



BOOST Scholarship Program Overview for Nonpublic Schools

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Overview

- Annual program
- House Bill 200 ([HB0200](#)) Budget Bill for fiscal year 2024
- Awards scholarships to low-income kindergarten – 12th grade students
- Student must be attending a participating nonpublic school
- BOOST Advisory Board determines the award amounts
- Parents are offered an award, school confirms enrollment, MSDE sends the check to the school

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Nonpublic School Eligibility

- ✓ Hold a certificate of approval from or be registered with the State Board of Education
- ✓ Be approved to participate in the [Nonpublic Textbook Program](#)
- ✓ Offer at least a 1st grade full-day education
- ✓ Complete an application to the BOOST Scholarship Program
- ✓ Comply with all reporting requirements

Reporting Requirements

- Complete an application (tuition rate)
- Confirm enrollment (financial aid, discounts)
- Upload supporting documentation for Special Education students
- Administer an approved English, Math and Science assessment to all students in specified grade bands
- Report last year's assessment data
- Number of certified and non-certified teachers
- Number of students who were withdrawn or expelled, reason, and days in school
- Return all or a portion of that student's award

Online Survey



Great news! Your nonpublic school may be eligible to participate in the [BOOST Scholarship Program](#). A nonpublic school must first be approved to participate in the [Nonpublic Textbook Program](#). Your school meets this initial criteria!

The application for families to apply for their child(ren) to receive a scholarship will open in spring 2023. In order for families to apply, they will need to select a nonpublic school that is participating in the BOOST Scholarship Program. The schools that communicate interest here will appear on the list of participating schools for families to select when they apply for an award.

Please complete this survey as a way of communicating your interest in participation for the 2023-2024 school year no later than March 15, 2023.

Timeline

Date	Important Event
Feb 27 – Mar 15, 2023	Eligible nonpublic schools opt-in to participate
Spring 2023	BOOST application is released Customer service sessions are held for families Customer service session is held for participating nonpublic schools
Summer 2023	BOOST advisory board meets Customer service session is held for participating nonpublic schools
Fall 2023	Reporting requirements will be due Customer service session is held for participating nonpublic schools BOOST scholarship checks are mailed to schools in batches

Questions

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