HOW DO I APPLY?

Call your local MDHS Office

OR

If you currently receive SNAP benefits, complete a SNAP E&T application (MDHS-EA-504).

OR

Contact one of the seven participating community colleges

If you do not receive SNAP benefits, complete a SNAP application (MDHS-EA-900) and a SNAP E&T application (MDHS-EA-504).

After completing the appropriate application forms, mail or take them to your local MDHS Office.

Application forms may be printed from our website at: www.mdhs.ms.gov
SNAP E & T

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) E&T is intended to assist eligible SNAP recipients who volunteer by providing access to career and technical courses of study and/or workforce training programs. Eligible applicants are required to:

- Complete a telephonic interview with the MDHS case manager;
- Meet with a Career and Technical Advisor at the local Community College;
- Apply for available grants and scholarships;
- Enroll in an approved career and technical course of study or workforce skills training program at a participating Community College;
- Participate satisfactorily and remain in good standing with the educational institution; and
- Provide documentation verifying satisfactory progression/participation and good standing status, as requested.

NOTE: Participation in college activities is limited to a lifetime maximum of three (3) years under the SNAP E&T Program.

FACTS

The SNAP E&T Program was developed by the Mississippi Department of Human Services (MDHS), Division of Field Operations (DFO), and the Mississippi Community College Board (MCCB).

- Seven (7) of the fifteen (15) Community Colleges chose to participate.
- This program will cover tuition that cannot be covered by a Pell grant other federal or state grants or scholarships.
- Online courses through participating Community Colleges are acceptable, if they are approved by MCCB.

TUTITION ASSISTANCE FOR ACADEMIC COURSES IS NOT COVERED BY THE SNAP E&T PROGRAM.

SERVICES PROVIDED

- Assessment by a Career and Technical Advisor.
- Assistance with the completion of grant and scholarship applications.
- Enrollment in career education and training programs.

ELIGIBILITY

All of the following are required.

- SNAP only recipient (You cannot be receiving TANF—Temporary Assistance for Needy Families.)
- Between the ages of 16 and 59
- U.S. citizen and a resident of Mississippi
- Registered for work with the MS Department of Employment Security

NOTE: Students who do not currently receive SNAP benefits may qualify for SNAP as an eligible student under the SNAP E&T Program, if all other SNAP eligibility criteria are met. Discuss potential eligibility with your Career and Technical Advisor.

You may apply for SNAP benefits and the SNAP E&T Program at your local county MDHS Office.

Individuals currently receiving SNAP benefits will be required to submit a completed SNAP E&T application to the local county DHS office. If determined eligible, you will be referred to MDHS case management for participation in the program. Referral to the college must be made by your case manager.

Applications for SNAP benefits will be processed, approved, or denied based on current policy. If you are under age 22 and live with a parent, all household members must be included in the SNAP application. For information on SNAP eligibility, visit the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service website at:

www.fns.usda.gov/snap/applicant_recipients/

NOTE: Individuals meeting any of the following criteria are not eligible for SNAP benefits:

- living on campus and are required to purchase a meal ticket;
- convicted of a drug related felony since August 22, 1996;
- is a fleeing felon; or
- disqualified for any reason.