

*Arizona extracurricular activities*

# TAX CREDIT PROGRAM

## A WIN-WIN OPPORTUNITY FOR EVERYONE

Here's your chance to make an important contribution to education at our schools and receive an income tax credit for the full amount you contribute up to \$200 (or \$400 per married couple).

### YOU HAVE MANY CHOICES

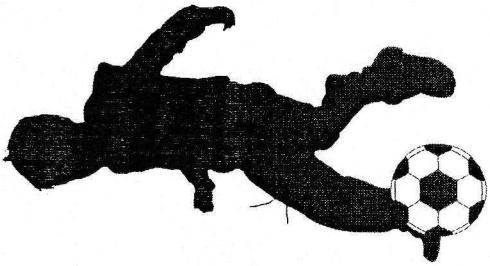
To claim the tax credit, taxpayers must contribute to a qualified education program or extracurricular activity for one of the general categories listed below or you may specify a program on the list you want to support. Available activities vary by school site. Please contact the specific school for the activities at that location.

### EXAMPLES OF FEES

- Festival sports fees
- Athletic fees
- Overnight field trips
- After-school classes (i.e. homework class, tutoring, reading class, etc.)

### \*KNOW THE DIFFERENCE

Contributions to public schools have always been tax deductible. A tax deduction allows you to subtract the amount of a contribution from the amount of your taxable income. The law allows a tax credit which is subtracted from the amount of taxes you owe. A tax credit is a full refund of your money.



### HERE'S YOUR CHANCE

Arizona tax law (ARS 43-1089.01) allows taxpayers a tax credit\* of up to \$200 (or \$400 per married couple) if they contribute to character education programs or extracurricular activities in public schools. Extracurricular activities such as sports, band, speech and debate or overnight field trips are generally not fully funded by school districts. These programs depend on fees from students.

The tax credit is available to all State of Arizona taxpayers, regardless of whether they have children in school.

You may donate less than \$200 and be eligible to receive the state tax credit in the amount of your donation. The amount you donate — up to \$200 (or \$400 per married couple) — will be the amount you may claim as a state tax credit. For example, if you donate \$50, your state tax credit would be \$50.

You may split your donation among more than one public school or more than one activity, but will still qualify for a maximum state tax credit of \$200 (or \$400 per married couple). Just send your check, along with the response card, to the school(s) of your choice. A receipt will be mailed to you by the school.

### School Tax Credits are nonrefundable.

### RESPONSE CARD

#### Please apply my donation of:

\$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(up to \$200 for single or head  
of household; up to \$400 per married couple)

to an extracurricular activity at this school

School \_\_\_\_\_

Name of student \_\_\_\_\_

#### NOTE: Make check payable to the school

I wish to designate this money for:

- general fees
- visual/performing arts
- other Girls Basketball
- any extracurricular activity

Name of donor \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address of donor \_\_\_\_\_

Email address of donor \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone # of donor \_\_\_\_\_  
Please return to front office (at elementary/middle schools),  
the bookstore (at high schools) or mail directly to the  
school. A receipt will be sent to you by the school.

Tax credit can be claimed on personal tax returns only.  
Contributions from businesses are welcome. Such  
contributions are deductible, but cannot be used to claim a  
tax credit.



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# Making a HHS Tax Credit Donation

1. Horizon.pyschools.net
2. Hover over families and choose bookstore

The screenshot shows the homepage of the Horizon.pyschools.net website. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for Home, About Us, Contact Us, and Log In. Below this, there is a main menu with categories: OUR SCHOOL, ACADEMICS, PROGRAMS, ACTIVITIES, FAMILIES, and COMMUNITY. The 'FAMILIES' category is underlined, indicating it is selected. Under the Families menu, there are links for Bus Routes, Lunch Menus, Family Involvement, Family/Student Handbook, and Resources. To the right of the menu, there is a large image of a smiling person's face.

3. Click on website in the middle of the page

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4. Once you get to the online payment portal, you will need to log in. I have found it easier to log in as my student.

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5. You will come to the logged in screen and click on the student for whom you are shopping

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6. Under shop, choose "item's at student's school!"

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7. In the categories, click the category you want, in this case we want "Tax Credit Donation Athletics"

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