

Summer Electronic Benefit Transfer (Summer-EBT) for 2024

[The Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023](#) authorized a permanent, nationwide Summer Electronic Benefit Transfer (Summer EBT) program for eligible families beginning in 2024. The state of Minnesota, in a joint effort between the Minnesota Department of Education (MDE), the Minnesota Department of Human Services (DHS) and Minnesota IT Services (MNIT) is pleased to announce plans to implement this new federal Summer EBT program in summer 2024. The Summer EBT program provides families with school-aged children eligible for free or reduced-price school meals \$40/month per child (\$120 total) during the summer months to purchase healthy foods with funds placed on EBT cards.

Parents/Guardians who are directly certified or categorically eligible or have an approved NSLP (lunch application) on file with their school will automatically qualify for this benefit (NO ACTION IS REQUIRED).

Parents/Guardians who have not completed a lunch application for the 2023-2024 school year are encouraged to fill one out and get it submitted prior to the end of the school year. All applications must be dated and approved prior to August 23, 2024 to be eligible for the 2024 Summer EBT benefit.