

# CORPORATE AND INDIVIDUAL SCHOLARSHIP TAX CREDIT PROGRAM

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• Scholarship tax credit—corporate and individual	SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS  Be accredited by a national or regional accreditation agency that is recognized by the state board  Administer a nationally recognized and norm-referenced assessment to the students
• Family income cannot exceed 200 percent of the free or reduced-price lunch program (\$88,246 for a family of four in 2014) • Must have been enrolled in public school the prior year or be entering kindergarten or received a scholarship in the previous school year	• Tuition and fees  TAX CREDIT VALUE  • 50 percent of donation
<ul> <li>SCHOLARSHIP GRANTING ORGANIZATION (SGO) REQUIREMENTS</li> <li>Use at least 90 percent of contributions for scholarships</li> <li>Certified by the state</li> <li>Make scholarships available for more than one school</li> <li>Conduct criminal background checks on all SGO employees and board members</li> </ul>	• None  STATEWIDE CAP • \$7.5 million
Have an outside financial audit conducted and provide an annual report to the state	· 2009

DATA UPDATE	
Scholarships Awarded	11,067
Schools Participating	295
SGOs Operating	5
2013 Donations	\$16,125,956





### **PROGRAM TYPE**

- · Voucher
  - Means-tested

### STUDENT ELIGIBILITY

- Family income cannot exceed 100 percent of the free or reduced-price lunch program (\$44,123 for a family of four in 2014) for a full scholarship
- Family income cannot exceed 150 percent of the free or reduced-price lunch program (\$66,185 for a family of four) for a partial scholarship
- · Attended public school for two semesters immediately prior to enrolling in the Choice Scholarship Program or received a scholarship under the Corporate and Individual Scholarship Tax Credit Program.
- $\cdot$  Have an Individualized Education Program (IEP) and have a family income that cannot exceed 200 percent of the free or reduced-price lunch program (\$88,246 for a family of four in 2014)
- · Attended or zoned to attend a public school rated "F" and have a family income that cannot exceed 150 percent of the free or reduced-price lunch program (\$66,185 for a family of four)
- · Are siblings of a student who received either a Choice Scholarship or an SGO scholarship in a preceding school year and have a family income that cannot exceed 150 percent of the free or reduced-price lunch program (\$66,185 for a family of four)
- · Received a voucher the previous year and have a family income of 200 percent of the free or reduced-price lunch program (\$88,246 for a family of four)

#### SCHOLARSHIP CAP

- · Whichever is less:
  - Tuition and fees of private school
  - 90 percent of the state tuition support amount for students with a family income not exceeding 100 percent of the free or reduced-price lunch program or 50 percent of the state tuition support amount for students with a family income not exceeding 150 percent of the free or reduced-price lunch program
  - \$4,700 for students in grades 1-8

### SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS

- · Be accredited by either the state board or a national or regional accreditation agency that is recognized by the state board
- · Comply with health and safety codes
- · Must not discriminate on basis of race, color or national origin
- · Conduct criminal background checks on employees
- · Submit to the state financial reporting on the amount of government funding received, funding disbursed and school's total disbursements
- · Administer the Indiana Statewide Testing for Educational Progress (ISTEP) assessment and report to the state data for A-F ratings including ISTEP scores and graduation rates
  - To remain eligible to accept new scholarship students, a school must not be rated as "D" or "F" for two or more consecutive years
- Must grant the state full access to its premises for observing classroom instruction and reviewing any instructional materials and curriculum
- · Provide civic and character education and display related historical documents

### **ENROLLMENT CAP**

· None

# **PROGRAM FUNDING**

· No specific program appropriation

# YEAR ENACTED

· 2011

DATA UPDATE	
Scholarships Awarded	29,148
Schools Participating	313
2014 Expenditures	\$115,923,832

