



Annual Luncheon

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At ACE Scholarships, we believe something powerful:

Changing
education
changes
everything.

The challenges facing our country can feel overwhelming. But at ACE Scholarships, we believe the path forward starts with one powerful solution: **education**.

ACE Scholarships is a nonprofit organization that provides partial tuition scholarships to low-income families, empowering them to choose the school that's right for their child.

For 25 years, we've seen how **school choice transforms lives**—giving families hope, students opportunity, and communities strength.

Changing Education Changes Everything. It's not just a message—it's a movement backed by real impact.

We invite you to explore the full study and see how **we've proven that school choice works**—and why it must be a priority for the future of our country.

Let's work together to change education—and change everything.



Welcome to the 25th Anniversary Luncheon of ACE Scholarships!



This is a special moment in ACE's history—25 years of championing the belief that every child deserves access to a quality education, regardless of their zip code or income.

Since 2000, ACE has awarded over 100,000 scholarships worth more than \$330 million, expanded school choice policy, and administered education savings accounts—all to change lives through education. But our impact goes far beyond the numbers. We've seen real students and families break generational cycles of poverty, thriving because someone gave them the chance to choose a better educational path.

I first joined ACE in 2002. It was ACE founder Alex Cranberg who showed me that by changing a child's education, we could change their future—and even prevent the challenges our nation is seeing today. That idea became the heart of our mission.

Today, the movement is accelerating. States are passing bold school choice legislation. At the federal level, initiatives like the Educational Choice for Children Act could finally bring national support for educational freedom.

The need is urgent. NAEP scores from January 2025 show just 31% of 4th graders are proficient in reading, and only 28% of 8th graders in math. As a nation, we must do things differently if we want different results. At ACE, we're seeing what's possible when families are given the power to choose the best education for their children.

Of course, none of this would be possible without the bold vision of our founders and the continued support of our donors. I can't wait to see what we accomplish together in the next quarter century. **Because changing education changes everything.**

With gratitude,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Norton Rainey". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "N" and "R".

Norton Rainey
CEO, ACE Scholarships

VISION

That every child has equal access to a quality education.

MISSION

Our mission is to advance K-12 educational freedom, with a focus on securing financial support for families so they may access the quality education of their choice.

OUR STORY

ACE Scholarships was founded in 2000 by Alex Cranberg, Charlie Gallagher, Ralph Nagel, John Saeman, the late Ed McVaney and the late John Walton, to provide low-income parents with the freedom to choose the K-12 schools that are best for their children.

The founders' vision was powerful but simple: that all children have access to great schools. The founders' commitment to launch ACE was formed through many years of frustration with a lack of reform within the public school system and unsuccessful legislative efforts to provide publicly funded vouchers to families for private school.

They were also keenly aware that low-income students lagged far behind students of other incomes and that overall, American students continued to fall further behind students in other countries.



From left to right: the late Ed McVaney, Ralph Nagel, Alex Cranberg, Charlie Gallagher and John Seaman (not pictured the late John Walton)

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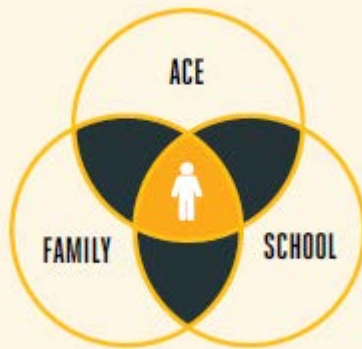
Our Three Pillars

For 25 years, ACE Scholarships has been a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting and providing educational freedom. Our vision has remained consistent, but our mission has grown as we embrace opportunities to exponentially expand our impact by

supporting nationwide educational freedom. In addition to privately-funded/tax-credit scholarships and policy advocacy that have been the bedrock of our success, ACE now also manages publicly funded Education Savings Accounts (ESAs).

The ACE Model

This formula has proven successful in increasing parental participation and student achievement.



Everyone has skin in the game.

