

# CORNERSTONE EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP

## ADMINISTERED BY ACE SCHOLARSHIPS



## WHO WE ARE

**Cornerstone Education Scholarship is a program funded in part by Mountaire and administered by ACE Scholarships.** ACE Scholarships was founded in 2000 to provide children from low-income families with equal access to quality schools. Over the course of our 22 years across the nation, ACE families have accepted more than 66,000 scholarships totaling \$170 million. ACE has established partnerships with over 900 schools in 11 states.

## WHAT WE DO

The Cornerstone Education Scholarship is available for Pre-K through 12th grade students at 22 partner schools in Delmarva so families may have more choice in their educational options. The scholarship follows the child from Pre-K through 12th grade.

### Does my child qualify for a scholarship?

Scholarships are based solely on family income. See the chart for financial eligibility.

\*The numbers to the right represent 2022 guidelines and will be adjusted when the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services releases new Federal Poverty Guidelines in 2023.

HOUSEHOLD SIZE	POVERTY GUIDELINE	130%	185%	250%
2	\$18,310	\$23,803	\$33,873	\$45,775
3	\$23,030	\$29,939	\$42,605	\$57,575
4	\$27,750	\$36,075	\$51,337	\$69,375
5	\$32,470	\$42,211	\$60,069	\$81,175
6	\$37,190	\$48,347	\$68,801	\$92,975
7	\$41,910	\$54,483	\$77,533	\$104,775
8	\$46,630	\$60,619	\$86,265	\$116,575

### Who pays what?

A Cornerstone Education Scholarship will pay up to 75% of private school tuition, or a maximum of \$3,000, \$4,000, or \$5,000 depending on where the family falls within the Poverty Guidelines (see chart). Families are responsible for working out a payment plan with the school for the remainder of the tuition. Scholarships will be capped at 35% of school enrollment.

#### Family Income Level

130% of Federal Poverty Guidelines  
= \$5,000 award maximum

185% of Federal Poverty Guidelines  
= \$4,000 award maximum

250% of Federal Poverty Guidelines  
= \$3,000 award maximum

### Which schools participate?

Please see a list of the 22 current partner schools on page three. Each of the schools has its own admission requirements, and awarding of the scholarship does not guarantee school acceptance.

### The Cornerstone Education Scholarship can follow your child.

If your child(ren) are awarded a scholarship, those funds are portable during the school year and may be used at any partner school. So if the school you select ends up not being the right fit, you can transfer your child(ren) to another partner school, and the scholarships go with them.

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## How to Apply, Application Process, and Timeline

The application for a Cornerstone Education Scholarship is completed online, on a website called FACTS.

**The application will first be available for interested families to apply on Monday, February 6th, 2023 and remain open until tax day, Tuesday, April 18th, 2023.**

All applicants, whether returning or new, will need to complete the application in full, attach their 2022 1040 tax records, and/or any other required documentation in order to verify income.

\*Applications are accepted via the FACTS application only. Paper copies, etc are not considered.

\*All applications must be complete and submitted by 11:59 PM Eastern time on Tuesday, April 18th, 2023. If there are funds still available, the application will re-open in August-September for any families who missed the initial application window. The application window(s) is the only time in which requests for students to receive a Cornerstone Educational Scholarship will be accepted and considered.

Please scan the QR code or visit <https://online.factsmgt.com/grant-aid/inst/4PLQG/landing-page> to find the application!



**For any questions on the process, please call us!** Call (856) 746-6561 and we will be happy to answer any questions and help navigate you through the process.



### Who sponsors this program?

The Cornerstone Education Scholarship is partially funded by Mountaire and is open to other donors interested in contributing.

