



## Groveport Madison Schools District Service Center

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[www.gocruisers.org](http://www.gocruisers.org)

Dear Groveport Madison Schools Families,

The Summer EBT program provides children who are eligible for free or reduced-price meals with Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits. All free or reduced-price meal certified students who have access to the National School Lunch Program or School Breakfast Program qualify for a new program called Summer Electronic Benefits Transfer (Summer EBT), also known as SUN Bucks, which helps households purchase food during the summer when school is out. Children's names will automatically be enrolled in the program. You do not need to apply if you currently receive free or reduced-price meals.

If you have not done so, and your child does not receive free or reduced-price meals, please complete an application for free or reduced lunch. Applications can be completed at any time during the school year. Applications can be found online at <https://www.payschoolscentral.com>. You can also download an application at <https://www.gocruisers.org/FoodService.aspx>.

As part of the Summer EBT program, you will receive \$120 for each eligible child in the household on your Ohio Directions card (if you have one) or a benefit card in the mail. You can use the money to purchase food during the summer at grocery stores, farmers' markets, and other approved retailers.

The Summer EBT benefit will be sent by the beginning of July. Benefits will be available to use for 122 days after you receive the benefit on your Ohio Direction Card or receive the benefit card in the mail. Receiving Summer EBT will not affect children's or families' immigration status.

If your address has changed this year, be sure to update it with your school district or benefit issuance agency (SNAP, Medicaid, OWF) to ensure your benefit card is sent to the correct address. If you do not wish to participate in Summer EBT, do not use the card. The benefits will expire after 122 days.

In addition to Summer EBT, children under 18 years of age in your household can also receive free meals during the summer at a summer meal site. You can call 1-866-3-HUNGRY or 1-877-8-HAMBRE (or text 914-342-7744 with the keyword "summer meals") to find the location closest to you.

**If you have questions, contact the Summer EBT helpline at 1-866-244-0071, option 1.**

Sincerely,

Dan Magee  
Food Service Director  
Groveport Madison Schools

We believe all Cruisers are valuable. We will unconditionally SERVE, SUPPORT, and INSPIRE. Therefore, every Cruiser will maximize their unique PURPOSE, POTENTIAL, and POWER to produce the results they want.

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*Every Student, Every Lesson, Every Day*