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## PA TAX CREDIT PROGRAMS (EITC AND OSTC)

### What is the Educational Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) Program?

Tax credits to eligible businesses who decide to contribute to Scholarship Organizations. These funds are distributed in the form of scholarships to income-qualifying students.

### What is the Opportunity Scholarship Tax Credit (OSTC) Program?

Tax credits to eligible businesses who make contributions to approved Opportunity Scholarship organizations. These funds are distributed in the form of scholarships to income-qualifying students living in the boundary of schools that perform in the lowest 15%.

### Which approved Scholarship Organizations handle EITC and OSTC funds for The City School?

Children's Jubilee Fund  
Drew Skinner  
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P: (215) 233-9866 | [information@jubileefund.org](mailto:information@jubileefund.org)

The Mennonite Foundation—An Affiliate of Everence  
Nicole M. Shingle, Charitable Services Rep  
960 East Main Street, Mount Joy, PA 17552  
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### Who is eligible to participate?

Any business authorized to do business in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and who pays any of the following taxes\*

- Personal Income Tax of S-Corp Shareholders or Partnership Partners
- Corporate Net Income Tax
- Capital Stock/Foreign Franchise Tax
- Bank Shares Tax
- Title Insurance & Trust Company Shares Tax
- Insurance Premiums Tax (excluding surplus lines, unauthorized, domestic/foreign marine)
- Mutual Thrift Tax
- Malt Beverage Tax
- Retaliatory Fees under Section 212 of the Insurance Company Law of 1912

*\*Such business firms include pass-through entities and special purpose pass-through entities.*

### How much of a tax credit is my business eligible to receive?

Businesses who commit to giving for 2 years are eligible to receive 90% of their contribution in tax credits. Businesses who commit to 1 year are eligible to receive 75% of their contribution in tax credits. Tax credits awarded up to a maximum of \$750,000 per year per program for a total of \$1,500,000.

### What application dates are important?

- Returning businesses (renewal of 1 or 2 year commitment): May 15 to June 30
- New businesses: July 1 (first-come, first-serve)

### Where do I go for more information?

The Department of Community & Economic Development (DCED)  
The Opportunity Scholarship (or Educational Improvement) Tax Credit Program  
Center for Business Financing—Tax Credit Division  
400 North Street, 4th Floor  
Commonwealth Keystone Building  
Harrisburg, PA 17120-0225  
P: (717) 787-7120 | F: (717) 772-3581 | [ra-eitc@pa.gov](mailto:ra-eitc@pa.gov)  
[www.newpa.com](http://www.newpa.com) (type OSTC or EITC in search box)

## FIVE EASY STEPS

1. Confirm with your accountant that your business is eligible.
2. Contact Krista Wieder, Strategic Advisor at The City School at [kwieder@cityschool.org](mailto:kwieder@cityschool.org) or (215) 300-0620 for more detailed information.
3. Applications must be submitted online using the DCED's Single Application for assistance at [www.esa.dced.state.pa.us](http://www.esa.dced.state.pa.us).
4. Once approved, your business has 60 days to submit your contribution to the Scholarship Organization, designating The City School as your recipient.
5. Within 90 days of approval, you must submit proof of contribution to DCED (copy of receipt letter from the Scholarship Organization).

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