



OHIO EDCHOICE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM GRADES K-12

Legacy Christian Academy EdChoice Scholarship Agreement

Tuition and Fees

The families of EdChoice Scholarship recipients are responsible for the following fees:

TUITION

There are two EdChoice Scholarship options (students may only have one EdChoice Scholarship):

1. The EdChoice Scholarship **Expansion** Program awards students in K-12th grade scholarships based on their household income level on the Federal Poverty Level Chart. Every full-time student in grade K-12 qualifies for this scholarship.
 - 0 – 200% - Full scholarship (Low Income Status) - family does not pay remaining tuition
 - 201% – 450% - Full scholarship - family pays remaining tuition
 - 451% and up - Partial scholarship based on the Federal Poverty Level Chart - family pays remaining tuitionFull scholarship amount: \$6,166 for grades K-8
\$8,408 for grades 9-12
2. The EdChoice Scholarship **Traditional** Program awards \$6,166 for students in grades K-8 and \$8,408 for students in grades 9-12. Eligibility is based on failing schools or other criteria. Very few students qualify for this scholarship.

Low-income status: Students on either EdChoice Scholarship may qualify for low-income status if the family's household income is 200% or less than the Federal Poverty Level. This excludes families from paying the remaining tuition beyond the scholarship award. Families must complete the income verification annually to be considered for low-income status. If the family's income changes for the following school year and does not meet the low income status requirements, the family will be responsible for the tuition difference between the scholarship amount and full LCA tuition. As long as the renewal process is completed yearly, the student will continue to be eligible for the scholarship.

- EdChoice families can apply for LCA Financial Aid/LEAF (based on need) for up to 50% of the remaining tuition.

Please note: The Ohio Department of Education issues checks for your child's tuition monthly during the school year. The checks are mailed to the school and issued in the name of the primary parent listed on the application and the school. It is your responsibility to come to the school to endorse the check when you are notified that it has been received. There is a limited Power of Attorney (POA) form available for you to sign if you would like the school to sign the EdChoice checks on your behalf. We have a notary available on site.

PSA

Per Student Assessment covers a variety of academic materials, facility costs, and student life events. This charge is **not** covered by the scholarship.

- EdChoice families can apply for LCA Financial Aid/LEAF (based on need) for up to 50% of the PSA.

ATHLETIC/DRAMA/ACTIVITY PARTICIPATION FEES

Please refer to the current LCA Tuition and Fees schedule for Athletic/Drama/Activity Participation fees. Participation fee(s) will be added to your FACTS account as a separate line item. Payment can be made directly through your FACTS account, or you can request the fee be added in with your monthly tuition/PSA payment by contacting the Business Office at 937-352-1660.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

A supply list will be posted on our website (www.legacyknights.org). These items should be sent with your child to Meet-the-Teacher night or on the first day of school.

UNIFORMS (GRADES K-12)

Uniform items with the LCA logo must be purchased from an LCA approved vendor (Lands' End or Educational Apparel) and be in compliance with the school's dress code policy (see Parent/Student Handbook).

Provision of Special Services

- LCA participates in the National School Lunch Program. Students who qualify may receive lunch at no cost or at a reduced rate.
- We do not provide Before and After School Care. Students can arrive no earlier than 7:15 a.m. or be on campus no later than 3:30 p.m. unless participating in school-sponsored extracurricular activities.

Transportation

- Please contact your local school district to inquire about available busing options. If transportation cannot be provided by your school district, parents may be eligible to receive a financial stipend from their respective school district.
- Because there is no guarantee that bus transportation will be provided and because this information will not be made available until shortly before school begins, it is the family's responsibility to have a secondary plan that provides transportation to and from school each day.

Attendance

- The Ohio Department of Education will not renew EdChoice scholarships if a student has more than 20 unexcused absences during the school year.
- Student absences must be reported to the Main Office no later than 8:30 a.m.
- An absence will be considered excused if it meets the criteria established by the Ohio Department of Education for the EdChoice Program and if a parental note or email explaining the absence is sent to the Main Office.
- Absences for an illness that exceeds 3 consecutive days must be documented by a physician's excuse.

The following documentation is required for submitting a New EdChoice Scholarship Application:

- Proof of address (copy of recent utility bill in the parent's name). If the parent(s) and child(ren) live with another individual, additional documentation will be required.
- Copy of the student's birth certificate
- Custody documentation (if applicable)
- EdChoice scholarship program Request Form
- Income Verification Form submitted online at ohid.ohio.gov (Not required for Traditional EdChoice scholarship applicants).
- Attached and submit a signed copy of this form with your application to the LCA office.

For additional information and resources on Ohio EdChoice, please visit:

<https://education.ohio.gov/Topics/Other-Resources/Scholarships/EdChoice-Scholarship>

I acknowledge that I have read and agree with the above information.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

School Administrator _____ Date _____

This form applies to the following students (Name/Grade):

EdChoice Request Form 2025-2026

STUDENT INFORMATION

This application is for (select one):

Traditional EdChoice Scholarship

EdChoice Expansion Scholarship (income based)

**Student data MUST match birth certificate.*

NAME: _____
(First) (Middle) (Last)

DATE OF BIRTH: _____ LAST FOUR DIGITS OF SSN: _____ GENDER: FEMALE MALE

MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME: _____ NATIVE LANGUAGE: _____

ETHNICITY: _____ CITY OF BIRTH: _____

GRADE LEVEL FOR 2024-2025: _____ GRADE LEVEL FOR 2025-2026: _____

IS THE STUDENT AN INCOMING KINDERGARTNER? YES NO

IS THE STUDENT AN INCOMING HIGH SCHOOLER? YES NO

HAS THE STUDENT EVER ATTENDED ANY OHIO PUBLIC SCHOOL? YES NO

IF YES, WHERE?

