

Chambersburg Area School District Food Service Notice

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) or 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.
- Students attending a Community Eligible Provision (CEP) School will automatically receive these benefits.
 - Thaddeus Stevens elementary
 - Benjamin Chambers Elementary
 - Andrew Buchanan Elementary
 - Hamilton Heights Elementary
 - Franklin Learning Center
 - If you do not choose to utilize the funds, they are not transferable. Shred the debt card when received.
- 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.com** or through COMPASS, www.compass.pa.gov. 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.

How much will I get? Depending on when your application is processed, you may receive \$5.70 per child per day of closure.

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

 May Pick-up dates 3 locations Fayetteville, Stevens, Benjamin Chambers May 14, 18, 21, 26, 28

Who can I call for help?

• If you have questions or need assistance call the food service office at 717-261-3391 Hours vary and we will call you back at our earliest convenience or email lori.bumbaugh@casdonline.org