



Community Partner Talking Points

Community partners bridge the gap between schools and their communities. The Indiana Department of Education (IDOE) provides content below to support community partner outreach to families via social media, newsletters, and/or emails. Community partners are also welcome to use these [SUN Bucks graphics](#) in outreach communications. Questions about automatic eligibility should be directed to the child's school.

General Program Notification

Beginning summer 2024, Indiana will provide EBT benefits to help families with eligible school-age children buy groceries during the summer. Households that receive this benefit can also participate in free summer meal service in their community. To learn more about this new benefit program, visit the [Indiana SUN Bucks](#) webpage.

Indiana SUN Bucks Application

Click [here](#) to confirm that the application is open.

- Need a little extra help with your child's nutrition this summer? The application for SUN Bucks is now open through Friday, August 16. If you were not notified of automatic eligibility by your child's school, apply by Wednesday, May 1, to ensure your family has money for groceries throughout the summer. Visit the [Indiana SUN Bucks](#) webpage for more information.

Reminders to Update Address

- Households that are automatically eligible for SUN Bucks should ensure their current address is up to date with their child's school. Households should contact their school for instructions on how to update their address before Wednesday, May 1.
- SUN Bucks cards will be mailed to the household address the child's school has on file. Address updates must be received by your child's school before Wednesday, May 1, to guarantee that cards are sent to the correct address.

General Program Information

When school is out for the summer and food budgets are tight, you can get help to make sure your kids get healthy meals with SUN Bucks, a new benefit program for families with eligible school-age kids. Learn more by visiting the [Indiana SUN Bucks webpage](#).

Summer Food Service Program Promotion

If you receive SUN Bucks, you can still participate in the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP). Together, these benefits help fuel children during the summer months when school is out. To find more information visit the [SFSP Site Finder](#) or [Indiana SUN Bucks Webpage](#).

Mid-Summer SUN Bucks Reminder

Indiana SUN Bucks is for all school-aged children who qualify. The application is still open if you did not automatically qualify through your school. Learn more about SUN Bucks [here](#).

SUN Bucks Application Deadline

The deadline to apply for 2024 SUN Bucks benefits is Friday, August 16. If you did not automatically qualify and have not yet applied, please do so before the deadline. [Apply here](#).

SUN Bucks Expungement Reminder

Make sure you use your 2024 SUN Bucks benefit before it expires. Households have 122 days from the card's issuance to spend funds. Click [here](#) to find a store that accepts SUN Bucks near you!