Preschool Scholarship FAQ?

How do scholarships work?

There are two scholarships that families can apply for, one with funds coming from the state and the other state funds that are issued by our school. Here's a quick breakdown of the two scholarships.

State scholarship

Students who qualify will receive up to \$7500 which can be used for preschool and extended

State scholarships are awarded in on a first-come, first-served basis. Children must be 3 years old to apply.

care tuition.

School scholarship

Students who qualify will receive tuition assitance for 2, 3 or 5 half day preschool program. School scholarships cannot be used toward extened care tuition.

School scholarships will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis, starting after July 1.

Who can apply for a scholarship?

To be eligible for an Early Learning scholarship, families must live in Scott County and have a child who is 3 or 4 years old by September 1 of the current school year and not yet eligible for kindergarten. A family must have an annual income at or below the income guidelines in the chart below to apply for a scholarship.

I'm currently receiving a scholarship, do I have to reapply?

Yes, Current three year olds enrolled in the 2020-21 Stepping Stones Preschool who received a scholarship will need to fill out a *renewal application* to continue receiving a scholarship for the same child as a four year old in the 2021-22 Stepping Stones Preschool.

Please contact Elaine at 952-496-5861 or eberens@shakopee.k12.mn.us for specific information on how to apply for an Early Learning scholarships.

Families that are over the income guideline but are experiencing a family hardship can contact Elaine for an alternative scholarship consideration.

Apply early.

2020-2021 Income Guidelines

Family Size	Gross Income	Family Size	Gross Income
2	\$31,894	6	\$66,046
3	\$40,182	7	\$73,344
4	\$48,470	8	\$80,346
5	\$56,758	9*	\$88,622

For family units of more than eight members, add \$8,288 for each additional member.

^{*}See Family Size of 9 as an example.