

Summit School Tuition Resources

We understand that tuition can be a challenge for some families. These tuition resources are available to assist our current and newly enrolled families with affording tuition. Please visit our Summit Tuition Resource page on our website for additional information and forms, <https://summitschoolaz.org/tuition-resources/>. Please reach out to Sandra.Hand@summitschoolaz.org in the Summit Business office with any questions you may have regarding these resources.

Arizona Private School Tax Credit Program:

This state law allows Arizona taxpayers to choose where they want their state taxes to be applied, to the state or to a private school, or student attending a private school. Students may not use tax credits and ESA funds towards tuition in the same school year, however, families may collect and bank tax credits to be used in future years when not using ESA funds.

Individual Recommended Tax Credits -Families create an account with their preferred School Tuition Organization (STO.) such as the Institute For Better Education, IBE www.ibescholarships.org. Families then reach out to family and friends to collect recommended tax contributions on behalf of their student(s) attending a private school. The STO will send the processed contributions monthly to Summit to be applied towards the student's tuition. Unused Recommended Tax Credits will roll over for use in the next school year.

STO General Fund Tax Credits-Each STO collects their own tax credits and will make general fund awards based upon financial need of the student. If seeking these funds, check the financial need box on each STO application.

Corporate Tax Credits-These tax credits are available for income eligible students. Apply through a School Tuition Organization (STO) and meet the income levels stated. Check the financial need box on each STO application and providing the income information to allow the STO to determine eligibility.

Empowerment Scholarship Accounts (ESA): Arizona Department of Education

Universal ESA -Any student enrolled in K-12 private school may apply for and receive an ESA award for the school year by completing an application at <https://www.azed.gov/esa>. ESA Awards are disbursed in 4 equal payments to parent's Class Wallet account in July, October, January, and April. Parents may seek reimbursement for paid tuition from their Class Wallet account.

Traditional ESA -Student must meet specific ESA eligibility criteria. Please visit <https://www.azed.gov/esa/eligibility-requirements> for more information and the application.

Summit School Tuition Assistance:

School is committed to aiding K-8th grade students who have demonstrated financial need. We encourage families with need to apply. The Summit Tuition Assistance application and required financial documents may be completed online, through FACTS Grant and Aid application. Students may use this Tuition Assistance in addition to Tax Credits or ESA.

Quality First Preschool Scholarships:

Preschool parents who meet Quality First income level eligibility may apply for this preschool scholarship. Please contact Summit Director of Admissions, Kyle Allen, for more information.

Family Referral Credits:

Current families who refer a new student (non-sibling or current student) to Summit will earn a \$1,000 tuition credit per new student. This credit is unlimited! The credit is applied to the referring family's FACTS account after the new family has paid 2 months of tuition.