

ESTHER FUNDS FOUNDATION

# Donor FAQ

*Your questions, answered.*

## VOTE TO REACH: SCHOLARSHIP COMPETITION

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*Vote for a student. Help ship hope.*

## What is Vote to REACH?

A **vote-based scholarship competition and fundraiser** by Esther Funds Foundation (a 501(c)(3) nonprofit). Student contestants compete for a scholarship by rallying their community. Supporters donate to cast votes. The student with the most verified votes wins a scholarship of **up to \$2,000** — and every dollar helps ship free **REACH Boxes** to college students in need.

## How does voting work? How much is one vote?

Each contestant has their own voting ballot. Choose a vote bundle (or a custom amount) and donate through EFF's secure platform.

**\$1.50 = 1 vote**

**\$7.50 = 5 votes**

**\$15 = 10 votes**

**\$30 = 20 votes**

**\$75 = 50 votes**

**\$150 = 100 votes**

The contestant with the most verified votes when voting closes wins.

## Does my donation go directly to a contestant?

**No.** Your donation goes to **EFF's Vote to REACH campaign** — a nonprofit fundraiser. EFF uses the funds to:

- (1) Award the winner's scholarship
- (2) Fund the REACH Box program

It is not a personal payment to any individual contestant.

## How is the winner chosen?

The contestant with the **highest number of verified votes** wins. After voting closes, EFF reviews all transactions for refunds, chargebacks, disputes, duplicates, and fraud, and removes them.

The winner is announced **only after verification is complete**.

## What does the winner receive? Why “up to \$2,000”?

The winner receives a scholarship equal to **10% of the verified donations** raised through their own voting ballot, up to a maximum of **\$2,000**.

It’s “up to” because the amount is a percentage of what their community actually raises — **\$2,000 is the cap, not a guarantee**.

## Where does the remaining money go? How does it help REACH Boxes reach campuses?

All funds beyond the scholarship go to EFF's **REACH Box program** — supplies, packing, shipping, and delivery to college students facing hardship.

REACH Boxes are **free to students** but cost real money to assemble and ship.

**More votes = more boxes delivered.**

## Can I vote more than once? Can I vote for more than one contestant?

**Yes to both.** Donate and vote as many times as you like — each **\$1.50 = 1 vote** — and you can support as many different contestants as you want.

Your support for one **never takes away from another.**

## What happens if a vote is disputed or refunded? Can I get a refund?

Any refunded, reversed, charged-back, or fraudulent transaction is **removed during verification**, and scholarship amounts may be adjusted accordingly.

Donations support a charitable mission and are generally **non-refundable**; if a charge was made in error or without authorization, email [reach@estherfundsinc.org](mailto:reach@estherfundsinc.org).

## When will the winner be announced? How does EFF protect against fraud?

The winner is announced after a **verification period** following the close of voting — an intentional gap so results are fair.

During verification, EFF reviews all transactions for **duplicates, bots, fake accounts, chargebacks, and irregularities**, and removes suspicious activity before votes are finalized.

## Are donations tax-deductible? How do I get a receipt?

**Yes.** Esther Funds Foundation is a registered **501(c)(3) nonprofit**, and donations are tax-deductible to the extent permitted by law.

For a donation receipt, email [reach@estherfundsinc.org](mailto:reach@estherfundsinc.org). Consult your tax advisor for guidance specific to your situation.

## Why is this campaign important?

Too many students drop out when basic pressures pile up — a missed meal, a crisis, nowhere to turn.

Vote to REACH gives **one student a scholarship** and funds **REACH Boxes for many more**.

When you vote, you invest in the belief that **every future deserves a chance to be fulfilled**.

# Still have **questions?**

*If this presentation didn't answer your question, we're here to help.*

**Questions:** [reach@estherfundsinc.org](mailto:reach@estherfundsinc.org)

**Donation receipts:** [reach@estherfundsinc.org](mailto:reach@estherfundsinc.org)

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