

## **Tax Information Publication**



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## Florida Tax Credit Scholarship Program Tax Credit Cap Will Increase

The tax credit cap amount will increase to \$559,082,031 for the 2016-2017 state fiscal year.

Section 1002.395(5), Florida Statutes (F.S.), allows an increase of 25 percent of the tax credit cap when the annual tax credit amount for the prior state fiscal year is equal to or greater than 90 percent of the tax credit cap applicable to that year. The tax credit amount allocated for the 2015-2016 state fiscal year now exceeds 90 percent of the \$447,265,625 tax credit cap. Therefore, the tax credit cap amount will increase to \$559,082,031 (\$447,265,625 times 125 percent [1.25]) for the 2016-2017 state fiscal year.

The Florida Tax Credit Scholarship Program allows taxpayers to make private, voluntary contributions to nonprofit scholarship funding organizations (SFOs) and receive a dollar-for-dollar credit against specific Florida taxes. Oil and gas production taxpayers; taxpayers who pay sales tax under a direct pay permit; corporate income taxpayers; taxpayers who pay excise tax on liquor, wine, and malt beverages; and insurance premium taxpayers may participate in the program. See Rules 12-29.002 and 12-29.003, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), for more information.

Beginning January 4, 2016, you may apply for the 2016-2017 state fiscal year, or for tax years that begin in 2016 (in the case of corporate income tax and insurance premium tax). You may apply for a credit allocation using the Department's website.

References: Sections 211.02, 211.025, 212.183, 220.1875, 563.05, 564.04, 565.12, 624.509, and 1002.395, Florida Statutes (2014)

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