free and/or reduced breakfast or lunch through the **Richard B. Russell National School Breakfast or Lunch Program**. Additionally, children attending a Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) school will qualify. A list of CEP schools is available at dfcs.ga.gov.

How do I apply?

- **No application is required for the 2020-2021 school term.**

Do I need an EBT card?

Yes. Recipients will receive a P-EBT card by mail at the address listed on their application.

Will P-EBT benefits expire?

Yes. P-EBT benefits not used within 274 days after the last purchase or return date, will be removed and cannot be replaced.

For more information and updates, visit related pages on dfcs.ga.gov.

