



## Summer EBT Letter for Families

For households with children attending a Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) school who are not automatically eligible and need to apply for Summer EBT.

Dear Nebraska Household:

Your student attends a school district participating in the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP). CEP is a federal program that provides free breakfast and lunch to all students regardless of income. This program differs from approval for free or reduced-priced meals through the National School Lunch Program (NSLP). Students attending CEP school districts may not automatically qualify for Summer EBT benefits and may need to complete a Summer EBT application. If your household receives public assistance benefits such as the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Aid to Dependent Children (ADC), Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR), or qualifying income-based Medicaid programs, you will not need to complete a Summer EBT application.

If your household income is less than 185% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL), child(ren) in your household may be eligible for Summer EBT.

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JULY 1, 2025 - JUNE 30, 2026

Household Size	Free Meals					Reduced Price Meals				
	Annual	Monthly	Twice per Month	Every Two Weeks	Weekly	Annual	Monthly	Twice per Month	Every Two Weeks	Weekly
1	20,345	1,696	848	783	392	28,953	2,413	1,207	1,114	557
2	27,495	2,292	1,146	1,058	529	39,128	3,261	1,631	1,505	753
3	34,645	2,888	1,444	1,333	667	49,303	4,109	2,055	1,897	949
4	41,795	3,483	1,742	1,608	804	59,478	4,957	2,479	2,288	1,144
5	48,945	4,079	2,040	1,883	942	69,653	5,805	2,903	2,679	1,340
6	56,095	4,675	2,338	2,158	1,079	79,828	6,653	3,327	3,071	1,536
7	63,245	5,271	2,636	2,433	1,217	90,003	7,501	3,751	3,462	1,731
8	70,395	5,867	2,934	2,708	1,354	100,178	8,349	4,175	3,853	1,927
For each additional family member add:	7,150	596	298	275	138	10,175	848	424	392	196

If households report multiple frequencies of pay, total income must be calculated on an annual basis. Use the following conversions:  
Annual Income Conversion: Weekly X 52; Every 2 Weeks X 26; Twice a Month X 24; Monthly X 12

Participating families will receive \$120 for each eligible child on an EBT card, which you can use to buy food during the summer at grocery stores, farmers' markets, and other authorized retailers. Please contact the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) if you have any questions about eligibility or the benefits available.

If you think your children are eligible, you can apply for Summer EBT benefits online. Visit <https://dhhs.ne.gov/Pages/Summer-EBT.aspx> and apply by August 12, 2026, to get benefits for this summer. If you have questions, contact 800-383-4278, option 5.

You must provide your child's name, school, date of birth, names of other people in your household, income, and address. Receiving Summer EBT will not affect children or families' immigration status.

If you have questions, contact the SEBT department at [DHHS.SEBT@nebraska.gov](mailto:DHHS.SEBT@nebraska.gov) or 800-383-4278, option 5, and the Nebraska Department of Education at [NDE.SEBT@nebraska.gov](mailto:NDE.SEBT@nebraska.gov).