

Catholic Education: Action Alert

Attention parents, parishioners, and Catholic school supporters!

Lawmakers are currently weighing proposals to the biennial state budget to dramatically **increase the availability of school choice** scholarships such as **EdChoice**, which currently provides eligible pupils up to \$5,500 in tuition for grades K-8 and \$7,500 for grades 9-12.



Recently, the Ohio House proposed **increasing eligibility** for EdChoice scholarships to a maximum annual household income up to **450% times** the federal poverty level. The Ohio Senate also is considering multiple proposals, including one to **make EdChoice scholarships universally available to every student**.

So...how can you help?

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STEP 1 - ADVOCATE FOR SCHOOL CHOICE

Contact your elected officials to let them know you support these initiatives! Use [this link](#) or the QR code on the right to **submit your support in less than 10 seconds**.



EdChoice Eligibility Guidelines

250% Current Guidelines		450% Proposed Budget	
Household Size	Annual Income	Household Size	Annual Income
2	\$49,300	2	\$88,740
3	\$62,150	3	\$111,870
4	\$75,000	4	\$135,000
5	\$87,850	5	\$158,130
6	\$100,700	6	\$181,260

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STEP 2 - STAY ALERT

Lawmakers are working urgently to meet the **June 30 budget deadline**. Whatever the final policies, we hope to see more Ohioans eligible for state scholarships.

Use the chart to the left to review **your own eligibility** and see if you would qualify under the expanded guidelines of 450%.

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STEP 3 - SPREAD THE GOOD NEWS

Forward this information along and **encourage others** to raise their voice for school choice!

"Advocacy is not just the responsibility of parents and teachers...the entire Catholic community should be encouraged to advocate for parental school choice."

- United States Conference
of Catholic Bishops