### For families new to the scholarship opportunity:

1. If you're uncertain, but think you may qualify, please go ahead and apply! Confirm that you qualify for a scholarship based on the financial guidelines listed in the chart on the previous page.
2. Identify the right ACE partner school for your child.
3. Complete the school's application and enrollment process for your child. If the school you are applying to uses FACTS for its school application, you are able to also select that you are applying for a Cornerstone Education Scholarship on your school application. If the school you are applying to does not use FACTS for its school application, you will need to create a FACTS log in and start a new application.
4. Ensure that your application is complete, including supporting documents, and submit! All applicants will be notified whether awarded or not via emails from FACTS in June.

### For families already receiving the scholarship:

1. Complete the school's application and re-enrollment process for your child. If the school you are applying to also uses FACTS for its school application, you are able to select that you are applying for a Cornerstone Education Scholarship on your school application. If the school you are applying to does not use FACTS for its school application, you will need to create a FACTS log in and start a new application.
2. Ensure that your application is complete, including supporting documents, and submit! All applicants will be notified whether awarded or not via emails from FACTS in June.

\*It is imperative that the application is submitted and complete in order for your child to remain on scholarship.

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## CURRENT PARTNER SCHOOLS

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### **Bayview Christian School**

Laurel, DE  
[bayviewchristianschool.com](http://bayviewchristianschool.com)

### **Calvary Christian Academy**

Dover, DE  
[wearecca.com](http://wearecca.com)

### **Central Delaware Christian Academy**

Dover, DE  
[cdcacademy.org](http://cdcacademy.org)

### **Chestertown Christian Academy**

Chestertown, MD  
[chestertownchristian.org](http://chestertownchristian.org)

### **Concord Christian Academy**

Wilmington, DE  
[concordchristian.com](http://concordchristian.com)

### **Delaware Valley Classical**

New Castle, DE  
[delawarevalleyclassicalschool.org](http://delawarevalleyclassicalschool.org)

### **Delmarva Christian Schools**

Georgetown, DE (9th – 12th)  
Milton, DE (PreK – 8th)  
[delmarvachristian.org](http://delmarvachristian.org)

### **Epworth Christian School**

Laurel, DE  
[epworthcs.com](http://epworthcs.com)

### **Fairwinds Christian School**

Bear, DE  
[fairwindschristianschool.com](http://fairwindschristianschool.com)

### **Faith Baptist School**

Salisbury, MD  
[faithbaptistschoolsalisbury.com](http://faithbaptistschoolsalisbury.com)

### **Faith Christian School**

Sudlersville, MD  
[facebook.com/FaithChristianSchoolofSudlersville](https://facebook.com/FaithChristianSchoolofSudlersville)

### **Greenwood Mennonite School**

Greenwood, DE  
[gms-flames.org](http://gms-flames.org)

### **Harvest Christian Academy**

New Castle, DE  
[hcade.org](http://hcade.org)

### **Lighthouse Christian School**

Dagsboro, DE  
[lighthousechristianschool.com](http://lighthousechristianschool.com)

### **Milford Christian School**

Milford, DE  
[fbcmcs.org/our-school.html](http://fbcmcs.org/our-school.html)

### **Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School**

Berlin, MD  
[mostblessedsacramentschool.com](http://mostblessedsacramentschool.com)

### **Red Lion Christian Academy**

Bear, DE  
[reachschools.online/our-schools/red-lion-christian-academy](http://reachschools.online/our-schools/red-lion-christian-academy)

### **Salisbury Christian School**

Salisbury, MD  
[salisburychristian.org](http://salisburychristian.org)

### **Seaside Christian Academy**

Ocean City, MD  
[seasidechristianacademy.com](http://seasidechristianacademy.com)

### **St. Francis de Sales Catholic School**

Salisbury, MD  
[stfrancisdesales.net](http://stfrancisdesales.net)

### **Urban Promise**

School (PreK – 7th)  
Academy (8th – 12th)  
[urbanpromise.org](http://urbanpromise.org)

### **Wilmington Christian School**

Hockessin, DE  
[wilmingtonchristian.org](http://wilmingtonchristian.org)