Cumberland Valley Food Service

Pandemic EBT (P-EBT) and YOUR Family

Under the Family's First Coronavirus Response Act a *new* benefit is available to help families who qualify for <u>free or reduced price meals</u>. The benefit will come on an Electronic Benefit Transfer Card (EBT), a debit card. The benefits can only be spent on food. The card is valid for 6-months.

How do I know if I am eligible?

- If you were already receiving SNAP (Food Stamps) of Temporary Assistance for Need Families (TANF) you will get the P-EBT amount deposited on your EBT card for each student who is certified for free or reduced-price school meals.
- P-EBT cards will be mailed to households with students already enrolled in the free and reduced-price program when school closed.
- If you received Reduced meals and your income has changed fill out a new application to see if you now qualify for free meals.
- If your income has changed, and you did not receive meals during the school year you **MUST** complete an application in **SchoolCafe at schoolcafe.com**. You only need to complete one application for your family.
- By applying NOW your meal benefit status will carry over into the 2020—2021 school year for the first 30-school days. You will need to complete a new application when school resumes in August.

What if I have moved?

- We must have your current mailing address. Send an email to **dmorrow@cvschools.org** with the names of your children and their ID number, along with your updated mailing address.
- If you receive Food Stamps the current address on file will be used to mail your P-EBT card. You must call 1-877-395-8900 to update your address.

How much will I get? Depending on when your application is processed you can receive \$176.70—\$370.50 per child.

Can we still pick-up meals through the Drive-up Program? YES! This does not change our pick-up program.

- May Pick-up dates are Monday's and Wednesday's at the High School, Hampden Elementary, Middlesex Elementary, Monroe Elementary and Sporting Hill Elementary Schools.
- June Pick-up instructions will be coming out soon

Who can I call for help?

• If you have questions or need assistance, call: Food Services 717-506-3318 or 717-506-3305. The office is open varius hours. If we miss your call leave a message and we will get back to you.

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