

ACSTO – Arizona Christian School Tuition Organization

Are you interested in enrolling your child in Christian Kindergarten at God's Garden Child Development Center, but need help paying for it? Your child is eligible for the school tuition tax credit. God's Garden partners with ACSTO, a school tuition organization, to help you afford a private Christian Education for your child. ACSTO uses tax credit donations to award tuition scholarships to Christian School students attending one of their partner schools, like God's Garden.

Now is the perfect time to begin this program! You may apply for a scholarship up to one year prior to when your child starts Kindergarten at God's Garden. Submit an application to ACSTO via their website (<https://acsto.org/>) and any scholarships awarded to your child can be sent to us as tuition becomes due for the upcoming school year. Donors can donate to ACSTO and recommend your child for a scholarship up to one year before your child begins K-12th grade.

How to get started?

1) Apply on the ACSTO website – your child is not eligible for the state tax credit, unless you apply (<https://acsto.org/>). ACSTO needs a current Scholarship Application for each of your children (K-12 only) enrolled. Your child(ren) must be enrolled at the school listed on the application. You must apply via the parent portal on the ACSTO website (<https://parent.acsto.org/auth/login>). You will be prompted to create an account, apply online, update family information, and create a child narrative.

2) Make a donation and ask friends and family to make a donation

After you have applied, ask your friends and family to make a donation and recommendation for your child. The more donations God's Garden receives, the more scholarships your child is eligible to receive. It is even possible to get your child's tuition completely covered for the entire year! **No need to wait, you can start making donations today.** To make a donation, visit the donor portal on the ACSTO website: <https://donor.acsto.org/>. Donors can also choose to donate by phone at 480-820-0403 or by mail. Mail donations with a donation card to PO Box 6580, Chandler, AZ 85246.

3) Attend an ACSTO Parent Workshop to learn more about the program, find out how much you can donate, and ask Questions!

4) Receive a dollar for dollar credit on your state taxes.

Award Cycles

In order to receive tax credit scholarships you must apply on the parent portal by the deadline on the award cycle.

There are 4 award cycles each year:

1. **Summer** – awarded in September, applications due by July 31st
2. **Fall** – awarded in November, applications due by September 30th
3. **Winter** – awarded in February/March, applications due by January 31st
4. **Spring** – awarded in May, applications due by March 31st

Please visit the ACSTO website www.acsto.org for more information or watch a short video to see how it works – <https://youtu.be/vi4gSZOInyl>. If you have any questions, you may contact ACSTO directly at 480-820-0403.