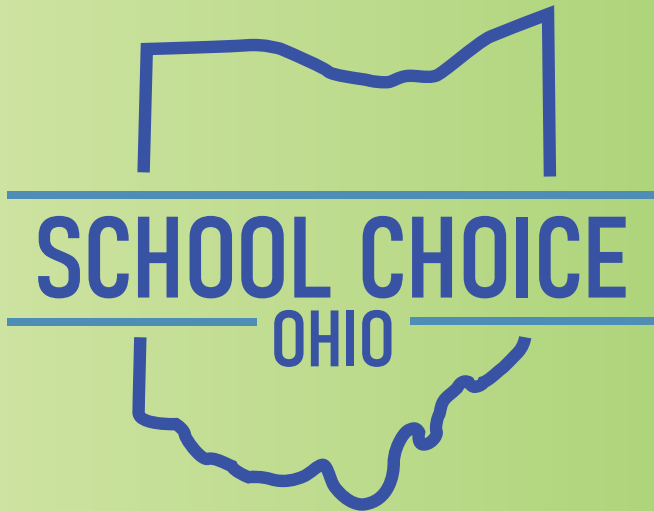


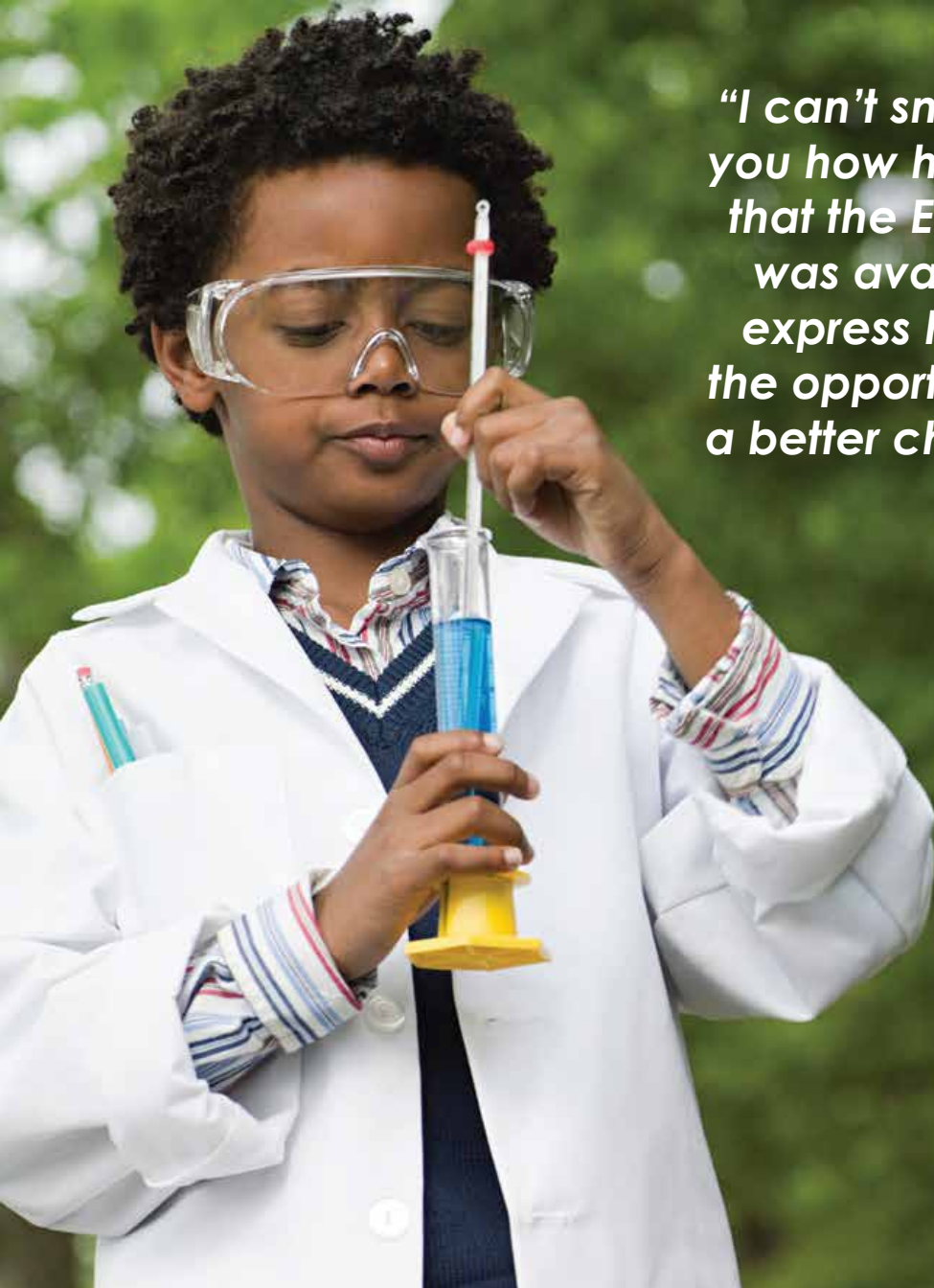
OHIO'S K-12 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS



Empowering Ohio families with
excellent educational opportunities for
every child.

“It’s just been wonderful for our community to have that choice to say education is the most important thing for my child. I go to bed and I’m so thankful, every night I’m so thankful for the Cleveland Scholarship.”





