

OFFICE OF INDEPENDENT EDUCATION AND PARENTAL CHOICE

Scholarship Bulletin | April 2018

May 1st Compliance Deadline

Renewing private schools that met the Scholarship Compliance Form postmark deadline of March 1 must resolve any outstanding compliance issues by May 1 in order to remain eligible to participate in the state scholarship programs for next school year. All compliance documentation must be received by our office and be correct no later than May 1. Renewing schools having unresolved issues after May 1 will not be able to participate in the state scholarship programs for the upcoming school year.

Helpful videos and information can be found under Compliance Resources (in the left-hand menu), when you are logged in at www.floridaschoolchoice.org. Remember, you can use the Compliance Checklist link, also in the left menu, to see the status of your document review. Please contact your Regional Manager or email our office at schoolchoice@fldoe.org if you have any questions about the compliance process.

Facilities Inspections Reminder

To help your annual compliance process run more smoothly, review your facility's fire, health, and radon inspection reports before you submit them to our office. Check to see that the inspector completes the forms with your school's correct name and complete address. Fire and health inspections should be appropriate for a K-12 private school (not for a daycare or business) and must be in your school's name, even if you are leasing space from a church or other organization.

McKay Upcoming Deadlines

May 1

Date by which all Compliance issues must be resolved.

June 1

Date by which requests for missing payments must be submitted.

July 3

Intent filing deadline for the September 1 payment.

August 2

Enrollment deadline for the September 1 payment.

August 15

Date by which FTC standardized testing results must be submitted.

More Information

Regional Managers

McKay Calendar

McKay Deadlines

Application & Renewal Instructions

McKay Student Technical Assistance

Compliance Resources

McKay Parent Affidavit

Update Notification Form

FTC Norm-Referenced Testing

Private schools participating in the Florida Tax Credit (FTC)
Scholarship Program must report the results of nationally normreferenced tests or the statewide assessments administered by the
private school in grades 3 through 10 to the parent and to Learning
Systems Institute. Please send copies of score sheets with name,
testing date, and national percentile ranking by August 15 to:

Melissa Dyehouse

Learning Systems Institute

Florida State University

Suite 4600 University Center Bldg. C

Tallahassee, FL 32306-2540

For information about upcoming deadlines or questions about the project, please contact Melissa Dyehouse via phone (850-645-0396) or email (mdyehouse@lsi.fsu.edu) or go to: http://schoolreporting.net.

McKay Payment Discrepancies

If there is a student for whom you are missing a McKay Scholarship payment, you must submit a Scholarship Issue Form along with all necessary documentation to our office. Please be aware that the final deadline for the submission of all payment documentation for the current school year is June 1. Requests or documentation submitted after that date cannot be processed.

Other Resources



SCHOOL LIBRARY MONTH

April is School Library Month. School library programs enhance students' reading enjoyment and help prepare them for lifelong learning. The 60th Anniversary of National Library Week is April 8-14, 2018 and the resources and contributions of all types of libraries will be highlighted. For ideas and recommended reading lists, see ilovelibraries.org.



Spearheaded by the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, <u>Living Healthy in Florida</u> provides consistent information to Florida's children, families, and seniors on healthy eating, good nutrition, and active living. Check out their <u>Resources for Teachers</u> designed to bring food, health, and agriculture into the classroom.

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