

Steps for Prospective Catholic of PC students through the ACE/Arete TDR Program

1. Fill out an application to Catholic of Pointe Coupee and return it to the school. Applications are available on the school website under “Admissions” - <http://www.catholicpc.com>. Registration forms must be returned to the school office with “ACE or Arete Applicant” written on the top of the form accompanied by your \$200 registration fee. Your registration check will only be cashed if the prospective student is awarded the scholarship and/or they enroll and are accepted into Catholic of Pointe Coupee.
2. In order to qualify for a scholarship through the ACE or Arete Tuition Donation Rebate Program, he/she must meet certain criteria which can be found on the Information Sheets attached.
3. Visit one or both of the following websites to apply for the scholarship. You may apply for both, but if awarded, you may only accept one scholarship. See application windows and websites below:

ARETE Program – February 21st – March 3rd

<http://www.aretescholars.org/>

ACE Program – March 1st – May 15th

<http://www.acescholarships.org/>

4. ACE/Arete officials will contact you if you are awarded a scholarship.
 - a. It is encouraged that the parent of the child awaiting a scholarship check in periodically to see what the status of the potential scholarship is with the ACE/ARETE officials.
5. Schedule an interview with the principal of CHSPC/CESPC, if required.

Please be aware that if you do not register at Catholic of Pointe Coupee and provide all necessary contact information, we may not be able to get in touch with you to inform you that you are awarded a scholarship and/or you are accepted into the school. You may lose your scholarship amount if we are unable to contact you.

Catholic of Pointe Coupee contact for prospective ACE/Arete students:

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A School Tuition Organization Serving Louisiana Families

LOUISIANA'S PRIVATE SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Louisiana Tuition Donation Rebate Program allows qualified Louisiana children to receive scholarships to qualified K-12 private schools, allowing parents to choose the school that will best prepare their children for college, careers, and for life. ACE Scholarships Louisiana is a scholarship granting organization and offers scholarships to qualified children on a first-come, first-served basis for as long as funds are available. Applications will be available on our website, www.acescholarships.org on March 1, 2017. We will accept applications through May 15, 2017.

Here is what you need to know:

DOES MY CHILD QUALIFY FOR A SCHOLARSHIP?

To find out, answer the questions below. You must answer “Yes” to all questions for your child to qualify for a scholarship.

- YES NO My child is a resident of Louisiana.
- YES NO My child attended a Louisiana public school during the 2016–2017 school year. OR
- My child is attending kindergarten for the first time in the 2017-18 school year.
OR - My child participated in the Louisiana scholarship program/tuition donation rebate program during the 2016-17 school year.
- YES NO My family income is less than the amount listed below.

SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY - 250% of Current Federal Poverty Guidelines

FAMILY HOUSEHOLD SIZE	YEARLY AMOUNT (\$)	MONTHLY AMOUNT (\$)	BI-WEEKLY AMOUNT (\$)	WEEKLY AMOUNT (\$)
2	40,050	3,338	1,541	771
3	50,400	4,200	1,939	970
4	60,750	5,063	2,337	1,169
5	71,100	5,925	2,735	1,368
6	81,450	6,788	3,133	1,567
7	91,825	7,653	3,532	1,766
8	102,225	8,519	3,932	1,966
Add the following amount for each additional family member.	10,400	867	400	200

HOW MUCH IS THE ACE SCHOLARSHIP?

It may vary slightly depending on the private school you choose, but in general the scholarship amounts are as follows:

- For grades K – 8 the scholarship is \$4,184.80 per school year, or the full amount of tuition and fees, if tuition and fees are less than \$4,184.80
- For grades 9 – 12 the scholarship is \$4,707.90 per school year, or the full amount of tuition and fees, if tuition and fees are less than \$4,707.90

HOW CAN I CHOOSE A SCHOOL?

ACE is partnering with private schools throughout Louisiana to offer parents a wide variety of choices. Visit our website: www.acescholarships.org for a complete listing of schools.

Don't see your private school choice on our list? Tell the school administration to contact us about partnering with us in Tuition Donation Rebate Program. Have them call (504) 491-1813.

IT'S YOUR CHILD. IT'S YOUR CHOICE

If your child is awarded a scholarship, those funds are portable during the school year and may be used at any qualifying private school. So, if the private school you select ends up not being the right fit, you can transfer your child to another participating private school and the scholarship goes with you.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROGRAM AND THE
APPLICATION PROCESS, VISIT US ON THE WEB AT
WWW.ACESCHOLARSHIPS.ORG OR CALL 504.491.1813.**

CHOOSE THE BEST SCHOOL FOR YOUR CHILD



SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED BEGINNING FEBRUARY 21, 2017.

Through the Louisiana Tuition Donation Rebate (TDR) program, Arete Scholars provides K-12 scholarships to qualified low-to-moderate-income students, empowering parents to choose the nonpublic school that will best prepare your children for college, careers, and life.



ARETE SCHOLARS

Scholarships are awarded on a first-come, first-served basis, with priority given to current TDR and Louisiana Scholarship Program students. Award amounts are capped annually at 80% of the state's per student expense for students in grades K-8 and 90% for high schoolers. **Current scholarship limits are \$4,184.80 for K-8 students and \$4,707.90 for grades 9-12.**

To be eligible for a scholarship in 2017-18, students must meet the following requirements:

1. Louisiana resident, **AND**
2. Enrolled in Louisiana public school for 2016-17, **OR**
 - Entering kindergarten in 2017-18, **OR**
 - Received a TDR scholarship or Louisiana Scholarship Program award in 2016-17, **AND**
3. Family income may not exceed the guidelines below

Household Size	Gross Annual Income	Gross Monthly Income
2	40,050	3,338
3	50,400	4,200
4	60,750	5,063
5	71,100	5,925
6	81,450	6,788
7	91,825	7,652
Each add'l	10,400	867

If your child meets **all** of the eligibility requirements, you may apply online beginning February 21st at AreteScholars.org. The application link will go live at 9:00AM CST and a \$30 application processing fee will apply. In addition to your application, you will need to submit your most recent federal income tax return, all W-2 forms, proof of residency, and supporting documentation for non-taxable income. A complete list of required documents can be found on our website.

The application deadline is currently March 3, 2017. Check AreteScholars.org for updates or changes to the deadline. Funding is limited, and application does not guarantee a scholarship.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT MARY HELEN WIRWA AT MARYHW@ARETESCHOLARS.ORG.

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