Every child deserves a chance to succeed. Some may need something special.

Step Up For Students is a nonprofit that helps administer the Florida Tax Credit Scholarship (FTC) and the Gardiner Scholarship. These scholarships empower families to customize their children’s education.

TWO scholarships for Florida schoolchildren

Florida Tax Credit Scholarship
INCOME-BASED

Lower-income families can choose between two K–12 scholarships for the 2017–18 school year:

A FOR PRIVATE SCHOOL TUITION AND FEES

- K-5: $6,343*
- 6-8: $6,631*
- 9-12: $6,920*

UP TO $750* for transportation to an out-of-district public school

*Amounts may increase for the 2018-19 school year

REQUIREMENTS

AGE ELIGIBILITY
on or before Sept.1

TOTAL GROSS MONTHLY INCOME LIMIT FOR FULL SCHOLARSHIPS
Add $697 for each additional member

# OF PEOPLE IN HOUSEHOLD

OR, IF A MEMBER OF THE HOUSEHOLD RECEIVES

TOTAL GROSS MONTHLY INCOME LIMIT FOR PARTIAL SCHOLARSHIPS
Dependent on availability. Lower-income families are served first.

SNAP (food stamps) OR TANF OR FDPIR

OR, IF A HOUSEHOLD’S INCOME QUALIFIES FOR FREE OR REDUCED-PRICE LUNCH

$2,707 $3,404 $4,100

To apply for a scholarship, visit www.StepUpForStudents.org

Gardiner Scholarship
SPECIAL NEEDS

Parents can customize the education of their PreK-12 children with certain special needs. Annual awards average $10,000 and can go toward a combination of approved options including, but not limited to:

- Special Needs
- Therapists
- Curriculum
- Technology
- College Savings Account
- Approved Post-Secondary Institution

REQUIREMENTS

AGE ELIGIBILITY
on or before Sept.1

STUDENTS NEED

Current Individual Education Plan from a school district OR

IEP

FORMAL DIAGNOSIS

- Anaphylaxis
- Autism Spectrum Disorder
- Cerebral Palsy
- Deaf
- Down syndrome
- Dual sensory impaired
- Hospital or homebound

- "High-risk" 3-, 4-, and 5-year olds
- Intellectual disability (severe cognitive impairment)
- Muscular Dystrophy
- Phelan-McDermid syndrome
- Prader-Willi syndrome
- Rare disease or condition
- Spina bifida
- Traumatic brain injury
- Visually impaired
- Williams syndrome

Until student graduates high school or turns 21.

Until student graduates high school, turns 22, or returns to public school.

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Children who are in foster or out-of-home care, or are dependents of a parent or guardian in the U.S. Armed Forces, may apply at any time, as long as funds are available.

FTC Questions? EMAIL: INFO@sufs.org
FTC Updates: TEXT “STEPUP” to 51555

StepUp4Students @StepUp4Students Scholarship Hotline: 877.735.7837

Gardiner Questions? EMAIL: gardiner@sufs.org
Gardiner Updates: TEXT “Gardiner” to 51555

Texting: Message and data rates may apply. Receive up to 1 msg/week. Text STOP to 51555 to stop. Text HELP to 51555 for help. Terms: www.StepUpForStudents.org/text

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