



# Florida Private School and Home Education Scholarships

## 2023-24 STEP UP FAST FACTS

125,647 students funded on FTC  
 136,067 students funded on FES-EO  
 18,748 students funded on PEP

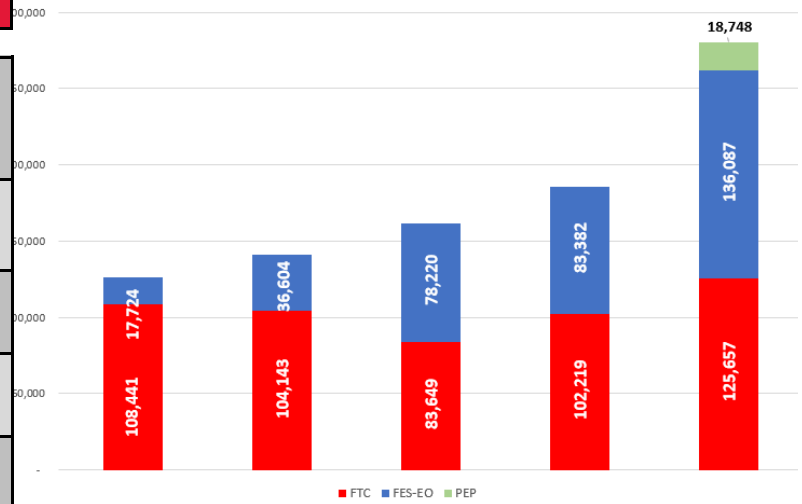
Average household income of \$85,658 for a family of four.

59 percent Black, Hispanic, Asian, Mixed-Race, Native American or Pacific Islander.

39 percent of students live in single-parent households

2,187 participating private schools

Florida Private School and Home Ed Scholarship Growth



Florida’s two private school scholarship programs, the Florida Tax Credit Scholarship (FTC) and Family Empowerment Scholarship for Educational Options (FES-EO), and the Personalized Education Program (PEP) provide education savings accounts to more than 257,000 students. Of those, more than 120,000 students are eligible for the Federal Free or Reduced Price Lunch Program, a proxy for students living in poverty. Eligible students have access to an education savings account that can be used to pay tuition, testing fees, textbooks, curriculum, digital materials and tutoring. may also choose a transportation scholarship to attend a public school.



## TESTING ACCOUNTABILITY

- [Students in grades 3-10 have been evaluated](#) with state-approved national norm-referenced tests since 2006.
- Studies show the average scholarship student are among the lowest performers in their prior school. Once on scholarship, students see similar learning gains to all students nationally, regardless of income, and are more likely to attend and graduate from college.

For the **2023-24 SCHOOL YEAR**, the **SCHOLARSHIP** values vary by grade and county, but average between \$7,550 and \$8,200. Renewal students are grandfathered into the old formula, but will receive the higher of the two amounts.

Reports from the state Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability, Florida Revenue Estimating Conference and Florida TaxWatch **ALL SHOW THE FLORIDA TAX CREDIT SCHOLARSHIP SAVES THE STATE MONEY.**