

Education Freedom Accounts

Frequently Asked Questions

All children deserve an education that best meets their needs.



We know that all children learn differently and that even the best school cannot meet the needs of every child. These accounts put parents in charge of the child's education so that every child can get them the education that best meets their needs.

Who is Eligible?

- Any resident child who is eligible to attend a NH public school (Includes children being home educated or in private schools)
- Annual household income is less than 300% of federal poverty guidelines (currently \$79,500 for family of 4)
- Once eligible, remain eligible

How do we get an Account?

- Parents complete an application with the scholarship organization
- Agrees to abide by program rules and regulations
- Agree to provide an education to the student with an education in core knowledge areas including math, reading, writing, science, government.
- Agree to use the account for only eligible expenses
- If a current public school student, parent withdraws the student

How much funding is placed in the account?

- State funds (not local tax funds) that would have gone to the public school district
- Funds vary based upon the student's eligibility (2022 amounts)
 - State basic adequacy grants (\$3,787)
 - State "differentiated" aid based upon student aid eligibility which is recalculated each year
 - Special needs (\$2,037)
 - Free & reduced lunch (\$1,893)
 - English language learner (\$741)
 - Third grade reading deficiency (\$741)
 - Average is approximately \$4,600 minus administration fees
- Funds roll over from year to year until leave program or graduate HS

What are the allowable expenses for payment from the accounts?

- Tuition at a private school or online courses
- Tuition at an out of district public school
- Tuition for individual classes at a public school
- Tutors
- Curriculum, textbooks and instructional materials
- Educational software
- Computer hardware or internet connectivity
- Tuition or fees at a technical school
- Transportation
- Therapies including behavioral, physical, occupational
- Fees for assessments, advanced placement exams, college prep courses, college entrance exams

What other accountability or parent requirements are there?

- Student annual achievement accountability – one of following:
 - National norm-referenced achievement test
 - Statewide student assessment test
 - Portfolio of work reviewed by teacher
- Termination of the account if the family moves out of NH or the student graduates from high school. Any unused funds are returned to state treasury
- Family personal deposits into the account are prohibited
- Parents may make payments for educational goods and services not covered by the program
- Home educated students leaving home education for an account requires parental notification of the district superintendent or department of education