Montana Educational Tax Credit Scholarship Program

Mount Ellis Academy participates in Montana's Student Scholarship Organization (SSO) program, which provides scholarships to eligible students through Montana's Educational Tax Credit Program.

Scholarships from this student scholarship organization may be used at any qualified education provider of the parent's or legal guardian's choice. (15-30-3103, MCA)

To learn more about qualified education providers or to view the state's list, visit the Montana Department of Revenue Education Donations Portal.

Eligibility

Applicants must meet Montana's statutory eligibility requirements, including Montana residency and applicable age requirements. Scholarship awards are based on the program's financial eligibility criteria.

Families with an adjusted gross income (AGI) of $300,000 or less may apply, subject to the program's eligibility requirements and available funding.

Application Requirements

To apply, families must complete the scholarship application and provide the following documentation:

1. The most recent federal income tax return filed by the parent or legal guardian and the corresponding W-2 forms, as applicable.
2. The total tuition for each student for the upcoming school year at the qualified education provider selected by the parent or legal guardian.
3. Documentation of scholarships or other financial assistance received or anticipated from the school, other student scholarship organizations, the ACE Foundation, or other sources.
4. A copy of the applicable tuition schedule and tuition agreement for each student, including known scholarships, discounts, and other adjustments.
5. A copy of the previous school year's tuition agreement for each student.

Families should disclose changes in financial assistance as additional scholarship decisions become available.

Application Deadline and Award Process

Completed applications and supporting documentation must be submitted by **March 31** for consideration for the upcoming school year, which begins in August.

Applications will be reviewed to determine eligibility and potential award amounts. Because other scholarships and financial assistance may not be finalized until later in the spring or early summer, award notifications may be issued after those decisions are available.

Scholarship awards depend on eligibility, available funding, and applicable program requirements. Submission of an application does not guarantee an award.

If funds remain available after the initial award process, additional eligible students, including newly enrolled students, may be considered in accordance with the program's application and award procedures.

Mount Ellis Academy will communicate award decisions and any additional application opportunities to families as information becomes available.