

# EDCHOICE SCHOLARSHIPS

## Frequently Asked Questions



### What is an Educational Choice (EdChoice) scholarship?

EdChoice scholarships enable families to choose a K-12 education at an Ohio chartered non-public school for their children using one of three state-funded scholarship programs:

1. EdChoice Expansion: available to ALL families
2. Traditional EdChoice: for students assigned to a low-performing public school
3. Cleveland Scholarship: for families residing in the Cleveland Public School District

### Are EdChoice scholarships only available to low-income families?

**No, now EVERYONE is eligible for an EdChoice scholarship!**

Every student in Ohio can receive an EdChoice Expansion scholarship to attend the chartered non-public school of their choice. Most Ohioans (80%) qualify for the highest award of \$6,166 for K-8 students and \$8,408 for 9-12 students! Scholarships are given on an income-based scale with the minimum award of \$616 for K-8 and \$840 for 9-12.

### Are EdChoice scholarships at risk of going away?

**School choice programs have helped Ohio families flourish for over two decades!**

Many Ohio legislators are committed to retaining EdChoice scholarship funding in the State operating budget every two years. The more families utilize the scholarships and share how they impact their lives with their elected officials, the more likely Ohio will prioritize the EdChoice program for years to come.

### How do EdChoice scholarships affect funding for public schools?

**Ohio allocated record funding to public education in fiscal year (FY) 2023.**

The EdChoice programs only account for 6% of the \$15.87 billion state-level spending on education. All local taxes and levies, which account for 52% of public-school funding, stay with the local district.

**Learn More about EdChoice Scholarship Options  
and Find a Participating Catholic School Near You:**



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**1/3**

of Ohio Catholic school students are an ethnic or racial minority.

**32%**

of students are not Catholic, but ALL students learn about the love and teachings of Jesus Christ.



Over 112,000 students attend the 367 Catholic schools across the state of Ohio.

Private schools must meet licensing and safety protocols to be chartered and abide by Ohio's Operating Standards to accept EdChoice scholarships.