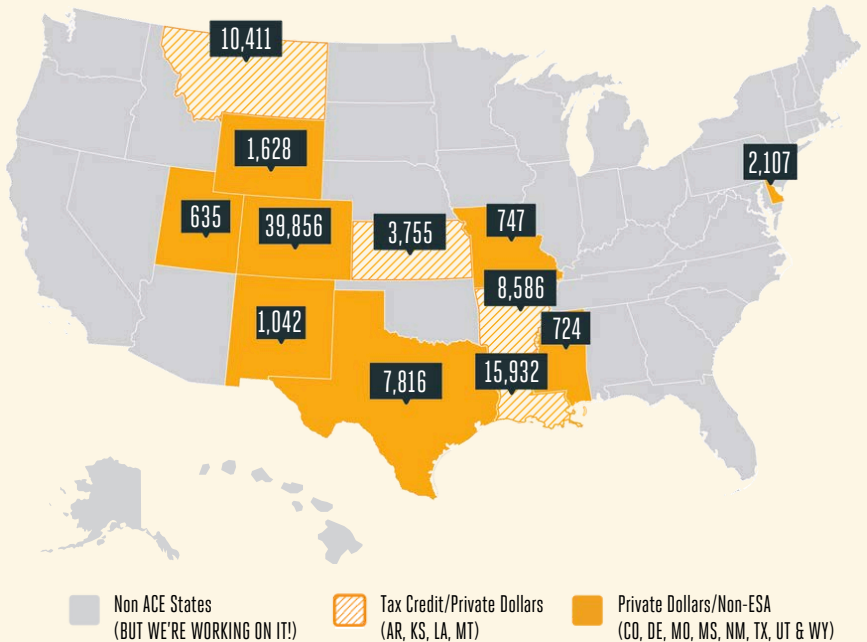
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Who We Are - 25 Years of Impact

100,000⁺ Scholarships
Delivered

12 States

\$330,000,000⁺ Dollars in Total
Scholarships
Delivered



Year Founded

COLORADO, 2000 • MONTANA, 2012 • LOUISIANA, 2014 • KANSAS, 2016
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hands clasped together in a supportive gesture with overlaid text reading “Strong community makes for stronger individuals,” followed by a message thanking organizations for making a difference, and UMB Bank branding with website “UMB.com” and “Member FDIC” noted.

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Aerial view of an oil drilling site surrounded by forest with equipment and storage units, featuring the Aspect logo, a QR code, and text reading “Fueling the Future with Innovation” and “A Legacy of Energy Excellence,” along with a description of Aspect Energy’s global operations and expertise.



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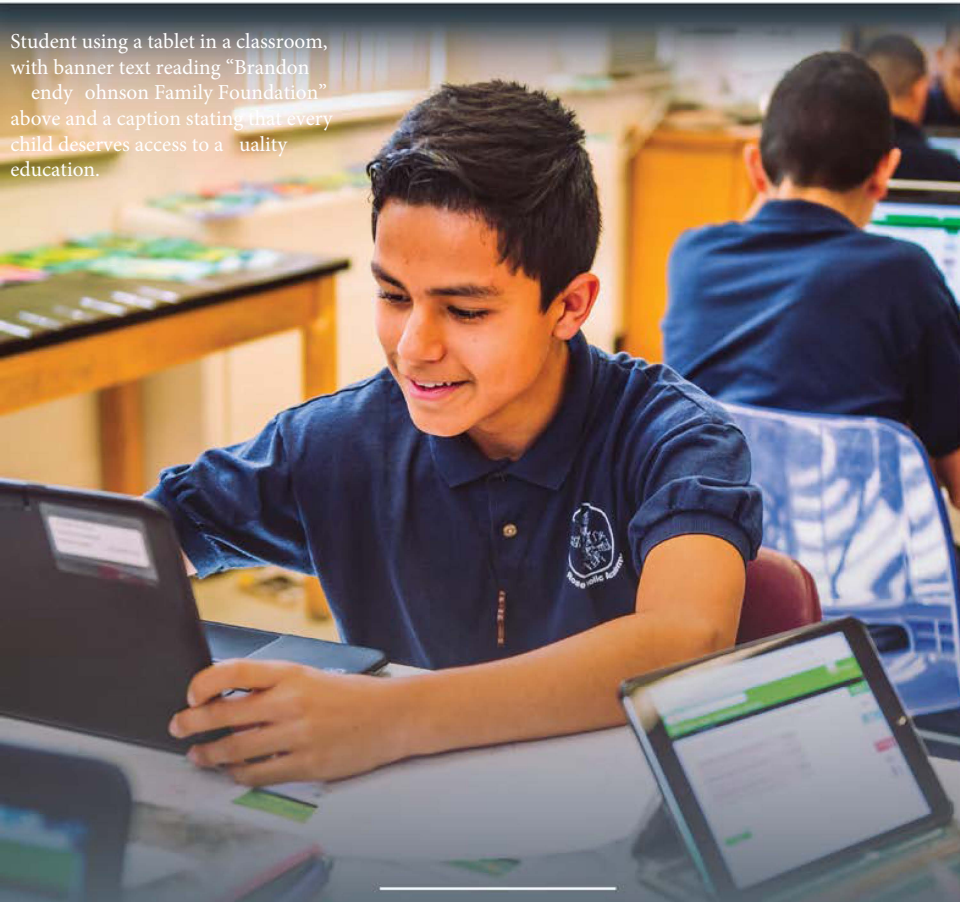
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Student using a tablet in a classroom,
with banner text reading “Brandon
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above and a caption stating that every
child deserves access to a quality
education.



