



Redirect Your Tax Dollars to Support



Junior Achievement™
of Southeastern Pennsylvania

Pennsylvania's Educational Improvement Tax Credit ("EITC") program permits donors to claim a 90% state income tax credit for any gift to an approved Educational Improvement Organization ("EIO"). An EIO is a not-for-profit organization registered with the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development which provides educational programs, services, and initiatives that improve student achievement in Pennsylvania. Junior Achievement of Southeastern Pennsylvania is an approved EIO registered with the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development.

It costs a dime to give a dollar to Junior Achievement of Southeastern Pennsylvania

Junior Achievement of Southeastern Pennsylvania has partnered with Friends of Education to make EITC giving easy. Friends of Education provides a simple and convenient way for individuals and businesses to participate in supporting education through **Special Purpose Entities (SPE)**. By participating, individual donors can also redirect a portion of their tax dollars from Harrisburg to Junior Achievement of Southeastern Pennsylvania's EIO program. Utilizing Friends of Education's special purpose entity makes it easy for you to support education in a way that aligns with your values and interests.

Benefits for PA Businesses and Individuals who enroll will:

- Receive a state tax credit of up to 90% of their contribution.
- Receive a 10% itemized charitable deduction on their federal return.
- Directly support public education through Junior Achievement of Southeastern Pennsylvania's EIO program.
- Encourage educational opportunities for children in need.

Eligibility Requirements:

- Donors must have Pennsylvania-source income.
- Donors must be employed by, a shareholder of, a partner in or member of (i.e., own an interest in an LLC) a business that pays taxes in PA.
- Donors must be current on all state and federal tax obligations.

Tax Benefits of Your EITC Gift		
	Standard Gift	EITC Gift
Contribution	(\$5,000)	(\$5,000)
PA State Tax Credit	\$0	\$4,500
Federal Deduction	\$1,250	\$125
Out of Pocket	(\$3,750)	(\$375)

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: How does redirecting my taxes benefit education in Pennsylvania?

By redirecting your tax dollars to an EIO, you are supporting programs and initiatives that directly benefit students and improve educational outcomes in Philadelphia.

Q: What are the tax benefits to making an EITC-qualified gift? By utilizing the EITC program, it costs very little to donate a lot. This chart illustrates this highly leveraged way of giving.

Q: Does Friends of Education have a minimum contribution? Donors must make a gift of at least \$5,000 every year.

Q: How do I enroll? Junior Achievement of Southeastern Pennsylvania (JASEPA) has partnered with Friends of Education. Friends of Education manages SPE(s). A SPE is an LLC that was awarded credits by the state. Donors join this SPE by executing a joinder agreement. The joinder agreement is where you list that you want your donation to go to Junior Achievement of Southeastern Pennsylvania. After you sign the joinder, Friends of Education will remit 100% of your donation to Junior Achievement of Southeastern Pennsylvania.

NEXT STEPS

1. **Speak with your tax advisor to determine whether you are eligible to participate.**
2. **Notify Stephanie Gambone, JASEPA President and CEO, by calling 215-421-3846, or via email at stephanie.gambone@ja.org, that you intend to make an EITC gift.**
3. **Request a joinder from Friends of Education at info@pataxcredits.org.**
4. **Designate Junior Achievement of Southeastern Pennsylvania in the joinder and remit your donation.**

Start The Process TODAY!

In February every year, Friends of Education will send the Form K-1 which will enable you to report the tax credit on your prior year's Pennsylvania State Tax Return.

Don't miss out on this opportunity to make a positive impact on Philadelphia youth.