Pandemic EBT (P-EBT) Benefits for School Meals

The federal Families First Coronavirus Response Act of 2020 provides benefits, referred to as Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer (P-EBT), to families of school-aged children who would have otherwise received free or reduced-priced meals if it were not for school closures.

Families of school-aged children (K-12) in the Quakertown Community School District will receive the approximate food benefit amount of \$365.00 for each school-aged child in their family. This benefit will be issued in the form of a P-EBT card issued by the Pennsylvania Department of Human Services (DHS).

If you already <u>have</u> an active EBT card, the P-EBT funds will automatically be added to that card. You do not need to do anything for this to occur.

If you <u>do not have</u> an active EBT card and your mailing address is correct with the School District you also do not need to do anything to receive your P-EBT card. If your mailing address with the School District is <u>not correct</u>, please provide your current mailing address to ensure proper delivery of your P-EBT card.

Below is a breakdown of the number of days students will receive benefits if they were determined eligible for free or reduced-price meals on or after March 16, 2020:

- Eligible on or before March 31, 2020 benefit for March 16 through June 12 (65 days)
- Eligible April 1 through April 30 benefit for April 1 through June 12 (53 days)
- Eligible May 1 through May 31 benefit for May 1 through June 12 (31 days)
- Eligible June 1 through June 12 benefit for June 1 through June 12 (10 days)

Information for families is available on the DHS website at: https://www.dhs.pa.gov/providers/Providers/Pages/Coronavirus-Pandemic-EBT.aspx.