DISTRICT: _____ Building: _____ Year: _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

FOR THE PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNING CHECKS, I AM THE (CHECK ONE):

Natural Parent

Residential Parent

Adoptive Parent

Student who is at least 18 years old

Legal Guardian of student applying for scholarship funds (court documents or Affidavit of Eligibility are required)

PRIMARY PARENT/GUARDIAN

NAME: _____
(First) (Middle) (Last)

DATE OF BIRTH: _____ LAST FOUR DIGITS OF SSN: _____

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIPCODE: _____ COUNTY: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____ EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

RELATIONSHIP TO STUDENT: _____

SECONDARY PARENT/GUARDIAN

NAME: _____
(First) (Middle) (Last)

DATE OF BIRTH: _____ LAST FOUR DIGITS OF SSN: _____

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIPCODE: _____ COUNTY: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____ EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

RELATIONSHIP TO STUDENT: _____

SCHOOL INFORMATION

**Information must be completed to determine eligibility.*

My student is currently attending (check only one box):

Attending a public school

Attending a charter/community school

Attending a private school

Homeschooled (Never attended an Ohio School)

New to Ohio

Attending Pre-school

Other: _____

Name of school the student is currently attending: _____

Name of public school district you live in: _____

Name of public school the student would be assigned to for the 2025-26 school year: _____

INCOME VERIFICATION

Income verification is required for new Expansion Scholarship applicants. Income verification is not required to apply for a Traditional EdChoice Scholarship. Families may qualify for low-income status if they choose to have their income verified for the Traditional EdChoice Scholarship. To complete the Income Verification process,

parents may submit online using the [secure Income Verification system](#) or complete and mail the paper form. Emailing documents is not permitted.

ADDRESS VERIFICATION

Proof of residency is required of all renewal applicants and must be submitted to the school with the application.

Parents/Guardians must document residency by providing the school with a current (less than 90 days old) utility bill. The utility (electric, gas, water, sewer, cable/internet) bill must show matching service address and mailing address in the name of the parent/guardian. Post office boxes (except in rural areas where residents only have a PO Box) and cell phone bills have no service address and therefore are not accepted.

Other Acceptable Documents: A monthly mortgage statement (less than 90 days old) **or** lease/rental agreement (signed by lessee and lessor) **and** a piece of current business mail (examples: pay stub, bank statement, insurance statement, car payment statement, etc.) with parent/guardian's name and address. Additional information can be found on the [scholarship webpage](#).

2025-2026 EDCHOICE PARENT AGREEMENT

I _____ AGREE TO THE FOLLOWING:
(Parent Name)

- The information provided in this application is true and correct.
- I have supplied the chartered nonpublic school with a certified copy of the student's birth certificate, copies of all custody/guardianship documentation for the student, and proof of my address.
- I have submitted only one EdChoice application for this student.
- The scholarship amount shall only be applied to the tuition of the enrolling school, and I may be required to pay other fees and costs as prescribed by the policies of the school.
- I will sign all scholarship checks received by the private school for my student in a timely manner. I understand that if I fail to endorse the scholarship checks to the school, I will be responsible for paying the student's tuition.
- If I transfer my scholarship to another participating chartered nonpublic school, I will notify the school of my intent to withdraw and I will return to the original school to sign any remaining checks.
- I will apply for any and all financial aid or tuition discounts and adjustments made regularly available to the students attending the school in which the student is accepted for enrollment.
- I will abide by the Ohio Department of Education and Workforce (DEW) dispute resolution process outlined in Ohio Administrative Code Section 3301-11-14.
- If I am not a low-income parent or did not complete the income verification process, I will be responsible for paying any difference between the scholarship amount and the tuition of the chartered nonpublic school.
- I must inform DEW and the chartered nonpublic school of any change in the student's residential address or custody status.
- I will not be able to renew my child's scholarship if: 1) my family moves to another public school district unless my child would be assigned to an EdChoice designated public school in the new district (applicable only to students who were initially awarded a scholarship based on an EdChoice designated

building); 2) my child does not complete all required assessments; 3) my child has more than 20 unexcused absences for the school year; or 4) I fail to complete the renewal process. If my child received an EdChoice Expansion scholarship, I must maintain Ohio residency.

- I have received and understand the policy handbook of the chartered nonpublic school and will abide by its provisions.
- I understand that if my child's scholarship has been awarded in error, it will be terminated immediately, and I would then be responsible for paying the tuition if I decide to keep my child at the private school.

I designate _____ (Private School Name) to submit an application on my behalf for the Scholarship Program through the Ohio Department of Education and Workforce's electronic application system. By signing below, I agree to the above statements.

SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN THAT WILL BE SIGNING CHECK

DATE

Return to the private school with a copy of current utility bill showing matching service and mailing addresses.

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