

School Tuition Organizations

Please Apply for All Applicable Scholarship Categories

- 1) Disabled/Displaced This is the highest funding source for students with Autism. Under Lexie's Law, awards are available for students with an Arizona State approved disability(ies). These scholarships are available to students K- 12th grade who have an AZ public/charter school IEP, MET, or 504 plan. There is a prior year AZ public/charter school enrollment of at least 90 days as a requirement for students who are currently in 1st-12th grade. If using this option for funding, Autism Academy only accepts funding based on the primary eligibility of Autism on an Arizona IEP or MET.
- 2) Switcher/Plus Switching from an AZ public/charter school to an AZ private school. There is a prior year AZ public/charter school enrollment of at least 90 days as a requirement for students who are currently in 1st-12th grade.
- 3) Corporate/Low Income Family income based. There is a prior year AZ public/charter school enrollment of at least 90 days as a requirement for students who are currently in 1st-12th grade. The requirements to receive aid under low income program are based on 185% of the Free & Reduced lunch program guidelines. See the chart below for an **example** of past qualification levels:

FEDERAL REDUCED PRICE LUNCH GUIDELINES '20–'21 School Year		INCOME MAXIMUMS FOR AZ LOW-INCOME CORPORATE TAX CREDIT SCHOLARSHIPS
HOUSEHOLD SIZE	ANNUAL GROSS INCOME (185% of Poverty Level)	ANNUAL GROSS INCOME (185% of Amount in Column 2)
1	\$23,606	\$43,671
2	\$31,894	\$59,004
3	\$40,182	\$74,337
4	\$48,470	\$89,670
5	\$56,758	\$105,002
6	\$65,046	\$120,335
7	\$73,334	\$135,668
8	\$81,622	\$151,001
EACH ADDITIONAL PERSON	\$8,288	\$15,333

4) Original/Individual – Individuals and couples receive a dollar-for-dollar credit for their Arizona tax liability. This is an Arizona State tax credit. Funding availability for the Original/Individual scholarship is based on the tax credits received by the STOs. There is no prior year enrollment requirement. K-12 students attending a qualified private school in Arizona are eligible to receive the Original/Individual scholarship.



Please Apply To Each Of The STOs List Below

Each STO organization has their own application process. Some STOs require a single application for all 4 categories of scholarships and other STOs only require a single application for each of the 4 categories of scholarships.

FOR THE 2020/2021 SCHOOL YEAR

Arizona Leadership Foundation

Accepting applications starting 4/15/20 Application deadlines:

* Disabled Displaced: 7/22/20

* Low Income: 7/22/20 Phone: 602-320-2844

Web: www.arizonaleader.org

Institute for Better Education

Accepting applications starting 1/15/20 Application deadlines:

* Disabled/ Displaced: 8/17/20

* Low Income, Original & Switcher/PLUS: 5/4/20 and 8/14/20

Phone: 520-512-5438

Web: www.ibescholarships.org

School Choice Arizona, Inc.

Accepting applications starting 3/1/2020

Application deadlines:

* Disabled/Displaced: year round

* Low Income: 5/15/2020 and 12/31/2020

* Original & Switcher: 6/30/2020, 9/30/2020 and 2/28/2021

Phone: 480-722-7502

Web: www.schoolchoicearizona.org

(TOPS) Tuition Organization for Private Schools

Accepting applications starting 5/1/20 Application deadlines:

* Disabled/Displaced: 7/15/20

* Low Income: 7/15/20

* Original: 7/15/20, 10/15/20, 1/15/21 and

4/1/21

* Switcher/PLUS: 8/15/20 and 2/15/21

Phone: 480-414-8677

Web: www.topsforkids.com

Arizona Tuition Connection (Low Income Only)

Accepting applications starting 5/18/2020

Phone: 480-409-4106

Web: www.arizonatuitionconnection.com

Funding disbursement – Each organization has their own funding disbursement schedule. Funding may occur once a year, each semester, each quarter and/or monthly.

We are here to help with this process. If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact Kym Wilbur at 480-525-6197 ext. 114 or kwilbur@aaed.org.