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2024-2025 Arizona Public School Tax Credit Form

Support Southside Community School extracurricular programs and lower your state tax bill with the Arizona Public School Tax Credit!

1. Make your Arizona Public School Tax Credit contribution to Southside Community School by April 15, 2025.

The maximum Arizona Public School Tax Credit for any tax year is \$400 for married couples filing jointly, and \$200 for individuals. Gifts can be delivered directly to the school.

2. Receive a dollar-for-dollar tax credit on your state tax bill for your full gift amount.

You will receive a tax-deductible receipt upon processing your contribution. The credit may only be used to the extent that it reduces your tax liability to zero. Any unused amount may be carried forward for no more than five consecutive taxable years.

3. Southside Community School will receive much-needed financial support for our extracurricular programs.

| Donor Name  | Student Referral |
|---|------------------|
| Address   | City/State/Zip   |
| Email   | Phone            |
| I would like to make a contribution of ☐\$400 ☐ \$200 ☐Other \$   |                  |
| Checks payable to Southside Community School must be received by April 15, 2025.                                  |                  |
| Please designate my contribution to the following extracurricular program:   Where needed most (preferred)  Other |                  |

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## Frequently Asked Questions

**What is it?** The Arizona Public School Tax Credit is a program that gives Arizona taxpayers the opportunity to contribute to extracurricular programs at the public school of their choice, and receive a dollar-for-dollar credit on their state taxes. This contribution is also tax-deductible for federal purposes in the year it is contributed.

**How much can I give?** The maximum credit allowed is \$400 for married couples filing jointly or \$200 for individuals filing as single, head of household, or married filing separately.

## How does it work?

- 1. Make your contribution to Southside Community School by April 15, 2025.
- 2. You will receive a tax-deductible receipt upon processing your donation.
- 3. When paying your taxes in Spring 2025, determine your state tax liability per usual. Complete Arizona Form 322 to deduct the full amount of your contribution as a credit on your state tax return, up to the amount of your tax liability.

What if I owe the state a balance? Your Arizona Public School Tax Credit contribution will provide you with a dollar-for-dollar credit on your state taxes. For example, if you have a state tax liability of \$1,800, and you contributed \$400 to the 2024 Tax Credit program, you immediately reduce your liability to \$1,400.

What if the state owes me a refund? Your state refund will be increased by the dollar amount of your Arizona Public School Tax Credit contribution. For example, if the state owes you a \$200 refund, and you contributed \$400 to the 2024 Tax Credit program, your refund is immediately increased to \$600, provided your calculated state tax liability exceeds the tax credit.

**So, there is no additional cost to me?** That's correct. You get your contribution back through a dollar-for-dollar credit on your Arizona state tax liability.

Can my family, friends and coworkers make a tax credit contribution to Southside Community School? Yes! As long as they pay taxes to the state of Arizona, they can take full advantage of the Arizona Public School Tax Credit program. There is no need to have a child attending the school.

Can I take advantage of other Arizona tax credits each calendar year? Yes. As long as your Arizona state tax liability meets or exceeds the amount of the credits, you can take full advantage of other tax credits offered by the state of Arizona (e.g., Private School Tuition, Qualifying Charitable Organizations, and the Arizona Military Relief Fund).

Are there any restrictions? Yes. If you are making contributions to a public school, it must be for extracurricular programs. These are defined as supplementary school-sponsored activities for enrolled students. The maximum credit allowed is \$400 for married filing joint filers and \$200 for single, heads of household and married filing separate filers. Remember, if you contribute to another tax credit program (e.g., Private School Tuition), you might end up contributing more than your tax liability.

For additional questions, please visit <a href="https://azdor.gov/tax-credits/public-school-tax-credit">https://azdor.gov/tax-credits/public-school-tax-credit</a>, or email mcosta@scstucson.org.

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