# Florida Tax Credit Scholarship Program 

## June 2016 Quarterly Report

> This report contains private school and student statistics for the September 2015, November 2015, February 2016, and April 2016 payment periods of the $2015-2016$ school year. Percentages are rounded.
-- Next quarterly report will be available: September 2016

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## The Florida Tax Credit Scholarship Program

The Florida Tax Credit (FTC) Scholarship Program was established in 2001 to encourage private, voluntary contributions from corporate donors to non-profit scholarship funding organizations (SFOs) that award scholarships to children from low-income families. A corporation can receive a dollar-for-dollar tax credit up to $100 \%$ of its state income tax liability. The program has since been expanded to include credits against the insurance premium tax for contributions to eligible non-profit SFOs, credits against severance taxes on oil and gas production, self-accrued sales tax liabilities of direct pay permit holders, and alcoholic beverage taxes on beer, wine, and spirits. The maximum amount the state may award was $\$ 447$ million in credits for the 2015-2016 fiscal year. This program expands educational opportunities and school choice for children of families that have limited financial resources.

## Summary of the June 2016 FTC Quarterly Report

The June 2016 FTC Quarterly Report is also considered the annual report because it is based on the cumulative data submitted by the Scholarship Funding Organizations for students who participated in the FTC Scholarship Program at any point during the 2015-2016 school year.

Step Up For Students and AAA Scholarship Foundation were the two approved participating SFOs for the 2015-16 school year. The two SFOs awarded a total of approximately \$418.6 million in FTC scholarships to 78,664 students enrolled in 1,602 participating Florida private schools.

The 78,664 students in 2015-2016 is an increase of 8,714 students over the 2014-2015 student total of 69,950 as reported in the June 2015 FTC Quarterly Report. This represents an enrollment increase of $12.5 \%$. The 1,602 private schools participating in 2015-2016 represent an increase of $4.5 \%$ from the 1,533 private schools that participated during the 2014-2015 school year.

Some characteristics of the FTC student data include:

- Slightly more female students (51\%) participate in the FTC program than male students (49\%).
- Lower grade levels tend to have larger student enrollments. Students enrolled in Kindergarten through Grade 3 make up almost $48 \%$ of the scholarship recipients.
- The racial/ethnic breakdown reflects the diversity of students utilizing the FTC scholarship program, which includes:

African-American students (30\%)
Hispanic students (38\%)
White students (25\%)
Other students (7\%)

- The top five districts (Dade, Orange, Broward, Duval, and Hillsborough) had over 45,000 students ( $57 \%$ of total participants) receiving approximately $\$ 242$ million in FTC scholarships ( $58 \%$ of total funding).

