



INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES

Effective from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022

HOUSEHOLD SIZE	ANNUAL	MONTHLY	TWICE PER MONTH	BIWEEKLY	WEEKLY
1	23,828	1,986	993	917	459
2	32,227	2,686	1,343	1,240	620
3	40,626	3,386	1,693	1,563	782
4	49,025	4,086	2,043	1,886	943
5	57,424	4,786	2,393	2,209	1,105
6	65,823	5,486	2,743	2,532	1,266
7	74,222	6,186	3,093	2,855	1,428
8	82,621	6,886	3,443	3,178	1,589
For each additional family member, add	+8,399	+700	+350	+324	+162

Reminder: Total income before taxes, social security, health benefits, union dues, or other deductions must be reported.

Income guidelines provided by [USDA.gov](https://www.usda.gov)

Take Stock in Children requires that every student's financial situation be examined closely at the time the student's application is evaluated. All applicants should provide their current year filed IRS Tax Form 1040 as verification of income showing total income. The tax return provided must include the student as a dependent. Tax returns from 2020 or 2021 are accepted as documentation.

Form **1040** Department of the Treasury—Internal Revenue Service (99) **2020** U.S. Individual Income Tax Return OMB No. 1545-0047 IRS Use Only—Do not write or staple in this space.

Filing Status Single Married filing jointly Married filing separately (MFS) Head of household (HOH) Qualifying widow(er) (QW)
 Check only one box. If you checked the MFS box, enter the name of your spouse. If you checked the HOH or QW box, enter the child's name if the qualifying person is a child but not your dependent ▶

Your first name and middle initial _____ Last name _____ Your social security number _____
 If joint return, spouse's first name and middle initial _____ Last name _____ Spouse's social security number _____

Home address (number and street). If you have a P.O. box, see instructions. _____ Apt. no. _____
 City, town, or post office. If you have a foreign address, also complete spaces below. _____ State _____ ZIP code _____
 Foreign country name _____ Foreign province/state/country _____ Foreign postal code _____

At any time during 2020, did you receive, sell, send, exchange, or otherwise acquire any financial interest in any virtual currency? Yes No

Standard Deduction Someone can claim: You as a dependent Your spouse as a dependent
 Spouse itemizes on a separate return or you were a dual-status alien

Age/Blindness You: Were born before January 2, 1956 Are blind **Spouse:** Was born before January 2, 1956 Is blind

(1) First name	Last name	(2) Social security number	(3) Relationship to you	(4) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> if qualifies for (see instructions): Child tax credit	Credit for other dependents
_____	_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
_____	_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

1 Wages, salaries, tips, etc. Attach Form(s) W-2	1
2a Tax-exempt interest	2a
3a Qualified dividends	3a
4a IRA distributions	4a
5a Pensions and annuities	5a
6a Social security benefits	6a
7 Capital gain or (loss). Attach Schedule D if required. If not required, check here ▶	7
8 Other income from Schedule 1, line 9	8
9 Add lines 1, 2b, 3b, 4b, 5b, 6b, 7, and 8. This is your total income ▶	9
10 Adjustments to income:	
a From Schedule 1, line 22	10a
b Charitable contributions if you take the standard deduction. See instructions	10b
c Add lines 10a and 10b. These are your total adjustments to income ▶	10c
11 Subtract line 10c from line 9. This is your adjusted gross income ▶	11
12 Standard deduction or itemized deductions (from Schedule A) ▶	12
13 Qualified business income deduction. Attach Form 8995 or Form 8995-A	13
14 Add lines 12 and 13	14
15 Taxable income. Subtract line 14 from line 11. If zero or less, enter -0-	15

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Find Student applicant's name on the tax return. Calculate total number of dependents

Find total family income on Line 9.

All students must qualify under at least one of the options outlined below: (1) Free and Reduced Lunch program / USDA Income Eligibility Guidelines Chart, (2) HUD Documentation / HUD Income Eligibility by County Guidelines Chart, (3) Medicaid Recipient Documentation (4) SNAP or TANF Recipient Documentation, (5) Other (see list below).

(1) Qualified applicants must be a recipient of the Free and Reduced Lunch program and meet the income eligibility guidelines published annually by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (Guidelines Announced for Free and Reduced-Price School Meals and Milk Programs), included as part of this Take Stock Income Eligibility Packet. To qualify under this standard, students must receive and be verified (through a review of their current year filed IRS Tax Form 1040) as income eligible to receive Free/Reduced Price lunch (receipt of Free/Reduced Lunch without Tax verification will not be accepted).

See Table 1: Qualifying Under Free and Reduced Lunch Program /USDA Guidelines

Source: https://www.floridahealth.gov/programs-and-services/childrens-health/child-care-food-program/_documents/income-eligibility.pdf

(2) Qualified applicants must be a recipient or meet the income eligibility guidelines published annually by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). To qualify, applicants must not exceed the "Very Low Income" eligibility threshold designated by the HUD standard published annually for the county in which the student resides. Please contact our office for instructions to qualify under HUD guidelines.

(3) Qualified applicants must be a recipient of Florida Medicaid services. Medicaid eligibility in Florida is determined either by the Department of Children and Families (DCF) or the Social Security Administration (for SSI recipients). To qualify under this standard, students must currently be receiving services (through a review of their Florida Medicaid benefits) and must provide official documentation for eligibility from the Department of Children and Families (DCF) or the Social Security Administration (for SSI recipients).

(4) Qualified applicants must be a SNAP recipient. SNAP eligibility is determined by the State of Florida through the Department of Children and Families. To qualify under this standard, students must currently be receiving services and must provide official documentation for eligibility from the Department of Children and Families.

(5) In the instance the student's parents/guardian does not file Federal income taxes, the following documents can be used to verify income eligibility for the Take Stock in Children program:

a) TANF – Letter from State of Florida indicating that family has been approved to receive TANF benefit and names of household beneficiaries (the student applicant's name should be listed as part of household on the document). The date of eligibility for benefits indicated on the letter should align with the application date for the TSIC program (i.e., the student should be eligible to receive TANF benefits at the time of TSIC application).

b) Proof that the student is in Foster Care (currently active as a foster care student during the application period of TSIC).

c) Signed document on school district letterhead, from the School district's Homeless Liaison, verifying in writing that the student is homeless and qualifies for free/reduced lunch. The document date should align with the date of the TSIC application.

The following documentation IS NOT acceptable to verify eligibility for Take Stock in Children:

a) W-2s/ Social Security Statement alone – May not reflect all income and does not verify that it is same household as student.

b) Disability – May not reflect all income for household and does not verify that it is same household as student.

c) Statement of non-filing of taxes through IRS – Does not indicate that income was below the need to file, just verifies that they did not file.

d) The free/reduced lunch screen in the School District's student profile program (i.e., FOCUS).

e) Direct Certification letter from State of Florida – The letter may not be issued by all school or districts where FRL is available to all students/schools. Students who qualify to receive Direct Certification from the state (i.e.- SNAP/TANF recipients, Foster Care or Homeless youth) should be able to prove eligibility for TSIC as outlined above.