



## News From *State Representative Darren Bailey*

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### **Rep. Bailey Encourages Families to Apply Jan. 15<sup>th</sup> for the “Tax Credit Scholarship” for Private/Parochial Students**

LOUISVILLE... State Rep. Darren Bailey (R-Xenia) is encouraging families who may qualify to apply January 15<sup>th</sup> for the recently established scholarship program for non-public school. This is the third year K-12 students from families with limited financial resources and income up to 300 percent of the federal poverty level, are eligible to receive a tax credit scholarship. Returning scholarship recipients can make up to 400 percent of the federal poverty level.

“Families who have students in a private/parochial school should check into this scholarship program to see if maybe they qualify to help pay for the costs of their children’s education,” commented Rep. Bailey. “I’m aware of at least a couple of schools in our area on the recognized list: St. Joseph Grade School in Olney and St. Thomas School in Newton.”

Before April 1, priority will be given to students from each of the following categories:

- Members of a household whose previous year’s total annual income does not exceed 185% of the federal poverty level (\$47,637.50 for a family of 4); OR
- Reside within a focus district; OR
- Received a scholarship from a scholarship granting organization during the previous school year; OR
- Siblings of a current scholarship recipient.

After April 1, all other qualifying students will be considered for scholarships, subject to availability of funds.

This year, the reservation form will be **available at 6:30pm**, to give families time to enter their information before **submission at 7pm**. The reservation will have two pages. On page one, you will enter basic information, such as parent name, student name, and contact information. On page two, you will review this information and click submit. **Only after clicking submit on page two will you receive your first come, first-served timestamp.**

On January 17, you will be notified by email when part two of the application opens. You can complete this step whenever you are able to ensure accuracy, but we encourage you to submit your application before January 27 for the best chance at receiving a scholarship.

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