



# BURBANK SCHOOL DISTRICT 111

February 26, 2021

Dear Parent or Guardian,

The State of Illinois is approved to provide new Pandemic Electronic Benefits Transfer Program (P-EBT) benefits to all eligible Illinois students. Eligible families do not need to complete a P-EBT application. However, families are encouraged to complete a Household Eligibility Application to determine eligibility for free or reduced meal status if they have not already for School Year 2020-21. It is also essential to ensure your mailing address on file at your enrolling school is current. Please note that citizenship status does not affect eligibility.

**What is P-EBT?** The purpose of P-EBT is to provide food assistance to families with students who would have received free or reduced lunch while attending school but are not receiving these meals in school due to COVID-19 restrictions.

**Who is eligible for P-EBT benefits?** The following students are eligible for P-EBT benefits for School Year 2020-21.

- *Students must be enrolled in an eligible NSLP participating Illinois school and;*
- *Students must be determined eligible to receive free/reduced lunch for the 2020-21 school year or enrolled in a Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) school and;*
- *Students are P-EBT eligible on school days in which a reimbursable meal was not provided to the student to consume at school. If "grab and go meals" are provided to students, this does not exclude these students from participating or being eligible for the P-EBT program.*

**What action needs to be taken now?** At this time, it is very important for all eligible students to ensure that the mailing address on file at your enrolling school is current. A complete mailing address will be needed to receive the P-EBT issuance in the near future.

Please also make sure that your eligibility status for free or reduced-price meals is current at the enrolling school. A Household Eligibility Application may be completed at any time, should your circumstances change. Families that are currently receiving SNAP, TANF, or income eligible Medicaid do not need to take any action, as this information is shared with NSLP schools via a secure portal.

Some district families' circumstances may have changed since the COVID-19 crisis began, so we want to ensure that all our families are accurately accounted for and included. **If your family has experienced a significant income reduction during this crisis and feel you should be included in the Pandemic EBT program, you will need to apply for Free and Reduced Lunch by March 19, 2021.**

Visit the district website ([www.bsd111.org](http://www.bsd111.org)) and click on the "**District Info**" Tab. Under **Downloads**, under **Food Service**, click on the Free and Reduced Lunch Application link to find detailed instructions and the application link.

Due to the time needed to approve all applications we are asking that you do not delay in submitting this application. Contact Lynn Jerdine ([LJerdine@bsd111.org](mailto:LJerdine@bsd111.org)) with any questions.

**Families who have already qualified for Free and Reduced Lunch for the current school year DO NOT need to apply again.**

**If my student is P-EBT eligible, when will I receive the benefits?** The Illinois Department of Human Services should begin issuing **new** P-EBT cards to all known eligible students in March 2021. Please note that all eligible students will receive benefits for all eligible school days, back to the beginning of this school year.

If you have any questions regarding the mailing address or your student's free and reduced-price status, please reach out to your child(ren) school secretary.

Thank you for your time to this matter.

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