Use Your Pandemic-EBT Funds!

Do you have SNAP (food stamp) benefits? Funds will be added to the Ohio Direction card you already have. Use your funds the same way you use your SNAP benefits.

Get a P-EBT card (or cards) in the mail? Follow the steps below.

1. Activate your P-EBT Card(s)
   - **Call the phone number** on the back of the card.
   - **Create a PIN:** Your card will come with instructions. Remember to use the four digits of the child’s BIRTH YEAR (e.g. 2005) when asked for “last 4 digits of the child’s Social Security Number.” Then set a 4-digit PIN number. You will use your 4-digit PIN number when buying food with your card.

2. Go to a store or shop that sells groceries
   - **P-EBT funds** can be used anywhere SNAP benefits are accepted, like grocery stores, smaller corner stores, and many farmers markets.
   - **Look for signs** that say “WE ACCEPT EBT/SNAP HERE.”
   - **Find SNAP retailers** near you here.

3. Pick what you want to buy
   - **You can use P-EBT funds** to buy most fresh, canned, and frozen food items, like fruits and vegetables, meat, dairy, eggs, dry goods, and seeds to grow your own food.
   - **You can’t use P-EBT funds** to buy hot prepared foods, toiletries, diapers, alcohol and tobacco, or other non-food items.
   - **For a complete list of approved items,** click here.

4. Pay with your card(s) at the register
   - **Remember your PIN number** when you go to the store.
   - **Swipe your card** at the check-out counter like a debit card, but press the button for EBT.
   - **Enter your PIN #** on the number pad, then press Enter.

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