“I can’t smile big enough to tell you how happy I was to find out that the EdChoice Scholarship was available for us. I can’t express how grateful I am for the opportunity to give my child a better chance for their future.”

ED CHOICE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Created in 2005, the EdChoice Scholarship Program expands education options for students in the state's lowest-rated public schools.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

Your child is eligible to apply for an EdChoice Scholarship if he or she meets any one of these criteria:

- Attends one of the public schools on the designated school list in their home district
- Is assigned to attend a designated school for the upcoming school year but attends a charter or community school

Students entering Kindergarten (will be 5 by January 1 of the following year) who would be assigned to a designated public school

Students entering grades K-4 who would be assigned to a designated public school in their home district, regardless of where they attended school the previous year

- Students entering grades 9-12 who would be assigned to a designated public school in their home district, regardless of where they attended school the previous year
- Students who are enrolling in Ohio schools for the first time who would be assigned to a designated public school in their home district
- Students who are homeschooled and enrolling in Ohio schools for the first time who would be assigned to a designated public school in their home district
- Students whose sibling(s) received a traditional EdChoice Scholarship in the previous year
- Students who previously received an Autism or JP Scholarship but no longer qualify because they no longer need services
- Students who are foster children or reside in a certified foster home
- Students placed with a guardian, legal custodian, or kinship care

Each year, the Ohio Department of Education releases a list of the state's lowest-rated public schools. Visit scoho.org to find this year's list of designated low-rated schools whose students are eligible for EdChoice.

EdChoice Scholarships are used toward tuition at the participating private school of the family's choice.

EdChoice Scholarships are worth \$5,500 each year for students in grades K-8 and \$7,500 per year for high school students.

There are 60,000 scholarships available for students across Ohio. Scholarship recipients can continue to renew their scholarship each year through high school graduation.

HOW TO APPLY

RESEARCH

Review the list of participating private schools to find the school that is the best fit for your child and family.

APPLY

Apply to the participating private school(s) of your choice. Your child will go through the regular admission process at the school.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Upon your child's acceptance at the school of your choice, the private school will apply for the scholarship on your behalf.

Lower-income families can complete an income-verification process to qualify for tuition difference waiver

CLEVELAND SCHOLARSHIP & TUTORING PROGRAM

Created in 1995, The **Cleveland Scholarship & Tutoring Program** expands education options for students who live in the Cleveland Metropolitan School District.

Cleveland Scholarships are used toward tuition at a participating private school of the family's choice.

Cleveland Scholarships are worth \$5,500 for students in grades K-8 and \$7,500 per year for high school students. The number of available scholarships is based on the amount of funding the program receives from the state.

Scholarship recipients can continue to renew their scholarship each year through high school graduation.



WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

- Students entering grades K-12 who live in the Cleveland Metropolitan School District are eligible to apply.
- Families with students in grades K-8 whose gross income falls under 200% can apply to have difference in tuition waived
- Parents/Guardians must arrange to pay the private school any difference in tuition that is not paid by the scholarship.

HOW TO APPLY RESEARCH

Review the list of participating private schools to find the school that is the best fit for your child and family.

APPLY

Apply to the participating private school(s) of your choice. Your child will go through the regular admission process at the school.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Upon your child's acceptance at the school of your choice, the private school will apply for the scholarship on your behalf.

INCOME-BASED SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Created in 2013, The **Income-Based Scholarship Program** expands education options for students from working-class families.

Income-Based Scholarships are used toward tuition at a participating private school of the family's choice.

Income-Based Scholarships are worth \$5,500 per year for students in grade K-8 and \$7,500 per year for high school students.

Scholarship recipients can continue to renew their scholarship each year through high school graduation.



WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

- Any students entering grades K-12 who live in Ohio, whose family meets the scholarship income guidelines.

HOW TO APPLY

RESEARCH

Review the list of participating private schools to find the school that is the best fit for your child and family.

APPLY

Apply to the participating private school(s) of your choice. Your child will go through the regular admission process at the school.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Upon your child's acceptance at the school of your choice, the private school will apply for the scholarship on your behalf.

INCOME VERIFICATION

Complete income verification process through ODE's on-line portal in order to qualify.

Finding the **Best Fit** for your Child

MAKE A LIST OF WHAT YOU'RE LOOKING FOR IN A SCHOOL

STEP 1

Consider your child's learning needs. What type of school environment will enable your child to thrive? What level of academics and type of curriculum do you want for your child? It is important to also consider practical needs such as transportation and finances.

RESEARCH

Review the list of participating schools for your scholarship program. The lists of participating schools for each scholarship program are on the Ohio Department of Education's website at <https://scholarship.ode.state.oh.us>

STEP 2

A great way to learn about a school is to visit and observe during a school day or to call and ask questions. When talking with or visiting a potential school for your child, bring your list of questions. Feel free to ask any questions that will help you make the best decision for your child.

EVALUATE YOUR OPTIONS

STEP 3

Which schools best match what you are looking for on your list? Once you know your top options, you are ready to apply to the school or schools that you think will be the best fit for your child. You will go through the regular admission process at the school(s). You can apply to more than one school.

MAKE YOUR CHOICE

STEP 4

Your child may be accepted at more than one school, but you will want to enroll your child in the school that you believe is the best option for them. Enroll as soon as possible in the school of your choice to make sure that you can secure their seat.

Founded in 2005, School Choice Ohio is the only statewide organization that educates families on their education options and advocates for the expansion of quality education options for every Ohio child.



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