

Pandemic EBT (P-EBT) and School Meals

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Our mission is to ensure all New Yorkers have access to healthy, affordable, culturally-appropriate foods through equity-centered, high-impact public policy.

Access to quality food is an essential human right. Lack of access is an income equity issue compounded by systemic racial and gender-based barriers.



Pandemic EBT (P-EBT)

A food benefit for students

What is Pandemic EBT (P-EBT)

- Covers cost of missed school meals while students learn remotely
- Federal program
- State administered - each state gets a plan approved

P-EBT is for *all* NYC public school students

- Regardless of income or immigration status
- Automatically issued
- No application or documentation
- Does not affect eligibility for other benefits or public charge status

Last School Year (Spring 2020) Status

- \$420 for March-June (\$5.70 / day for 74 days)
- Distributed to either:
 - Existing EBT or Medicaid CBIC card
 - New P-EBT card
- Benefits have been distributed. Still time to resolve issues.

2020-2021 School Year - *When?*

There will be two main distributions of P-EBT funds:

- **Distribution 1** (expected to start in June) covers September 2020–March 2021.
- **Distribution 2** (expected to start later in late summer/early fall) covers April–June 2021.

****Please note that all timing is approximate and subject to change****

2020-2021 School Year - *How much?*

- Amounts will depend on mode of learning
 - \$82 / month that the student's *predominant mode* of learning was hybrid, or blended
 - \$132 / month that the student's *predominant mode* of learning was fully remote
- Example: Blended learning for all 10 months would receive \$820 (\$82 x 10 months)

2020-2021 School Year - *How?*

When possible, it will go to existing cards:

- The same card the student received the spring 2020 P-EBT benefit if last spring's P-EBT benefit was redeemed on that card.
- An existing EBT card (such as a card a family has for SNAP or public assistance) that hasn't been used for P-EBT before, for students new to the school system this school year.

2020-2021 School Year - *How?*

A new P-EBT card may be mailed. This is for students who:

- are new to the school system this year and not currently enrolled in SNAP or public assistance
- received their spring 2020 P-EBT on an existing SNAP and/or public assistance EBT card or Medicaid CBIC but are no longer enrolled in those programs; or
- received their spring 2020 P-EBT on a separate P-EBT card but did not redeem the benefit.

What do do now

- Hold on to your P-EBT card from last year!
- If you lost or discarded your card, request a replacement by calling EBT Customer Service at **1-888-328-6399**

The State is issuing P-EBT to over 2 million students, and it will take time for the full amounts to reach all eligible students.

What's next for P-EBT?

- For 2020-2021 school year, P-EBT was expanded to include some children in child care settings who are enrolled in SNAP and impacted by closures (ages 0-5)
- Summer P-EBT for NYC public school students
- We will know more soon!

Stay tuned at bit.ly/CFAPEBT - info sessions and updated resources to come

The State P-EBT Helpline Number: **1-833-452-0096**

If you haven't received P-EBT for Spring 2020



Email us: info@foodadvocates.org

- Student name
- School
- Date of birth
- Address(es)

What can you buy with P-EBT?



- Dairy products
- Bread
- Grains
- Cereals

[Bit.ly/SNAPfoods](https://bit.ly/SNAPfoods)

WHERE:

[Bit.ly/SNAPstores](https://bit.ly/SNAPstores)

NYC Greenmarkets

Health Bucks

QUESTIONS?

