



# SUMMER EBT IS BACK!

ARE YOU  
SIGNED UP?

Nebraska Summer EBT provides **\$120 of extra grocery benefits** to children (like yours!) over the summer, when kids aren't getting the meals they usually eat at school. It is available to families who could use support buying food.

**Most eligible children are automatically enrolled in Summer EBT, but some will need to apply.**

**Check to see if you need to apply today!**

Scan the **QR code!**



OR



Visit

<https://bit.ly/4tB6zuz>

Have questions or need extra support?

Visit <https://dhhs.ne.gov/Pages/Summer-EBT.aspx> or call **800-383-4278** (select option 5).

# Summer EBT in Nebraska

## UNDERSTANDING NEBRASKA SUMMER EBT

### HOW MUCH WILL I GET?

Each enrolled child will get a one-time \$120 benefit on a pre-loaded EBT card.

### HOW ARE BENEFITS DELIVERED?

A new EBT card will be mailed to you in a plain white envelope.

### WHEN ARE BENEFITS DELIVERED?

Between April and August 2026, Summer EBT funds will be mailed out as children are approved and applications are processed.

### DO SUMMER EBT BENEFITS EXPIRE?

Yes, benefits expire 122 days (about 4 months) after they are issued.

### WHY DO SOME KIDS GET SUMMER EBT SUPPORT AUTOMATICALLY, WHILE OTHERS NEED TO APPLY?

Most eligible children get Nebraska Summer EBT automatically because they already participate in programs like SNAP, TANF, or your school district confirmed your child's eligibility for free or reduced-price school meals. But here's the bottom line: If you don't receive the program automatically, and you have a child attending school, we recommend applying if you could use an extra \$120 to help with groceries over the summer. Students of any age who meet the income requirements (at or below 185% of the federal poverty guidelines) and attend schools that offer meals through the National School Lunch Program are eligible to apply.

**Scan the QR code or visit <https://bit.ly/4tB6zuz>** to find out if your child will likely be automatically enrolled if they are eligible or if you should apply for benefits.

### WHAT OTHER MEAL PROGRAMS ARE AVAILABLE FOR MY KIDS THIS SUMMER?

Nebraska Summer EBT works alongside the Nebraska Summer Meals programs to help make sure kids get nutritious food all summer. Children who get Summer EBT can also get free summer meals. Find summer meals near you:

**[www.fns.usda.gov/summer/sitefinder](http://www.fns.usda.gov/summer/sitefinder)**

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## RECEIVING NEBRASKA SUMMER EBT

### DO I NEED TO APPLY? IF YES, HOW?

Most eligible children are automatically enrolled, but some need to apply. Use the [Nebraska Summer EBT eligibility checker](#) to see if your child will be automatically enrolled or if they need to apply.

**If needed, submit an online or paper application by August 12, 2026.** When applying, you will be asked to provide your child's name, school, date of birth, address, and your household income.

**Scan the QR code or visit <https://bit.ly/4tB6zuz> to get started!**

### HOW DO I CHECK OR UPDATE MY MAILING ADDRESS?

If you receive economic assistance programs, confirm your physical and mailing address on your [accessnebraska.ne.gov](http://accessnebraska.ne.gov) account. If you do not receive economic assistance, contact the Nebraska Department of Education at **[NDE.SEBT@nebraska.gov](mailto:NDE.SEBT@nebraska.gov)**. You should also confirm with your school district that the current address is on file.

### WHAT INFORMATION OR INSTRUCTIONS WILL I RECEIVE IN THE MAIL?

A letter will be sent to each eligible household to let you know that you're approved and that a Summer EBT card will arrive. Keep an eye out for information about how to activate your Summer EBT card(s). Your Summer EBT benefit card will arrive in a separate, plain white envelope. The envelope will not be marked with DHHS information, so it can be mistaken for junk mail. Save all your Summer EBT paperwork from the state just to be safe!

### WHAT SHOULD I DO IF I HAVE PROBLEMS ACTIVATING MY CARD OR HAVE OTHER QUESTIONS?

You can activate new Summer EBT cards by calling the number on the back of the card: **877-247-6328**. When asked for the primary cardholder's date of birth, enter the 8-digit birthday of the oldest child in the household. If the oldest child's birthday doesn't work, try the birthday(s) of other children in the household. (E.g. for Aug 21, 2016, enter "08 21 2016").