FTC Student Participation and Funding by District

| DISTRICTID | DISTRICT NAME | STUDENTS | STU\% | TOTAL FUNDED | FUND\% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | ALACHUA | 539 | 0.69\% | 2,865,545 | 0.68\% |
| 2 | BAKER | 53 | 0.07\% | 277,069 | 0.07\% |
| 3 | BAY | 132 | 0.17\% | 669,358 | 0.16\% |
| 4 | BRADFORD | 205 | 0.26\% | 1,035,553 | 0.25\% |
| 5 | BREVARD | 1,994 | 2.53\% | 10,498,580 | 2.51\% |
| 6 | BROWARD | 7,065 | 8.98\% | 38,296,179 | 9.15\% |
| 8 | CHARLOTTE | 344 | 0.44\% | 1,826,559 | 0.44\% |
| 9 | CITRUS | 436 | 0.55\% | 2,309,710 | 0.55\% |
| 10 | CLAY | 468 | 0.59\% | 2,334,043 | 0.56\% |
| 11 | COLLIER | 399 | 0.51\% | 2,199,318 | 0.53\% |
| 12 | COLUMBIA | 318 | 0.40\% | 1,661,253 | 0.40\% |
| 13 | DADE | 20,923 | 26.60\% | 113,324,335 | 27.07\% |
| 14 | DESOTO | 87 | 0.11\% | 461,427 | 0.11\% |
| 15 | DIXIE | 52 | 0.07\% | 268,275 | 0.06\% |
| 16 | DUVAL | 5,714 | 7.26\% | 29,824,619 | 7.12\% |
| 17 | ESCAMBIA | 1,221 | 1.55\% | 6,364,350 | 1.52\% |
| 18 | FLAGLER | 359 | 0.46\% | 1,935,917 | 0.46\% |
| 19 | FRANKLIN | 34 | 0.04\% | 98,726 | 0.02\% |
| 20 | GADSDEN | 290 | 0.37\% | 1,536,425 | 0.37\% |
| 21 | GILCHRIST | 47 | 0.06\% | 247,476 | 0.06\% |
| 22 | GLADES | 26 | 0.03\% | 137,877 | 0.03\% |
| 23 | GULF | 31 | 0.04\% | 109,755 | 0.03\% |
| 24 | HAMILTON | 65 | 0.08\% | 312,718 | 0.07\% |
| 25 | HARDEE |  |  |  |  |
| 26 | HENDRY | 168 | 0.21\% | 861,756 | 0.21\% |
| 27 | HERNANDO | 670 | 0.85\% | 3,199,110 | 0.76\% |
| 28 | HIGHLANDS | 292 | 0.37\% | 1,504,580 | 0.36\% |
| 29 | HILLSBOROUGH | 3,560 | 4.53\% | 19,101,584 | 4.56\% |
| 30 | HOLMES | 22 | 0.03\% | 98,213 | 0.02\% |
| 31 | INDIAN RIVER | 231 | 0.29\% | 1,171,496 | 0.28\% |
| 32 | JACKSON | 84 | 0.11\% | 390,210 | 0.09\% |
| 33 | JEFFERSON | 70 | 0.09\% | 363,845 | 0.09\% |
| 34 | LAFAYETTE | 35 | 0.04\% | 193,946 | 0.05\% |
| 35 | LAKE | 1,178 | 1.50\% | 6,376,569 | 1.52\% |
| 36 | LEE | 940 | 1.19\% | 4,744,566 | 1.13\% |
| 37 | LEON | 482 | 0.61\% | 2,486,139 | 0.59\% |
| 38 | LEVY | 176 | 0.22\% | 968,855 | 0.23\% |
| 40 | MADISON | 13 | 0.02\% | 59,928 | 0.01\% |
| 41 | MANATEE | 629 | 0.80\% | 3,241,878 | 0.77\% |
| 42 | MARION | 1,605 | 2.04\% | 8,269,513 | 1.98\% |
| 43 | MARTIN | 278 | 0.35\% | 1,340,752 | 0.32\% |
| 44 | MONROE | 116 | 0.15\% | 627,427 | 0.15\% |
| 45 | NASSAU | 168 | 0.21\% | 872,921 | 0.21\% |
| 46 | OKALOOSA | 334 | 0.42\% | 1,571,011 | 0.38\% |
| 47 | OKEECHOBEE | 139 | 0.18\% | 734,080 | 0.18\% |
| 48 | ORANGE | 7,818 | 9.94\% | 41,862,979 | 10.00\% |
| 49 | OSCEOLA | 2,847 | 3.62\% | 15,220,528 | 3.64\% |
| 50 | PALM BEACH | 2,464 | 3.13\% | 13,525,194 | 3.23\% |
| 51 | PASCO | 1,103 | 1.40\% | 5,685,451 | 1.36\% |
| 52 | PINELLAS | 2,935 | 3.73\% | 15,654,337 | 3.74\% |
| 53 | POLK | 2,372 | 3.02\% | 12,386,795 | 2.96\% |
| 54 | PUTNAM | 275 | 0.35\% | 1,354,835 | 0.32\% |
| 55 | ST. JOHNS | 294 | 0.37\% | 1,473,800 | 0.35\% |
| 56 | ST. LUCIE | 1,297 | 1.65\% | 6,944,670 | 1.66\% |
| 57 | SANTA ROSA | 168 | 0.21\% | 836,988 | 0.20\% |
| 58 | SARASOTA | 596 | 0.76\% | 3,079,646 | 0.74\% |
| 59 | SEMINOLE | 1,040 | 1.32\% | 5,526,567 | 1.32\% |
| 60 | SUMTER | 91 | 0.12\% | 454,599 | 0.11\% |
| 61 | SUWANNEE | 270 | 0.34\% | 1,364,944 | 0.33\% |
| 62 | TAYLOR | 125 | 0.16\% | 663,518 | 0.16\% |
| 63 | UNION | 35 | 0.04\% | 166,314 | 0.04\% |
| 64 | VOLUSIA | 2,668 | 3.39\% | 14,337,503 | 3.42\% |
| 65 | WAKULLA | 95 | 0.12\% | 499,114 | 0.12\% |
| 66 | WALTON | 55 | 0.07\% | 286,310 | 0.07\% |
| 67 | WASHINGTON | 118 | 0.15\% | 578,008 | 0.14\% |
| TOTAL: | 65 | 78,664 | 100.00\% | 418,693,458 | 100.00\% |

Note: Blanks indicate less than 11 students per district and are not displayed but calculated in total in order to protect student confidentiality.

