



# TAKE CONTROL OF YOUR TAX DOLLARS

As a valued supporter, we wanted to share an exciting opportunity with you to maximize your charitable impact through the Educational Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) program.

**Through this program, you can direct your PA state tax dollars to support Junior Achievement of Southeastern PA, and in return, receive a 90% tax credit when you commit to a two-year gift.** By partnering with Friends of Education, you can maximize your charitable impact through the Pennsylvania EITC program, allowing you to redirect your state tax liability directly to our organization and support educational initiatives at a fraction of the cost.

## Next Steps:

1. **Check your eligibility** with your tax specialist.
2. **Notify JA SEPA of your intent:** [amy.levine@ja.org](mailto:amy.levine@ja.org)
3. **Complete a Joinder Agreement** with Friends of Education.
4. **Make your contribution**, as outlined in the joinder agreement, to utilize credits.
5. **Receive your K-1**, reflecting your tax credit and charitable deduction

If you'd like more details or assistance with the joinder, please email contact Friends of Education at [info@pataxcredit.org](mailto:info@pataxcredit.org).



## Significant Tax Savings

Donors can receive a 90% Pennsylvania state tax credit and a 10% federal charitable deduction. Your donation costs a dime to give a dollar.



## Direct Impact on Education

Donors can direct their tax dollars to the educational program of their choice, providing vital support to students in need.



## Simplified Process

Friends of Education handles all compliance and paperwork, making it easy for donors to participate and claim their tax benefits.



JA SEPA proudly serves Greater Philadelphia,  
Berks County, and the Lehigh Valley



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The EITC program allows you to donate a lot for a small cost. The following chart illustrates the the tax benefits:

	EITC Gift	Typical Gift
Contribution	\$10,000	\$10,000
PA State Credit	(\$9,000)	\$0
Federal Deduction	\$250	\$2,500
Out of Pocket Cost	(\$750)	(\$7,500)



## Frequently Asked Questions

### How does redirecting my taxes benefit education in Pennsylvania?

By redirecting your tax dollars to an EIO, you support programs that directly benefit students and improve educational outcomes.

### What are the tax benefits of making an EITC-qualified gift?

By utilizing the EITC program, it costs very little to donate significantly.

### What is the minimum contribution?

Participation in Friends of Education requires a minimum donation of \$5,000.

**How do I enroll?** Donors join a special purpose entity (SPE) by signing a joinder agreement, which grants access to tax credits and allows them to designate a Pennsylvania approved educational organization. Once enrolled, donors send their contribution to Friends of Education who ensures the donation reaches the organization of their choice

## Benefits for Individuals

- Receive a Pennsylvania state income tax credit of up to 90% of their contribution.
- Receive a 10% federal itemized charitable deduction.
- Directly support the education organizations of their choice.
- Provide educational opportunities for young people across our region.

## Eligibility Requirements

- Donors must have Pennsylvania-sourced income, meaning they must be employed by a shareholder of, or a partner in or member of (i.e. own an interest in an LLC) a business that pays taxes in Pennsylvania.
- Donors must be current on all state and federal tax obligations.
- Donors must be prepared to make a two-year commitment of \$5,000 or more per year.