ETTC Business Applications for 2011

When to apply for tax credits in 2011:

- ♦ A business entering their second year of a two year commitment can apply to the DCED beginning May 15
- New businesses or businesses in their first year of a one or two year commitment may apply beginning July 1
- Businesses that will be applying for tax credits under the PIT option can apply beginning July 8

Please remember that all applications are processed by the DCED on a first come first serve basis by the day. We highly recommend that applications be submitted on the first day of acceptance of shortly thereafter.

As a courtesy, The Children's Scholarship Fund of PA will be hand delivering first year applications on the morning of July 1st. Please contact our office in advance if you would like us to deliver your application.

Act 4 of 2001 & ACT 48 of 2003 of the Education Improvement Tax Credit Program

\$8,000,000 set aside for Pre Kindergarten Scholarships

- ♦ Businesses will receive a 100% credit for the first \$10,000, and up to a 90% credit on the remaining amount of the contribution.
- ♦ Requires only a 1 year commitment!
- ♦ Businesses can apply for up to a \$150,000 in credits.
- Receiving school must be within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

\$44.6 Million set aside for K through 12 Scholarships

- \$22.3 Million to Educational Improvement Organizations.
- ♦ Businesses can receive credit up to \$300,000 per fiscal year for the K through 12 program.
- ♦ 1 or 2 year commitment.
- Receiving school must be within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

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___ The Children's Scholarship Fund of Pennsylvania_ CSF Update

The Children's Scholarship Fund of Pennsylvania is wrapping up another successful year. Over 1.2 million dollars in scholarships were awarded to over 1000 students. Students attend 39 schools throughout northwestern and central Pennsylvania.

We would like to thank all the businesses that have contributed to make this possible as each

year the need for scholarships becomes greater.

The 2011 scholarship application is available online at www.csfofpa.org. Please apply early, as a reminder all documentation and fee must be received in our office prior to the deadline of September 30th, 2011.

Increase in Income Guidelines for Families

Please use the following income eligibility guidelines which become effective on July 1, 2011

1 parent & 1 child-maximum household income of \$60,000

2 parents & 1 child-maximum household income of \$72,000

2 parents & 2 children-maximum household income of \$84,000

* \$12,000 for each additional dependent

State Representative Donna Oberlander

Thank you for supporting Education and the EITC program of Pennsylvania.



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The Children's Scholarship Fund of Pennsylvania wishes all of you a Safe & Happy summer.

Happy Summer



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Providing Excellent Catholic Education THE DIVINE REDEEMER SCHOOL A Catholic School in the Diocese of Greensburg



Catholic education began in Armstrong County in 1891 when St. Mary's Catholic School in Ford City was established followed by the opening of Holy Trinity Catholic School in 1913. In 1973 these two schools were combined to create Ford City Catholic School. In 1985 the Catholic school in Kittanning closed leaving Ford City Catholic as the last remaining Catholic school in Armstrong County. In 1997 Bishop Anthony G. Bosco decreed that Ford City Catholic be renamed The Divine Redeemer School.

The Divine Redeemer School is a regional Catholic elementary school of the Diocese of Greensburg, serving students from preschool through grade six. As a faith-based school it offers an excellent academic curriculum, as well as a Christian curriculum relating to the development of positive values and behavior.

Its mission is to create a community of faith that promotes the dignity of all through Gospel values and an environment that fosters the love of God, of self, and of others. Dedicated to the spiritual, intellectual, creative, social and physical development of its students, Divine Redeemer School offers a curriculum sensitive to individual needs, in a Catholic atmosphere.

Nicalena Carlesi is currently the principal at Divine Redeemer after serving as Head Teacher for one year.

The current enrollment for Preschool 3 through grade 6 is 129 students which is an increase of 15%

from last year. There are 8 full-time and 8 part-time teachers.

Preschool through third grade are self contained classrooms while fourth through 6 change classes for Math, Science, Health and Language Arts

Spanish is offered to all grades including preschool. Other classes offered outside the regular curriculum include; Religion; Art; Music; Technology; Physical Education; Health; Guidance – goal building/organizational skills and Instrumental Music Lessons.

Kindergarten is a full-day program with the possibility of a full-day Pre K program in the 2011 – 2012 school year. An extended Day program is offered after school until 5:30 P.M. Students can do homework, work on their computer skills or participate in organized crafts, games and outdoor play.

When asked; what makes your school special? Mrs. Carlesi responded; "The Family atmosphere, parent volunteers and all the community service projects that each class participates in such as; cards to firemen, decorating at local nursing homes, eyeglass collection for Lions club, school Relay for Life team, "Kids for a Cure, food drives for the Community Food Bank and cards and letters to service personnel."

When asked; what do you think of The Children's Scholarship Fund of PA? She had this to say; "It has been a saving grace for many families who could not make tuition payments."



Mrs. Carlesi, Principal with the Dobransky family

Marathon 2010



Grade 3-Mitten Tree Service Project

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Grade 1-Pennies from Heaven campaign



The Sixth Grade class with Trent Bocan, Superintendent of Catholic Schools, Bishop Lawrence Brandt, Diocese of Greensburg-, Nicalena Carlesi, Principal

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