

## Notification to Apply for SUN Bucks

Dear Families:

If your household income is less than 185% of the Federal level, the school aged children in your household may be eligible for a new Indiana Department of Education program called SUN Bucks. **Households that have been notified of eligibility by Direct Certification do not need to apply.** You are receiving this letter because your child is not currently eligible.

Participating families will receive \$120 for each eligible child on a card that you can use to buy food during the summer at grocery stores, farmers markets, and other authorized retailers. If you think your children are eligible, you can get SUN Bucks by filling out a simple application. To apply for SUN Bucks go to <https://indianasunbucks.com>. Applications will be accepted until Friday, August 16, 2024, in order to get benefits for this summer. If you need assistance filling out an application, or if you have questions, submit a ticket to the online help form: <https://idoe.atlassian.net/servicedesk/customer/portal/11>.

You will need to provide your child's name, school, date of birth, along with the names of other people in your household, your household income, and address where you would like the benefit card to be sent. You will not need to provide any documentation to apply. Receiving Summer EBT will not affect children or families' immigration status.

In addition to SUN Bucks the 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, you can contact the SUN Bucks helpline at 317-234-4528 or contact Lori Zeider, Rensselaer Central Schools Food Service Director, [lori.zeider@rcsc.k12.in.us](mailto:lori.zeider@rcsc.k12.in.us) or 219-866-7822 extension 2018.

*If approved and you receive more than \$120 per eligible child in your household, do not use the benefits, and submit a ticket to the online help form <https://idoe.atlassian.net/servicedesk/customer/portal/11> as soon as possible to confirm or correct the error.*

FEDERAL ELIGIBILITY INCOME CHART For School Year 2023-24			
Household size	Yearly	Monthly	Weekly
1	26,973	2,248	519
2	36,482	3,041	702
3	45,991	3,833	885
4	55,500	4,625	1,068
5	65,009	5,418	1,251
6	74,518	6,210	1,434
7	84,027	7,003	1,616
8	93,536	7,795	1,799
Each additional person:	+9,509	+793	+183



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