



3 or 4 year olds, Kindergarten – 12th Grade Scholarships

Gardiner Scholarship Program (formally known as **PLSA**)
For Students with specific disabilities to attend a Florida Private School or a Home education Program



Your child may qualify for a scholarship with one or more of the following disabilities:
(as defined in statue 1002.385)



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| 1. Autism Spectrum Disorder | 6. Spina Bifida |
| 2. Down Syndrome | 7. Williams Syndrome |
| 3. Cerebral Palsy | 8. Muscular Dystrophy |
| 4. Intellectual Disability | 9. A student in Kindergarten being a high-risk child |
| 5. Prader-Willi Syndrome | |



In order to qualify for the Scholarship:

- A student must be 3 or 4 years old on or before September 1st of the year the student applies for the program, **OR**
- A student entering Kindergarten must be 5 years old on or before September 1st, **OR**
- A student entering 1st grade must be 6 years old on or before September 1st. **AND**
- You must be a Florida resident, **AND**
- A student must have a written diagnosis from a licensed physician or psychologist that identifies the qualifying disabilities, **AND**
- The student may be enrolled in a private school or a home education program.



A student may not receive a Scholarship and:

- Continue to attend a Florida public school, including:
 - Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind
 - Florida Virtual School (as a public school student)
 - College-Preparatory Boarding Academy
 - A developmental research school
 - A district Charter school
 - A district virtual education program (as a public school student)
- Receive a McKay Scholarship or a Tax Credit (Income-Based) Scholarship.
- Enroll in a school operating for the purpose of providing educational services to youth in the Department of Juvenile Justice commitment programs.