Education Options in Ohio for Your Child

Choosing the right school for a child is one of a parent’s most important jobs. Ohio’s education system recognizes that every child learns differently. There is no single school environment that works for all children. The best school solution fits the needs of the child.

Ohio gives your family choices in education by providing scholarships that allow you to select the best solution for your child.

GENERAL EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS

These scholarships support families who want to send their children to private schools. The scholarship amount is $4,250 for elementary and middle school students. The amount for high school students is $5,000 and $5,700 for students in Cleveland Municipal School District.

THE EDUCATIONAL CHOICE SCHOLARSHIP (EDCHOICE) is for students in Ohio’s designated underperforming public schools. More than 300 Ohio private schools participate in EdChoice.

INCOME-BASED SCHOLARSHIP (EDCHOICE EXPANSION) is for children in families with incomes at or below 200 percent of the federal poverty level. Scholarships are available to students in select grades. More than 300 Ohio private schools participate in the EdChoice Expansion Scholarship.

THE CLEVELAND SCHOLARSHIP AND TUTORING PROGRAM is for students in the Cleveland Municipal School District. More than 30 private schools participate in this scholarship program.

SPECIAL NEEDS SCHOLARSHIPS

These funds provide support services for students with identified learning needs. To be awarded a scholarship, your student must have a current IEP. The scholarship is annual, and families can receive up to $20,000. More than 200 schools and private service providers, such as therapists and agencies, accept these scholarships.

JON PETERSON SPECIAL NEEDS SCHOLARSHIP is available for any student in kindergarten through grade 12.

OHIO’S AUTISM SCHOLARSHIP is available for students ages 3 to 22 whose school has identified them as a child with autism.