

P-EBT Update: Next Data Deadline is July 25

Attendance Data Will Be Pulled Through June 2021

Data is pulled monthly from the Illinois State Board of Education's Student Information System (SIS) and shared with the Illinois Department of Human Services (DHS) to process and issue P-EBT benefits to eligible students. **The deadline for the month of July 2021 will be July 25, with SIS data being shared with DHS the morning of July 26.** Complete student data in SIS by July 26 will have the P-EBT benefits issued by DHS in the subsequent month. For example, if the data is entered into SIS by July 25, ISBE will generate a data report to DHS on July 26, with the P-EBT benefits being provided to eligible students during the calendar month of August 2021.

Also, please note that the Illinois Summer P-EBT application is pending. Therefore, the first data transfer for Summer P-EBT will be pushed back. Data transfer plans will be updated once the Summer P-EBT plan from USDA is approved. Schools should ensure that all student data in SIS or the Web-Based Illinois Nutrition System (WINS) is accurate. If changes are necessary, please work with the ISBE SIS team to ensure accurate student data. For non-CEP participating schools, the low-income indicator in SIS should only be marked for students that actually meet the socioeconomic requirements for free or reduced-price meal eligibility. Please note that there is only one more data deadline for School Year 2020-2021 and Summer P-EBT that will occur on Aug. 25. Once this data collection period is over, data updates for SY 20-21 and Summer P-EBT benefits cannot be accepted.

The ongoing effort by school staff for the P-EBT benefits for families is tremendous, and we thank you! We know that calls and parent inquiries are great to your local schools as well as to DHS and ISBE.

For our public schools, there is a P-EBT specific report in SIS that schools and districts can run to see the data entered and how P-EBT benefits will be provided. (Click **"Report," "Student," "Nutrition," then "P-EBT."**) This report in SIS will help you identify which students are eligible for benefits and for which months. With this data, parent questions may be addressed with accurate information. **It is IMPERATIVE that schools check this report and that all student data is entered prior to the student exited from SY 20-21 in SIS.**

The [SIS User Manual](#) includes information on how to update the required data elements. Any questions specific to data elements within SIS, please reach out to our SIS team with the ISBE Help Desk: (217) 558-3600, Option 3, or help@isbe.net. Non-public schools can view each month's uploaded student data under the P-EBT Upload link in WINS.

Due to the current call volumes, we encourage schools to review posted information at www.isbe.net/pebt. ISBE's role with P-EBT is to support school's efforts to submit accurate data.

Families should be directed to DHS for assistance with P-EBT benefits should the school be unable to assist them with the P-EBT benefit questions. Families can review information at www.DHS.Illinois.gov/PEBT, including the frequently asked questions. They may also contact the DHS toll-free P-EBT Helpline number at (833) 621-0737 or submit a [P-EBT General Inquiry Request](#).

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