Dear friends and family,

**What's a tax credit?** A donation that reduces what you owe in Arizona State taxes. This can be up to \$2,269 (filing married) or \$1,135 (filing single) for 2019.

Why are we telling you about it? Because you can recommend a student when you make a private school tax credit donation, and we'd love it if you'd recommend ours!

## So what do you need to know?

- If you will pay Arizona income tax (or have been paying it throughout the year), you are eligible to be a donor. <u>See examples</u>.
- A tax-credit donation is different from a tax-deductible donation in that its net cost to you is ZERO. (Though you may also take a federal deduction for the calendar year in which your tax-credit donation is made.) <u>Read more</u>.
- You can determine your previous state tax liability by reviewing Line 47 on Arizona Form 140.
- Ninety percent or more of your donation goes directly to tuition scholarships.
- The Private School Tax Credit Program <u>does not</u> take money away from public schools.
- Both State Law and APESF allow you to make a *recommendation* for a specific school or student with your donation.
- Tax forms you or your accountant will complete when filing (301, 323 and possibly 348) can be found here. Need a tax preparer that can help? See APESF's list.
- You can take multiple State tax credits in one year. Find out more <u>here</u>.

**Ready to participate?** <u>Give online</u> with your credit card, or <u>download a form</u> to be sent with your check. There will be a place for your recommendation on either form.

Thanks, in advance, for your support!

Sincerely,

**A.R.S.** § 43-1089 NOTICE A school tuition organization cannot award, restrict or reserve scholarships solely on the basis of donor recommendation. A taxpayer may not claim a tax credit if the taxpayer agrees to swap donations with another taxpayer to benefit either taxpayer's own dependent.