## PATTONSBURG R-II SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Pattonsburg Families,



The Pattonsburg R-II School District has been asked to assist the Missouri Department of Social Services (DSS) and the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) in dispersing critical nutrition benefits to families whose children received free or reduced lunches during the 2023-2024 school year.

Families with children who meet the criteria will receive an EBT card by mail, or the benefit will be added to their existing EBT card. Criteria for automatic eligibility includes:

- The household already participates in SNAP or Temporary Assistance, including extended eligible household members, or
- The child is age 7-17 and in foster care, homeless, a migrant, or
- The child attends a school that offers the National School Lunch or School Breakfast Program, and the household income meets the requirements for free or reduced-price school meals.

Households have until August 31, 2024, to submit the application online to receive these benefits. The link to the application can be found below.

## https://www.healthytogether.co/onboarding/missouri-sun-bucks

Families and other stakeholders with questions about the Missouri SuN Bucks Program should contact DSS directly. For additional information, resources, and frequently asked questions about the Missouri SuN Bucks program, please visit <a href="https://mydss.mo.gov/SuNBucks">https://mydss.mo.gov/SuNBucks</a>.

It should be noted that the school district received this information on the afternoon of August 22, 2024. The school realizes the window for applying for the benefit is short. It is the responsibility of each family to apply for this benefit. The school is simply sharing this information. Any questions should be directed to DSS.

Respectfully,

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