## Private Schools by District Serving FTC Students

| DISTRICT | DISTRICT NAME | SCHOOLS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | ALACHUA | 19 |
| 2 | BAKER | 2 |
| 3 | BAY | 6 |
| 4 | BRADFORD | 5 |
| 5 | BREVARD | 51 |
| 6 | BROWARD | 140 |
| 8 | CHARLOTTE | 9 |
| 9 | CITRUS | 6 |
| 10 | CLAY | 17 |
| 11 | COLLIER | 13 |
| 12 | COLUMBIA | 11 |
| 13 | DADE | 387 |
| 14 | DESOTO | 1 |
| 15 | DIXIE | 2 |
| 16 | DUVAL | 113 |
| 17 | ESCAMBIA | 21 |
| 18 | FLAGLER | 3 |
| 19 | FRANKLIN | 1 |
| 20 | GADSDEN | 4 |
| 21 | GILCHRIST | 2 |
| 22 | GLADES | 1 |
| 23 | GULF | 2 |
| 24 | HAMILTON | 3 |
| 25 | HARDEE | 1 |
| 26 | HENDRY | 4 |
| 27 | HERNANDO | 13 |
| 28 | HIGHLANDS | 8 |
| 29 | HILLSBOROUGH | 76 |
| 31 | INDIAN RIVER | 9 |
| 32 | JACKSON | 2 |
| 33 | JEFFERSON | 3 |
| 34 | LAFAYETTE | 1 |
| 35 | LAKE | 21 |
| 36 | LEE | 30 |
| 37 | LEON | 19 |
| 38 | LEVY | 3 |
| 40 | MADISON | 1 |
| 41 | MANATEE | 19 |
| 42 | MARION | 29 |
| 43 | MARTIN | 5 |
| 44 | MONROE | 2 |
| 45 | NASSAU | 6 |
| 46 | OKALOOSA | 8 |
| 47 | OKEECHOBEE | 4 |
| 48 | ORANGE | 127 |
| 49 | OSCEOLA | 35 |
| 50 | PALM BEACH | 51 |
| 51 | PASCO | 29 |
| 52 | PINELLAS | 75 |
| 53 | POLK | 46 |
| 54 | PUTNAM | 4 |
| 55 | ST. JOHNS | 11 |
| 56 | ST. LUCIE | 17 |
| 57 | SANTA ROSA | 5 |
| 58 | SARASOTA | 24 |
| 59 | SEMINOLE | 36 |
| 60 | SUMTER | 1 |
| 61 | SUWANNEE | 3 |
| 62 | TAYLOR | 2 |
| 63 | UNION | 1 |
| 64 | VOLUSIA | 44 |
| 65 | WAKULLA | 3 |
| 66 | WALTON | 3 |
| 67 | WASHINGTON | 2 |
| OTAL: | 64 | 1,602 |



| GENDER | STUDENTS | PERCENTAGE |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Male | 38,417 | $48.8 \%$ |
| Female | 40,247 | $51.2 \%$ |
| Total: | $\mathbf{7 8 , 6 6 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |

FTC Student Enrollment by Grade Level

GRADE LEVEL
KG
1st
2nd
4th

STUDENTS
10,055
9,791
9,215
8,451
PERCENTAGE
12.8\%
12.4\%
11.7\%
10.7\%

7,515
6,596
9.6\%
8.4\%

6,206
7.9\%

5,486 7.0\%
$4,783 \quad 6.1 \%$
3,580 4.6\%
2,895 3.7\%
2,296 2.9\%
1,795 2.3\%
100.0\%

FTC Student Enrollment by Race/Ethnicity


RACE
White
African American
Hispanic
Others *
Not Reported

## Total:

STUDENTS
19,896
23,431
29,985
4,015
1,337
78,664
*Others" include students who are Asian, Native American and Multiracial.

FTC Student Enrollment by SFO


| SFO | STUDENTS | PERCENTAGE |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Step Up For Students | 78,213 | $99.4 \%$ |
| AAA Scholarship Foundation, LLC | 451 | $0.6 \%$ |
| Total: | $\mathbf{7 8 , 6 6 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |

## Private Schools Participating in FTC by Type



| SCHOOL TYPE | SCHOOLS |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| PERCENTAGE |  |  |
| Non-Religious | 494 | $30.8 \%$ |
| Religious | 1,108 | $69.2 \%$ |
| Total: | $\mathbf{1 , 6 0 2}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |

## FTC Student Enrollment by Type of Private School



| SCHOOL TYPE | STUDENTS | PERCENTAGE |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Non-Religious | 14,462 | $18.0 \%$ |
| Religious | 65,811 | $\mathbf{8 2 . 0 \%}$ |
| Total: | $\mathbf{8 0 , 2 7 3}$ * | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |

[^0] during the September 2015, November 2015, February 2016, and June 2016 reporting periods.


[^0]:    * Indicates that 1,609 students (duplicated) attended more than one school (Religious and Non-Religious)

