Personalized Education Program

What is the Personalized Education Program (PEP)?

PEP, funded through the Florida Tax Credit Scholarship (FTC), was created to serve Florida’s home education population who would like access to an education saving account to fund their student’s learning.

Will my student still be considered a home education student?

No. To be able to apply for the FTC scholarship the parent or guardian of a home education student must first file a Letter of Termination to end the home education program with their school district home education coordinator along with the annual evaluation required within 30 days of termination.

What are the requirements for a PEP student?

- Must be registered with the Florida Department of Education (FLDOE) approved scholarship-funding organization (SFO).
- Must not be enrolled full-time in a public, charter school, school for the deaf and blind, college preparatory academy, a developmental research school, or juvenile justice school.
- Be at least age 5 by September 1, of the school year in which they wish to enroll.
- Must annually submit a Student Learning Plan (SLP) to the SFO.
- Must take a FLDOE approved national norm-reference test and submit results to the SFO.
- Must complete a sworn compliance statement through the SFO.

What is the Student Learning Plan and how will it affect my child’s education?

A Student Learning Plan (SLP) is a customized learning plan developed by parents at least annually to guide instruction for their students and to address the services needed to fulfill the academic needs of their student.

What will this education savings account pay for?

Instructional material (including digital materials and internet resources), curriculum, tuition for full-time or part-time enrollment in a home education instructional program, education at an eligible postsecondary education institution or approved apprenticeship program, fees for nationally standardized norm-reference tests and other assessments, contracted services provided by a public school or school district, tuition and fees for part-time tutoring services, an approved virtual course, tuition as a private pay student at Florida Virtual School, and fees for a “Choice Navigator”.

What is a Choice Navigator?

A Choice Navigator is an optional service provider intended to help guide parents through the myriad of choices that will become available to them through an education savings account.

How do I apply for a PEP scholarship?

Parents apply for the scholarship through a scholarship-funding organization.
How many PEP students can receive a scholarship?

The law limits the program to 20,000 students for the 2023-24 school year. The program will grow by 40,000 students per year thereafter.