

# **Apply Now for SUMMER EBT**



### What are SUN Bucks?

"SUN Bucks" is the new name for Summer EBT. Eligible families of school-age children will receive \$120 per child for qualifying groceries during the summer. Families that submitted an Education Benefit form this year are NOT automatically qualified for this program and WILL NEED TO APPLY for SUN Bucks directly through the MI Bridges website. Families already participating in SNAP, TANF, or FDPIR programs ARE automatically enrolled to receive SUN Bucks.

## How do I apply for SUN Bucks?

The application is available online through <u>MI Bridges</u> and can be found at the bottom of their website. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis until August 31, 2025; however applications need to be processed before April 15, 2025 to be eligible for the first issuance of SUN Bucks in May. This program is NOT retroactive, so early submission of an application is recommended.

## Things to Keep in Mind...

- Families that already submitted an Education Benefit form do NOT automatically qualify for the SUN Bucks program. You WILL NEED TO APPLY DIRECTLY through the MI Bridges website to apply for the SUN Bucks program.
- 2025 Summer EBT benefits (SUN Bucks) will be issued beginning in May 2025.
- Eligible households will receive a letter explaining: Summer EBT eligibility, how to activate/use cards, when benefits will expire, how to opt out, and what constitutes a qualifying purchase.
- Summer EBT Cards will be issued in the name of each eligible child and will be valid for future years, so do NOT throw out your EBT Card once the balance has been used.
- Families with an active Food or Cash Assistance case will have their benefits loaded on their existing Bridge Card.

### **QUESTIONS?**

Contact MDHHS Summer EBT at 1-833-905-0028; option 2. Or email: MDHHS-SEBT@MICHIGAN.GOV