What is P-EBT?

Pandemic-Electronic Benefit Transfer (P-EBT), authorized by the Families First Coronavirus Response Act, provides families of eligible children additional funds to purchase food during the 2020-2021 school year. P-EBT is a complement to the meals and snacks currently being provided to children through the Child Nutrition Programs.



New Criteria! No access to school meals

P-EBT is intended for children who do not have access to receive a free or reduced-price meal at school during the school day because the school is closed or offers a full-time or part-time distance learning model. Receiving a meal/snack through the Child Nutrition Programs (curbside, mobile stops, delivery) during distance learning does not prevent a child from receiving P-EBT.

What data will be used to determine P-EBT eligibility?

Free or Reduced-Price Meal Eligibility

ADE will use student-level eligibility data from AzEDS. If AzEDS data is not available, due to the school not reporting to AzEDS, ADE will collect a manually generated file from the LEA.

School Learning Model

ADE will collect all effective dates of learning models made available to the enrolled population of each school starting with the month of August 2020. Each entry will include the start and end date for the available learning model(s) offered at one time. Data will be collected through a new ADEConnect portal to be released in March 2021.

March 2021

Begin to submit school level learning model data starting with the month of August 2020.

May 2021

Create an entry for each learning model change/closure that occurred in April.

April 2021

Create an entry for each learning model change/closure that occurred in March.

June 2021

All school level learning model data for August 2020 through May 2021 must be submitted by the end of this month.



If you have questions concerning P-EBT, please contact Health and Nutrition Services at ADESchoolNutrition@azed.gov.