

FACT SHEET: The § 25F Federal Tax Credit Scholarship

A New, Zero-Cost Employee Benefit for Your Workforce

Beginning in **2027**, a landmark federal law (**Internal Revenue Code § 25F**) allows individuals to redirect up to **\$1,700** of their federal tax liability (\$3,400 for joint filers) to support K–12 student scholarships.

As an employer, you can facilitate this "frictionless" giving through your existing payroll system—giving your employees a way to support local education at **no net cost to them or your company.**

How It Works: The "Frictionless" Model

The goal is to allow employees to fund their scholarship contribution throughout the year using small, regular payroll deductions.

- Step 1: Employee Election. An employee chooses to donate \$1,700 annually to a qualified Scholarship Granting Organization (SGO), like AAA Scholarship Foundation, to be used to fund scholarships at their selected school of choice.
- **Step 2: Payroll Deduction.** The employer deducts the amount (approx. \$65 bi-weekly) from the employee's **after-tax** pay.
- Step 3: W-4 Adjustment. The employee updates Step 3 of Form W-4. This reduces their federal tax withholding by the same amount, ensuring their take-home pay remains virtually unchanged.
- Step 4: Direct Remittance. The employer sends the collected funds directly to AAA.

Why Should Your Company Participate?

Benefit	Impact
Zero Cost	The program is funded entirely by tax credits that would otherwise go to the IRS. There is no direct expense to the employer.
Recruitment & Retention	Offering a "community impact" benefit helps you stand out. Employees feel proud that their work helps fund local scholarships.

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Simple Administration	This functions like any other voluntary deduction (e.g., United Way or 401k). At year-end, you simply report the total in Box 12 of the W-2 .
Corporate Social Responsibility	You facilitate thousands of dollars in educational funding for low- and middle-income families in your community.

Frequently Asked Questions

- **Is this a deduction?** No. It is a **dollar-for-dollar tax credit**. This is much more powerful than a deduction because it reduces the employee's tax bill by the exact amount donated.
- **Does the employer have to match funds?** No. While employers *can* choose to donate, this specific program is powered by the employee's own tax liability.
- What are the reporting requirements? Under our proposed model, the employer simply lists the total annual contribution in **Box 12 of Form W-2** (using a designated IRS code). This acts as the employee's "receipt" for their tax return.

Ready to get started? AAA Scholarship Foundation is ready to partner with your HR team to provide the necessary employee enrollment forms.

Contact us today at 888-707-2465 or https://www.aaascholarships.org/contact-us/