Oil & Gas Production Tax Credits
Florida Tax Credit Scholarship Program

Take the credit – and help underprivileged students attend a school that best meets their needs. Companies that partner with Step Up For Students can fund needs-based scholarships for Florida’s K-12 schoolchildren with dollar-for-dollar tax credits through the Florida Tax Credit (FTC) Scholarship Program. Up to 50% of a company’s liability is eligible. With K-12 scholarships worth around $7,000, your company’s tax liability can make a meaningful impact on the lives of Florida students.

RESERVE
Enrolling is easy - visit https://taxapps.floridarevenue.com/sfo/AllocationApplication.aspx and complete the Florida Department of Revenue (DOR) online application. You may apply once for the entire state fiscal year (July 1 – June 30) or as many times as you like during that year for a maximum of 50% of your projected annual (July - June) oil and gas production tax. It's important to remember that the approval process does not oblige you to remit the funds to the SFO – it is merely a way for the DOR to ensure that the annual maximum in tax credits is not oversubscribed.

REMIT
Once you have received your approval letter from the DOR, you can remit the lesser of 1) the amount approved or 2) up to 50% of each month’s tax directly to Step Up For Students. Payments can be made by check, wire or ACH transfer. Upon receipt of payment, Step Up will provide a Certificate of Contribution. Your final payment must be made no later than the last day of the state’s fiscal year – June 30.

REPORT
For Oil Production tax, SFO contributions should be reported on Line 28 (Credit for Contributions to Nonprofit Scholarship-Funding Organizations) of Form DR-145. For Gas and Sulfur Production tax, report contributions on Line 12a (Credit for Contributions to Nonprofit Scholarship-Funding Organizations) of Form DR-144. Please note that any state tax liability remaining after the credits are reserved should be paid as normal estimated tax payments to the Florida DOR. A copy of the Certificate of Contribution should also be attached to the return when it is filed.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
Credit Carry Forward: Earned, unused credits are automatically carried forward for up to 10 years. Credits earned in a taxable year prior to January 1, 2018, fall under the previous limit of five years.

Transferring Credits: Credits of the same tax type can be transferred between members of an affiliated group of corporations. Refer to: TIP 14ADM-03; Notice of Intent to Transfer Credits http://floridarevenue.com/Forms_library/current/dr116200.pdf.

Rescission: There is no penalty for rescinding credits that will not be utilized. A rescindment application can be completed at: https://taxapps.floridarevenue.com/sfo/RescindmentApplication.aspx.