

NEW SECTION

WAC 388-437-0010 Pandemic EBT benefits. Pandemic EBT benefits are available to households of children whose schools were closed for at least five consecutive days during the emergency designation and who would normally receive free or reduced price meals under the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act if not for school closures due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

(1) Household allotments will be no less than the value of school meals at the free rate over the course of five school days for each eligible school age child in the household.

(a) A school age child is defined as household members between the ages of five and eighteen as of October 1, 2019; or

(b) Household members between the ages of eighteen and twenty-one attending high school.

(2) Pandemic EBT benefits will only be issued in months a child met eligibility requirements for free or reduced price lunches.