

Parents Choose, Students Succeed

The *Education Freedom Scholarship Act* will empower Tennessee parents with the freedom to pick the right school for each child, while giving families a choice in where their taxpayer dollars are spent.



Nationwide School Choice Success

Parents Support

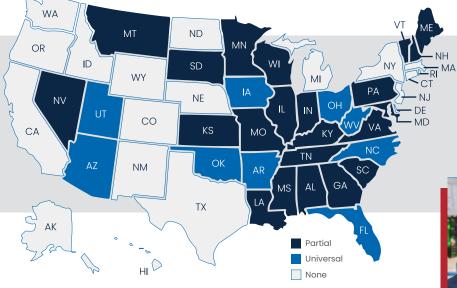
83% of parents favor¹ school choice policies, and parents are more satisfied² when they choose their child's school.

Students Achieve

Studies show³ rising test scores and better educational attainment and life outcomes with education freedom.

Schools Win

Public school scores, student achievement, and funding grow⁴ – school choice is a rising tide that lifts all boats.



Tennessee's Current School Choice Option

3,400+ families have applied for the program

2,400+ students enrolled in participating non-public schools

91% of parents are satisfied with the program

31 states offer school choice programs, including **9 states** that have adopted universal school choice



- 1. Edchoice.org, 2023
- 2. "A Review of the Research on Parent Satisfaction in Private School Choice Programs," Journal of School Choice, 2016
- 3. <u>The 123s of School Choice Edchoice.Org. 2023</u> 4. <u>Education Resources Information Center, 2023</u>

Education Freedom Scholarship Act Explained

The Education Freedom Scholarship Act will establish a statewide school choice program – available to all Tennessee families – over the next two years while prioritizing low-income students and students with disabilities.

2024-25 School Year

20,000 scholarships will be available to Tennessee students, including:

- 10,000 scholarships for students who are at or below
 300% of the federal poverty level, have a disability, or are
 eligible for the existing ESA pilot program
- 10,000 additional scholarships available to a universal pool of students entitled to attend a public school

2025-26 School Year & Beyond

Universal eligibility for all Tennessee students entitled to attend a public school, prioritizing currently enrolled students, low-income and public school students if demand exceeds available funding.



Key Takeaways: Education Freedom Scholarship Act

Every student has unique needs + every classroom offers unique value

Parents know best + can choose the right school for their child

Gives every Tennessee child a shot at success – regardless of zip code or income





Learn More & Hear from Tennesseans

For more information on the Education Freedom Scholarship and answers to frequently asked questions, please visit **tneducationfreedom.com**



Education has the power to change the trajectory of a child's life, and every Tennessee child deserves to attend the school that fits their unique needs – regardless of income or zip code.⁴

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