*The Johnson Family believes every child deserves
access to a quality education.*

Purple graphic with
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website link at the bottom.



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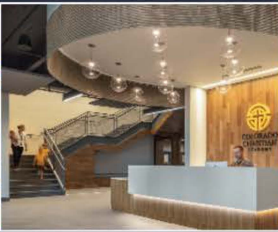
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The Daniels Fund is proud to support ACE Scholarships in advancing opportunity by providing underserved families access to a high-quality private education for their children.

Three students sitting at a table in a classroom with bookshelves in the background, with text stating that The Daniels Fund supports ACE Scholarships to expand access to high-quality private education, and a “25 Years of Impact” logo with website information.



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Student writing on paper at a desk with overlaid text reading "Igniting positive change, together," and a note that Liberty Energy sponsors the 2025 ACE Scholarships Annual Luncheon, with Liberty logo and website at the bottom.

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Poster showing children walking down a school hallway with backpacks and thought bubbles above them listing career dreams, with text stating "Everyone has dreams" and explaining ACE Scholarships helps students achieve their goals.

Supporting kids' big dreams – and even bigger futures – ACE Scholarships helps them move forward and start their journey today.

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A photograph of two men in business attire standing side-by-side. The man on the left is wearing a blue plaid blazer over a white shirt with a colorful patterned collar. The man on the right is wearing a dark blue blazer over a white shirt. Both are smiling. The background is a bright, out-of-focus indoor setting.

Two people in business attire standing side by side with the Anthology Capital Solutions logo and the tagline "Create Stories for life" displayed below.

The logo consists of three slanted parallel lines of varying lengths, creating a stylized 'A' shape.

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Poster with a dark blue background featuring the Bailey Stanford Family Foundation logo at the top and text stating support for providing education to underserved children and ACE Scholarships in Colorado, signed “ Leslie Stanford Bailey.”



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Banner with dark blue background and white text reading “Bartlit Beck LLP” and “We proudly support ACE Scholarships and applaud its vision of every child having access to a quality education,” with website listed at the bottom.

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Modern office hallway with curved ceiling light fixtures and hanging strands, leading to an open space where a person is walking in the distance, with text reading "BOOTS Construction," "Building Relationships," and a website and phone number at the bottom.



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Horses running in a green valley beneath a wooden "C Lazy U Ranch" sign with mountains in the background, with text promoting the ranch and its support of ACE Scholarships, plus website and contact details at the bottom.



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**IN THEIR LIFE CHANGING WORK
FOR KIDS NATIONWIDE.**

Banner-style graphic with blue overlay showing a student raising a hand in a classroom, with text reading "Proud to partner with ACE Scholarships in their life-changing work for kids nationwide," and Dormie Capital Partners logo and website at the bottom.



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Three children gathered around a laptop at a table in a classroom, with the IMA logo in the top left and text stating support for ACE Scholarships and advancing opportunities for youth in Colorado communities.

IMA is proud to support ACE Scholarships
and the shared pursuit to help advance
youth in Colorado Communities

Choice is good. Choose Schaeffer's. Choose ACE!

Banner with red header text reading "Choice is good. Choose Schaeffer's. Choose ACE!" above the Schaeffer's Specialized Lubricants logo, tagline "Changing Oil Since 1839," and the names "Meg and Jamie Duke."



CHANGING OIL SINCE 1839.

Meg and Jamie Duke

Banner with red header text reading "Choice is good. Choose Schaeffer's. Choose ACE!" above the Schaeffer's Specialized Lubricants logo, tagline "Changing Oil Since 1839," and the names "Meg and Jamie Duke."



Collage of students in classroom, group, and graduation settings with overlaid text reading “We’re in this together.” followed by a statement that NSA Storage supports ACE Scholarships, with NSA logo and website at the bottom.

WE’RE IN THIS TOGETHER

NSA STORAGE IS A PROUD SUPPORTER OF ACE SCHOLARSHIPS.



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**CHAMPIONING EDUCATION FOR ALL:
EVERY CHILD DESERVES A FUTURE
TRADE SCHOOLS ARE A CHOICE!**



Banner featuring "Shames Construction" with contact information for California and Colorado offices, and text reading "Shames is proud to support ACE Scholarships" and "Championing education for all: every child deserves a future trade schools are a choice, above images of students and workers in skilled trades."

