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**Thursday, September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

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# DeSmet Public School



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**Picture Day** is scheduled for next **Tuesday, September 17<sup>th</sup>**. The picture packet was sent home last week. If you need another copy, we have a few available at the office. If you are ordering pictures please return packet to the teacher on picture day.

We have included a **Missing Child Photo Repository Opt-In Form**. If you wish to participate, please sign the form and have your student submit it to their teacher or the front office.

The Missoula Food Bank is now delivering Fresh Food Boxes. For more information, please refer to the attached flyer.

Please review the attached flyer for information regarding summer EBT benefits for families who will receive the benefits this fall.

**Boys' basketball** for grades 6-8 will be the next upcoming sport. If your student is interested in playing, please ensure that their sports physicals are completed prior to the first practice, if possible.

## Upcoming Events:

- **Girls Volleyball Game Sept. 17<sup>th</sup> at Valley Christian @4:00**
- **Girls Volleyball Game Sept. 18<sup>th</sup> in Bonner @4:00**
- **September 17<sup>th</sup>: Picture Day**
- **September 26<sup>th</sup>: Early release at 12:30 PM**
- **September 27<sup>th</sup>: No School**

# MISSING CHILD PHOTO REPOSITORY OPT-IN FORM

The Montana Office of Public Instruction (OPI) maintains an electronic directory photograph repository of all Montana students for the exclusive purpose of locating missing school-age children. The repository provides immediate and 24/7 year-round access to a child's school directory photograph to law enforcement should a child be reported missing. It uses students' current school photos that most schools take annually for school directories, ID cards, year books, etc.

**Complete and sign this form and return it to your school if you want your student's photograph included in the repository**

**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent or Guardian Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

## Important Information for Parents & Guardians:

- **Information about the electronic photograph repository:** The repository is authorized by Montana Code Annotated ([20-7-1317](#), MCA) and requires the Montana Office of Public Instruction (OPI) to create and maintain an electronic directory photograph repository of all Montana students for the exclusive purpose of locating missing school-age children. The repository provides immediate and 24/7 year-round access to a child's school directory photograph to law enforcement should a child be reported missing. Annually, districts must provide parents and guardians notice of the repository and a form to opt-in their student(s).
- **Who will have access to my child's photograph in the photo repository?** Your child's photograph will only be used by law enforcement for the express purpose of locating your child should he/she be reported to law enforcement as missing. No other use by OPI or law enforcement is permitted. Access by OPI staff will be strictly limited and controlled to staff or contractors creating and maintaining the repository.
- **How do I remove my child's photograph from the photograph repository?** A parent can opt-out at any time. Contact your school/district to request your child's photograph be removed.
- **How long will my child's photograph be in the repository?** Photos will be updated annually; if the photo is not updated and the parent doesn't opt-out, the photos will be purged from the repository after two years.
- Please visit <https://dojmt.gov/missing-persons/> to find more information about missing school-age children.

# New Grocery Benefit!

Summer EBT  
\$120 per eligible child



## Who will get Summer EBT?



**S-EBT 2024:** families who were directly certified for free/reduced price school meals through public assistance programs (like SNAP) *or* who submitted an application before August 2024 should receive S-EBT in the mail in fall 2024.

**S-EBT 2025:** Scan or visit [dca.opi.mt.gov/frapp](https://dca.opi.mt.gov/frapp) for application information.

## How can I use Summer EBT?

Summer EBT (or SUN Bucks) **must be used within 122 days from when funds are issued.** Benefits will be mailed on a debit-style EBT card that can be used at stores, farmers markets, and online retailers that accept SNAP.

## Will Summer EBT affect other benefits?

Summer EBT will not affect other benefits you receive. S-EBT will be issued *in addition* to other benefits. S-EBT will not affect immigration status.

**The Office of Public Instruction can answer child specific questions.  
Contact the hot-line at (406) 444-0044 or email [S-EBT@mt.gov](mailto:S-EBT@mt.gov)**





# FRESH FOOD BOX

The last Thur.  
of each  
month food is  
delivered to  
your home.  
Evening  
delivery  
available  
upon request.

Boxes include  
dairy, grains, and  
a rotating  
variety of  
protein, fruits, &  
vegetables.

**TRY YOUR  
FIRST  
MONTH  
FOR FREE!**

**\$7 SMALL BOX**  
**\$15 LARGE BOX**  
Or pay with SNAP and apply double  
SNAP dollars for a discounted price!



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