



Greetings School Choice Advocate,

First, we want to say thank you for all your support this year. Your efforts helped us get ESA legislation further than ever before, 529 plans are expanding to K-12 education, and there is still more to come.

School choice measures are still alive and well at the Capitol. Our efforts this year are continuing to pay off and there is hope for an expansion of the School Tuition Organization (STO) tax credit program yet this session.

The STO scholarship program helps thousands of Iowa families attend non-public schools each year. Because of this program, many Iowa families, who would otherwise be unable to attend non-public schools, are able to enroll their children in the educational institution of their choice.

Furthermore, the STO program pays for itself and then saves the state more than \$12 million a year due to students attending non-public schools. A program that pays for itself is hard to come by, but a program that SAVES the state millions of dollars is a rarity.

The STO program has not been expanded since 2013, therefore, the savings to the state and the number of families the program assists have both stagnated. An expansion of the STO program from \$12 million to \$20 million annually would help thousands of more Iowa families make the educational choice that best fits their families' needs. In addition to helping Iowa's families, the expansion of the STO program would continue to bring further savings to the state budget on top of the current annual savings of more than \$12 million.

Please contact your state Senator and Representative and ask him or her to support expanding the STO tax credit program!

You will find below a draft letter, to customize and personalize as you see fit, and share with legislators.

Another great way to help build support for school choice legislation in our state is by sharing your support on social media, including Facebook and Twitter. Please consider sharing your personal story and other reasons why you support school choice for Iowans using #SupportSchoolChoiceIA.

Thank you for your time and effort,
Iowa Advocates for Choice in Education

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