



2023-2024 FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION

Boca Raton Christian School (BRCS) offers financial assistance and accepts scholarships from state-approved organizations.

To apply for financial assistance, please complete the following steps. It is recommended that families complete both steps in tandem:

1. **Florida State Scholarships:** Apply through *Step Up for Students* to determine eligibility for the Florida Tax Credit Scholarship (FTC) or the Family Empowerment Scholarship - Educational Opportunities (FES-EO).
2. **Boca Raton Christian School Financial Assistance Program:** Complete the BRCS enrollment/re-enrollment process through the FACTS Family Portal. Access to FACTS Grant and Aid for BRCS financial assistance is through the FACTS Family Portal. In FACTS, click on the FINANCIAL tab on the left. Then, on the right, under Financial Links, click Apply for Grant and Aid. The application fee is \$40. Complete the financial information requested. Ensure you have first applied for the Florida Tax Credit Scholarship through *Step Up for Students*.

Please note: FULL tuition payments are due if and until any financial aid is awarded and fully processed by BRCS.

Please see detailed information about the Florida Scholarship programs and the Boca Raton Christian School financial aid information outlined below.

Florida Tax Credit Scholarship (FTC) and the Family Empowerment Scholarship - Educational Opportunities (FES-EO) from *Step Up for Students* (SUFS)

BRCS accepts the FTC and the FES-EO from *Step Up for Students*, state-approved nonprofit scholarship-funding organizations. Funding from FTC and FES-EO scholarships is entirely independent of Boca Raton Christian School.

These Florida, K-12, income-based scholarships are on a first-come, first-served basis and are "once in, always in" scholarships; annual renewal is required. To apply, go to www.stepupforstudents.org. Under Apply/Login, go to the Scholarship for Private School and click Apply/Login. You will be prompted as a New Family or Renewal Family from there. Call Step Up at 877-735-7837 with any questions. *Step Up for Students* determines if you qualify for either scholarship program. Note: An FES-EO student may not take state-funded virtual courses without jeopardizing scholarship eligibility.

Household Income Eligibility Chart
Annual Maximum Gross Income Cap

Household Size	Annual Household Gross Income Cap
1	\$54,360
2	\$73,240
3	\$92,120
4	\$111,000
5	\$129,880
6	\$148,760

At this time, Step Up has yet to indicate when renewal applications will open or when new applications will be accepted. Please note that SUFS renewal and new award letters are issued on a first-come-first, served basis. Scholarships from FTC and FES-EO will be considered in determining if any additional BRCS financial aid will be awarded. Upon renewal or acceptance, bring your FTC or FES-EO award letter from Step Up for Students to BRCS Business Office or email a PDF of the award letter to scholarships@bocachristian.org. Please note that all information is subject to change, and always refer to www.stepupforstudents.org for the most up-to-date information.

The only eligible scholarships accepted by BRCS are through *Step Up for Students*. To learn more about these scholarships and the qualification requirements, visit: www.stepupforstudents.org.

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Financial Assistance Program – Boca Raton Christian School K5-12

Students must be enrolled or re-enrolled at BRCS to apply for financial aid through their FACTS Family Portal. To apply, follow these steps: Click on the FINANCIAL tab on the left. On the right, under Financial Links, click Apply for Grant and Aid. The application fee is \$40. Complete the financial information requested. Ensure you have first applied for the Florida Tax Credit Scholarship through *Step Up for Students*.

Kindergarten Students with an FTC, FES-EO, or FES-UA Scholarship are NOT eligible for financial aid. Students without the above may apply for financial aid.

Returning Students

Returning Students Grades 1-12 with the FTC or FES-EO scholarship may apply for financial aid. FES-UA students are NOT eligible for financial aid. The BRCS financial aid application must be completed in full and submitted to FACTS Grant and Aid by April 15, 2023, including

the tax returns of both parents if they file separately. If the financial aid application is still in the verification process, it must be verified by FACTS by April 30, 2023. A \$350 administrative fee will be charged per student to any family who does not complete the above process by April 30, 2023. This fee will be deducted from the financial aid grant if awarded.

New Students Applying for Financial Aid

New Families applying for financial aid MUST be accepted to BRCS first. The application for financial aid through FACTS must be completed within ONE WEEK of acceptance (or by April 15th if accepted before that date). Your application for the FTC scholarship must be in process when you apply for BRCS financial aid. You do not have to have your award letter before applying for BRCS financial aid. The assumed FTC scholarship will be deducted from tuition before considering the financial aid award. New families enrolling after August 1st, who apply for FTC and financial aid, will be charged a \$350 administrative fee, which will be deducted from the financial aid grant if awarded.

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