Louisiana's Tuition Donation Tax Credit (TDC)

Frequently Asked Questions



Who is ACE Scholarships?

ACE offers partial tuition scholarships to K-12 students from low-income families so they may attend the private school of their choice. To qualify for an ACE scholarship, a family must meet the income requirements for the National School Lunch Program.

What does the Louisiana Tuition Donation Credit (TDC) Program allow?

The program offers a state income tax credit to individual taxpayers or corporations that donate to ACE Scholarships, a certified School Tuition Organization (STO).

How can I donate?

To submit a pledge form, simply complete and return <u>this form</u> to Tina Burke, <u>tburke@acescholarships.org</u> or you may mail a check to:

ACE Scholarships Louisiana, LLC 1201 East Colfax Avenue, Suite 302 Denver, CO 80218

When can I donate?

Donations are accepted throughout the year. ACE requests that at least 50% of a pledged donation is paid before August 15th, and the remaining balance may be paid at any time prior to the end of the calendar year.

What happens when I make a donation to ACE Scholarships?

ACE Scholarships Louisiana, LLC will automatically allocate 95% of each taxpayer's contributions to fund qualifying student scholarships. As a result, an eligible taxpayer who gives a scholarship donation to ACE Scholarships Louisiana can claim a 95% credit. Based on current interpretations, the tax credit is earned the year in which the donation is made.

How do I claim my credit?

The taxpayer must be required to file a Louisiana tax return in order to claim the credit. ACE Scholarships will provide a tax receipt to be filed with returns.

Do corporate donations count towards the TDC Program?

Yes, any company or individual that pays Louisiana income tax may receive a 95% tax credit for donations to ACE Scholarships.

Can I carry the tax credit forward if I donate more than my Louisiana state income tax liability this year?

Credits are nonrefundable, but any credit earned in excess of annual tax liability can be carried forward for up to three (3) tax years.

Can I also earn a charitable federal tax deduction on this donation?

The full donation amount may be eligible for a charitable federal tax deduction.

Who can I contact for more information?

Please contact Arthur Dupré, ACE Louisiana Director at adupre@acescholarships.org for more information on Louisiana's TDC program or how to make a donation.