

TAX CREDIT SCHOLARSHIPS

The Georgia Tax Credit Scholarship Program (officially titled the Qualified Education Expense Credit) is a state program that allows individuals and corporations to donate money for scholarships for Georgia students to attend private schools.

Scholarship amounts are determined by the Student Scholarship Organization (SSO) administering the scholarship and the private school the student is attending. The average scholarship amount (in 2022) was around \$4,300 and the maximum scholarship amount allowed is \$13,959.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

- To be eligible for a tax credit scholarship, a student must be a Georgia resident.
- The student must also be eligible to enroll in a Georgia public school (or a qualified pre-kindergarten or kindergarten program) or enrolled in and attending (for at least six weeks) a Georgia primary or secondary public school.
- Waivers are available for students assigned to low-performing schools, students who have suffered from school-based physical or verbal abuse, or students previously enrolled in a home study program.
- There are no income limits or enrollment caps for the tax credit scholarship program.

WHAT SCHOOLS CAN A STUDENT USE THEIR TAX CREDIT SCHOLARSHIP FOR?

Students can use their tax credit scholarship to attend any private school that:

- Is accredited or in the process of becoming accredited.
- Is located in Georgia.
- Adheres to the provision of the federal Civil Rights Act of 1964.
- Satisfies the requirements prescribed by law for private schools in Georgia.
- Accepts tax credit scholarships from an approved SSO.
- A list of most eligible, participating schools is available here: https://www.goalscholarship.org/participating_schools/ or scan this code:



HOW TO APPLY:

- Students cannot apply for tax credit scholarships directly. The participating school a student is attempting to attend must recommend a student to receive a scholarship.
- Parents or guardians who are interested in having their student receive a tax credit scholarship should contact the admissions department of their desired school.
- Parents may also contact an SSO for more information on scholarship availability. Scan this QR code to view a list of all approved SSOs:
- A link to the state's largest SSO, called GOAL, is available at <https://www.goalscholarship.org/> or you can scan this code:

