

**This letter is intended for families with:**

- **Children who received SNAP food benefits for March 2020**
- **Children who are certified for free or reduced-price school meals during the 2019-20 Texas school year**

**If you do not meet at least one of these criteria, you are not eligible for the benefits described below.**

Dear Parent or Guardian,

Your household may be eligible to receive Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer (P-EBT) benefits to buy food. P-EBT is for children 5-18 years old who received SNAP food benefits for the month of March 2020 and children up to 21 years old who are certified for free or reduced-price meals at school in Texas during the 2019-20 school year.

**The online application for P-EBT is now open.** Please review the criteria to see if you need to apply to receive these benefits. The application link is provided below.

Do I need to apply for P-EBT?

Families that DID NOT get SNAP benefits for the month of March 2020

- Yes, you will need to apply.
- Fill out an application here: [yourtexasbenefits.com/Learn/PEBT](http://yourtexasbenefits.com/Learn/PEBT)
- The application is open until June 30, 2020.
- If you do not currently get SNAP benefits and your child is approved for P-EBT, you will be mailed a P-EBT card loaded with benefits.

Families that DID get SNAP benefits for the month of March 2020

- You do not need to apply for children ages 5-18. Benefits were loaded onto your existing SNAP card by May 22.
- If you have children under 5 and/or between the ages of 19 and 21, you will need to fill out an application for those children. Fill out an application here: [yourtexasbenefits.com/Learn/PEBT](http://yourtexasbenefits.com/Learn/PEBT)
- If you get SNAP benefits and your child is approved for P-EBT, we will put funds on your current Lone Star Card.

P-EBT is a one-time benefit for families issued through an EBT card (like a debit card). Families receive up to \$285 per eligible child. You will have one year from the date the benefits were issued to use your P-EBT benefits. P-EBT benefits are non-transferrable.

If you need help filling out the P-EBT application, please contact is **833-613-6220**. For more information, please visit [hhs.texas.gov/PEBT](http://hhs.texas.gov/PEBT) or call is **833-613-6220**.

Sincerely,

*Lisa Roach*

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