

**EDUCATIONAL IMPROVEMENT
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
2023-2024**

Dear Pennsylvania Families:

We would like to take this opportunity to let you know your family may qualify for a scholarship to help defray the cost of your child's preschool tuition. These funds have been donated by area businesses through the Educational Improvement Tax Credit program, and are administered through the Barber National Institute. Scholarship requests of \$1,000 or less will be accepted on an ongoing basis for the 2023-2024 school year until grant funds have been exhausted. Please note that there are a limited number of scholarships available and you will receive a letter of notification either way to let you know if your application has been approved or declined.

Applying for a scholarship is quick and easy, and an application and instructions are attached. Scholarships may be awarded for tuition to any pre-kindergarten program in Pennsylvania that has chosen to participate with us for this coming school year. The student must be a resident of Pennsylvania who is at least three years of age. Income eligibility will be determined from the State's household income limit calculations and our Finance Department.

"The scholarship program helps ensure that as many children as possible have access to a quality preschool. Helping all children start school ready to learn is critical to their future success and the well-being of society as a whole. We are grateful to the many businesses who have contributed to this program" -- quote from Dr. Barber-Carey.

Applications will be accepted on a first come, first serve basis for the 2023-2024 school year beginning at 10:00AM on Friday, July 28th. Please note this is a change in the submittal date from previous years. Applications will only be accepted via email and fax this year, so please plan accordingly. If we receive any applications before 10:00AM on Friday, July 28th, we will have to reject them.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Christie Laneve via email at ChristieLaneve@barberni.org. Please do not expect to receive notice of scholarship application status prior to mid-August.

Sincerely,

Maureen Barber-Carey, Ed.D.
Executive Vice President

John J. Barber
President/Chief Executive Officer

The Barber National Institute
100 Barber Place
Erie, PA 16507

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Application Completion Procedures

1. Parent/Guardian completes PART I, must be signed. (If any information is left blank it will delay the processing of your application)
2. Parent/Guardian who claimed the child on their taxes attaches a copy of the 1040 from their 2022 tax return.
3. Parent/Guardian submits completed PART I of the application along with a copy of their 1040 starting at **10:00AM on Friday, July 28th**. **Please Note: Applications are accepted on a first come first serve basis beginning at 10:00AM. Applications will not be accepted prior to this date and time.**

Approved submittal options:

- Email: ChristieLaneve@barberni.org
- Fax: (814) 454-2771

4. Any questions, email Christie Laneve at ChristieLaneve@barberni.org

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PART I

Child's Name: _____
First Middle Last

DOB: _____

Address: _____
Street City Zip

Phone: _____

Does your child have a disability or an IEP? Yes _____ No _____

Name of Preschool: _____

Parent/Guardian Information:

Married _____ Single _____ Divorced _____

Name: _____
Parent/Guardian's First Name Last Name

Address: _____
Street City Zip

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Current Employer: _____

Anticipated Cost of Pre-Kindergarten Program (Include registration fees): _____

Child Support: Yes _____ No _____ If yes, please provide amount _____

****Parent/Guardian Signature:** _____

**By signing this form you are certifying that the information provided is accurate and correct.*

***If you do not sign we cannot approve your application.*

School year applying for – 2023-2024

**** Important! The 1040 from the 2022 Federal income tax return for the parent/guardian who claimed the child must be attached to Part I in order to process your application.***