Free School Meals for All

Meals served across NYC since March 2020

Free School Meals for All

Students learning
in school



Children and their
families



Everyone



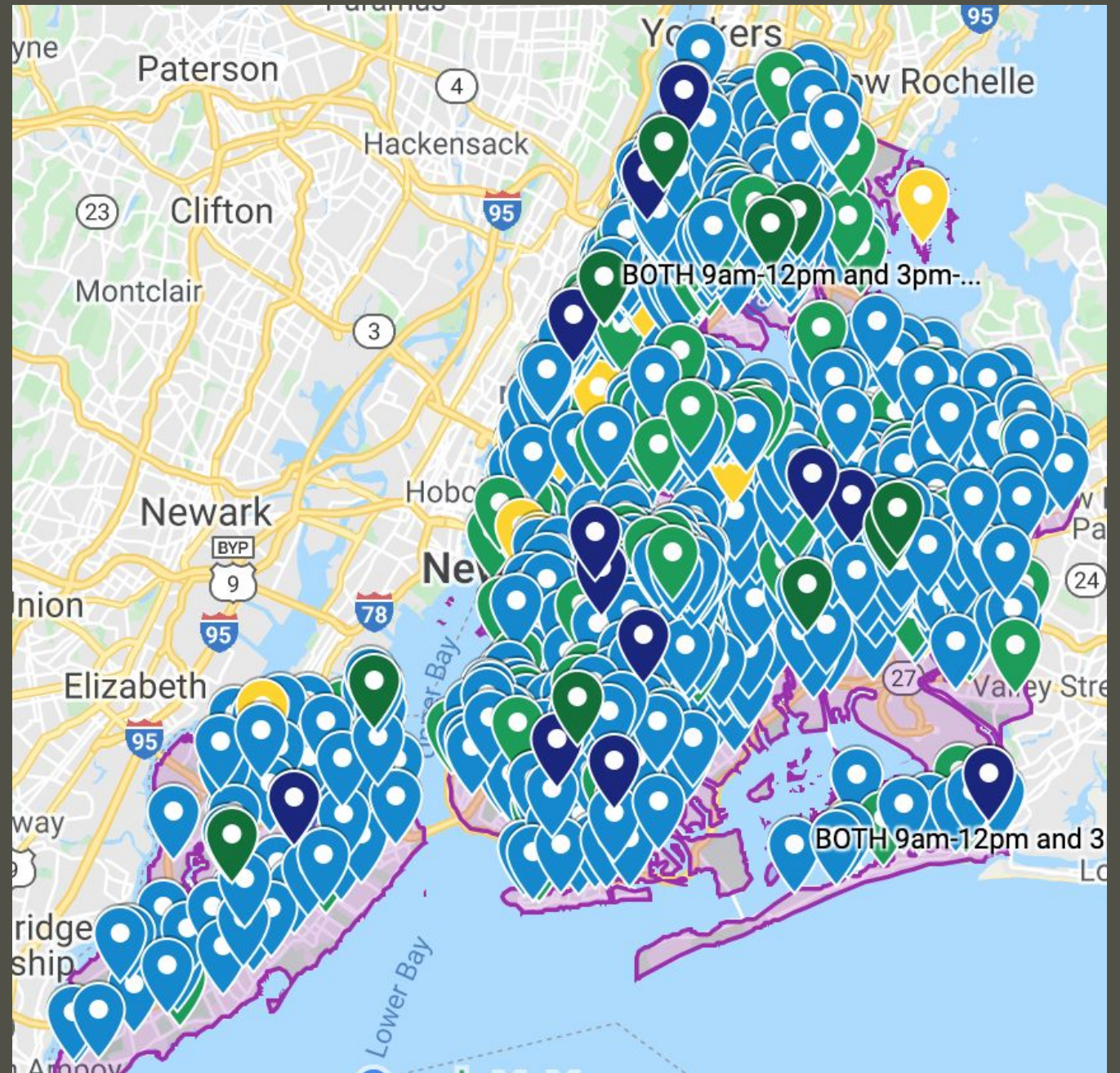
Free School Meals for All

- Monday - Friday, 9am-12pm and/or 3pm-5pm
- Pick up from any school serving meals
- No ID, documentation, or registration required
- 3 meals per day / pick up for multiple days
- Pick up for everyone in household

Find a Meal Site

Map and more info:
bit.ly/FindFoodNYC

Text 'NYC Food' or 'NYC Comida'
to 877-877 to find a site near you



**FREE MEALS
FOR ALL!**

**FREE MEALS
AVAILABLE HERE
FOR QUESTIONS...JUST ASK
WE ARE HERE TO SERVE YOU!**

**MONDAY TO FRIDAY
9AM TO 12PM OR 3PM TO 5PM**

LOCATIONS, DATES AND MENUS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

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**COMIDAS GRATIS
PARA TODOS**

**COMIDAS GRATUITAS DISPONIBLE AQUÍ
PARA PREGUNTAS... SÓLO PREGUNTE
¡ESTAMOS AQUÍ PARA SERVIRLE!**

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LAS UBICACIONES, FECHAS Y MENÚS ESTÁN SUJETOS A CAMBIOS.

**所有人免費
領取餐飲!**

此處提供免費餐食。
對於問題...問問。
我們在這裡為您服務!

星期一至星期五。
上午9時至下午12時或下午3時至5時。

位置、日期和功能表可能會發生變化。

WWW.SCHOOLS.NYC.GOV/FREEMEALS

THIS MEAL HUB IS CLOSED

NEAREST LOCATION

SCHOOL NAME: _____

SCHOOL ADDRESS: _____

Please visit
schools.nyc.gov/freemeals
or
text "NYC FOOD" to
877-877 to find other
Meal Hub locations
nearby.

Este centro de comida está
temporalmente cerrado.
Visite
schools.nyc.gov/freemeals
o envíe el mensaje de texto
"NYC COMIDA" al 877-877
para buscar otros centros de
comida cercanos.

本膳食中心現在臨時關閉。
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NO 10 WEEKENDS

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NO MIND

**PICK UP &
COOK AT HOME!**



PIZZA



BURGERS



CHICKEN



& MORE

Take-home and cook breakfast & lunch options are available. Speak to your Food Service staff for more information. These meals are perfect for cooking at home with families. The choice of items may vary according to location and availability.

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HOW TO FIND A LOCATION?
Call 311
Search "Get Food NYC" Online
www.schools.nyc.gov/freemeals
Text "NYC MEALS" to 877-877

Summer 2021

- Summer Rising program sites will offer free breakfast, lunch, and snacks
- “Community meal” sites will continue (specific locations to be announced)
- More details to come...

QUESTIONS?



LAURIE M. TISCH CENTER FOR
FOOD, EDUCATION & POLICY
— PROGRAM IN NUTRITION —
TEACHERS COLLEGE COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

Are you a parent of a NYC public school student?

We want to understand how school meals have worked
for you & your children during COVID-19.

Join a 1-hour focus group, if eligible.

Compensation: \$25

THANK YOU!

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For Pending Spring 2020 P-EBT food funds

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