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Modern kitchen interior with a large island, bar stools, and pendant lights, accompanied by text reading “100 Years of Innovation. 100 Years of Trust,” a description of Pella’s history and products, and a note celebrating ACE Scholarships’ 25 years, with the Pella logo and website displayed.

100 Years of **Innovation**. 100 Years of **Trust**.

For a century, Pella has been redefining beauty, performance, and innovation in homes and businesses. Built on craftsmanship and industry-leading design, our legacy stands the test of time.

A Century Strong. A Future Bright.

From energy efficiency to cutting-edge style, Pella continues to set new standards and help homeowners bring their visions to life.

As we celebrate 100 years, we remain dedicated to what matters most: **you**. Thank you for being part of our journey—**here’s to the next 100 years!**



www.pella.com

Celebrating Milestones, Shaping Futures –Congratulations to ACE Scholarships for 25 Years of Empowering Students.



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Golf course and clubhouse at Ravenna Country Club with mountain and city

views, accompanied by smaller images of the course and a dining scene, and text reading "Your Best Life Starts Here" with membership details and contact information.



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CCIG

Poster-style graphic with a blurred classroom background showing a student raising a hand, featuring the CCIG logo and text reading “We’re the curious Insurance Group,” along with a description of supporting businesses and communities and the website thinkCCIG.com.

We’re the

curious

Insurance Group

At CCIG, curiosity fuels everything we do—from helping businesses control risk to supporting the next generation of leaders.

Learn more about how CCIG supports businesses and communities at thinkCCIG.com.

Headquartered in Colorado



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**JOHN PAUL
THE GREAT**
CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Poster for Saint John Paul the Great Catholic High School featuring the school logo and a classroom scene, with text reading: “JPG Students are Formed to be American Catholics,” a QR code with invitation to a speaker series, a quote from a history teacher, and enrollment details for grades 9-12 with website information.



JPG Students are Formed to be **American Catholics**



You're Invited

Join us for our Veritas Speaker Series with Senator Hank Brown!



Ali Pries

History Teacher at JPG

“At JPG, we want our students to understand the beautiful legacy they have being a Catholic, but also what it means to be an American. **Our students have the ability to stand on the shoulders of the giants who have created our country.** We want them to know what that legacy is, and then be able to apply their Catholic faith to their lives as Americans.”



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Graphic with a landscape background and Alpha Principle logo, text thanking supporters of ACE and quality education in America with website link, above the Ascent Real Estate Partners logo, tagline, and website.



Graphic split into two sections: top shows students working on electronics with text reading “We go above. So you can go beyond.” and BOK Financial logo; bottom features G&S Capital logo with text stating “Proud supporter of ACE Scholarships since 2013,” colorful pencils, a QR code, and contact information.

We go above. So you can go beyond.

Our commitment to giving back is core to our company and our employees. We're proud to support organizations going beyond in their efforts on behalf of our community.



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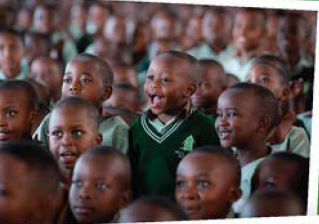


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Contact Susan Hollern for more information
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Information sheet featuring Hope Haven Rwanda with photos of students and campus scenes, text describing its growth and mission to educate students, contact details and website, alongside a section for Impact Capital Partners with logo, firm description, website, and QR code.



FOUNDATION™



The RK Foundation allocates grant funding to local nonprofits and causes that align with our focus areas, which include: community development, education and health.

For over ten years, the RK Foundation has supported ACE SCHOLARSHIPS and their vision that every child have equal access to a quality education.

rk-foundation.org

Poster combining two sections: top features RK Foundation branding with a black-and-white image of children raising hands and text describing grant support for education and ACE Scholarships, alongside a website link; bottom shows a classroom scene with a teacher interacting with students, a Royal Gold Inc. logo, and text celebrating 25 years of educational excellence.

 ROYAL GOLD, INC.

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Poster with Saunders Construction branding reading “Congratulations ACE Scholarships —25 Years,” featuring a classroom background and a quote expressing support for investing in students and school choice.

**CONGRATULATIONS
ACE SCHOLARSHIPS!**



25
YEARS
25

SAUNDERS CONSTRUCTION IS PROUD TO SUPPORT ACE IN THEIR MISSION TO CREATE EDUCATIONAL FREEDOM FOR ALL

“Happy and proud to help support investing in kids and promoting school choice through ACE.”

- Michelle and Kevin Mize

Changing education changes everything.



Yellow ACE
Scholarships
graphic reading
"Changing
education changes
everything,"
featuring a smiling
child in a
graduation cap
giving a thumbs-
up, with a thank-
you message and
website link.

Thank you for your continued support.



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