

## STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION COVERSHEET

**Take Stock in Children scholarship applicants must be in 8<sup>th</sup> grade in Marion County Public Schools and must be eligible for free/reduced lunch for their application to be considered.**

- The attached application is to determine a student's eligibility based on household income, grades, attendance, behavior & additional factors.
- **The application must be completed in blue or black INK only (not pencil).** Applicants may also type and attach their documents when applicable like the student and parent statements. The application can also be found as a fillable *pdf* on the Public Education Foundation website: [www.pefmc.org/scholarships/](http://www.pefmc.org/scholarships/). Scroll down until you find the link to Take Stock in Children.
- The application **MUST BE COMPLETE before it is submitted.** It **MUST** include the student's social security number, as well as a copy of the 2021 income taxes listing the applicant as a dependent or a copy of benefits letter from a program, like SNAP or TANF, that list the applicant as a dependent.
- The application is due on \_\_\_\_\_ to your child's middle school guidance department.
- Students will be notified of their application status by **the end of March 2023.**
- For information about Take Stock in Children, visit [www.takestockinchildren.org](http://www.takestockinchildren.org)

**Please complete this coversheet and the attached paperwork and submit to your Guidance Department on or before \_\_\_\_\_.**

Student's First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Student's Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_ Student ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Which Marion County Public high school does the student plan to attend? \_\_\_\_\_

**Has a parent, grandparent or guardian served in the military? Yes or No**

- If yes, please provide a legible copy of the DD214 with this application
- If yes, but you do not currently have a DD214, can you provide a copy to the Take Stock in Children office by December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022? **Yes or No**





# 2022-2023 Student Application

## DIRECTIONS FOR APPLICATIONS AND PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS:

Student must attend a Florida Public School or Florida Public School of Choice (Florida Virtual, Local Florida Public School District Virtual, or Florida Public Charter School.)

Parent(s)/Guardian must submit the most recent, completed taxes.

All sections of the application must be completed.

Take Stock in Children program participants receive:

- **A Scholarship**

A Florida Prepaid PROJECT STARS College Scholarship, which can be used at any **Florida public** university, college, or state vocational/technical college in Florida.

- **A Mentor**

A volunteer mentor who will meet with each student, with cooperation from the school and parent(s), to assist and encourage students to achieve and reach their full potential.

- **A College Success Coach**

Local Take Stock in Children staff will help design a college success plan and guide each student through middle and high school transition and into to College.

Date application is due: \_\_\_\_\_

Please contact \_\_\_\_\_ at (telephone/email) \_\_\_\_\_  
if you have any questions about this application.

## EQUAL OPPORTUNITY POLICY

Take Stock in Children is an equal opportunity organization and complies with all applicable federal, state, and local non-discrimination laws. Take Stock in Children strictly prohibits and does not tolerate discrimination against students, mentors, applicants, or any other covered persons because of race, color, religion, creed, national origin or ancestry, ethnicity, sex (including pregnancy), sexual orientation, gender (including gender nonconformity and gender identity), marital status, age, physical or mental disability, citizenship, past, current, or prospective service in the uniformed services, genetic information, or any other characteristic protected under applicable federal, state, or local law. All Take Stock in Children employees, other workers, and representatives are prohibited from engaging in unlawful discrimination. Take Stock in Children will reasonably accommodate qualified individuals with a disability as required by law. Take Stock in Children will also, where appropriate, provide reasonable accommodations for an individual's religious beliefs or practices. Finally, no one will be subject to, and Take Stock in Children prohibits, any form of discipline, reprisal, intimidation, or retaliation for good faith reports or complaints of incidents of discrimination of any kind, pursuing any discrimination claim, or cooperating in related investigations.

**Take Stock in Children Application**

**ALL sections of application must be completed AND ALL requested documents submitted for student applicant to be considered for acceptance into the Take Stock in Children program.**

**SECTION A: Student Identification Information**

Student ID # \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security # (Mandatory) \_\_\_\_\_  
(First, Last, MI)

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Student Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Student E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Apt. # \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street)

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Check if Student Mailing Address is same as home address listed above. If not, enter Mailing Address below:

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Apt. # \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street)

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

**How do you (the student) identify?**

Gender:  Female  Male  Gender Diverse

Student Race:  American Indian/Native American  Asian  Black/African-American  
 Multiracial  Pacific Islander/Hawaiian  White  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

Student Ethnicity: Is the student of Hispanic origin?  Yes  No

**The Florida Prepaid College Foundation Scholarship Requirements:**

Does the student have a Social Security #?  Yes  No

Is the student a U.S. Citizen?  Yes  No

Is the student a resident alien?  Yes  No

Does the student have a Florida Prepaid College Plan?  Yes  No

**SECTION B: Household Information**

Parent/Guardian (1) \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security # (Optional) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (First, Last, MI)

Parent (1) Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent (1) E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Last Grade Completed in School \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian (2) \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security # (Optional) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (First, Last, MI)

Parent (2) Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent (2) E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Last Grade Completed in School \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant lives with:  Mother  Stepmother  Grandmother  
 Guardian  Father  Stepfather  Grandfather  
 Ward of Court  Other

Number of brothers \_\_\_\_\_ Number of sisters \_\_\_\_\_

Please list all persons living in the home other than student/applicant:

Name	Age	Relationship	Highest Level Of Education
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Does applicant have a sibling or member of the household currently or previously involved in the Take Stock in Children Program?  Yes  No

If yes, include name of current/ previous Take Stock in Children participant and include relation to applicant:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relation: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Independent siblings living outside the home:**

Name	Age	Relationship	Currently Attending School (Check One)		Last Grade Completed
_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	_____
_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	_____
_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	_____
_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	_____
_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	_____

**SECTION C: Employment Information**

Parent/Guardian's Current Employer:

Name of Parent/Guardian (1): \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Employer: \_\_\_\_\_  
(street, city, zip)

Number of years with Current Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Gross Monthly Salary \_\_\_\_\_  
(Before taxes and deductions)

Parent/Guardian's Current Employer

Name of Parent/Guardian (2): \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Employer: \_\_\_\_\_  
(street, city, zip)

Number of years with Current Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Gross Monthly Salary \_\_\_\_\_  
(Before taxes and deductions)

**SECTION D: Financial Information**

What is your household income? \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Are you eligible to receive any social service? (TANF, SNAP, Medicaid, etc.)  Yes  No

Please check the services you currently receive:

Welfare/TANF  Food Stamps/SNAP  Medicaid

Are you currently receiving assistance from your local CareerSource Development Office?  Yes  No

Do you receive income from any other source for this student/applicant? (Social Security, child support, unemployment, etc.?)  Yes  No

If Yes, please list type of support and amount per month:

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Do you or the student/applicant have a savings account?  Yes  No

Approximate balance: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Do you own your own home?  Yes  No

If yes, what is amount of your monthly payment? \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, how much did your house cost? \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Do you rent?  Yes  No

If yes, what is the amount of your monthly payment? \$ \_\_\_\_\_

How long at current address? \_\_\_\_\_

**A complete copy of the most recent filed tax return Form 1040 must be attached with the student applicant listed as a dependent on the tax return in order to be eligible for consideration. (If you did not file taxes, please contact your local TSIC program).**

**SECTION E: Student Information (To be completed by student)**

**Student's Career Field(s) of Interest** (check all that apply):

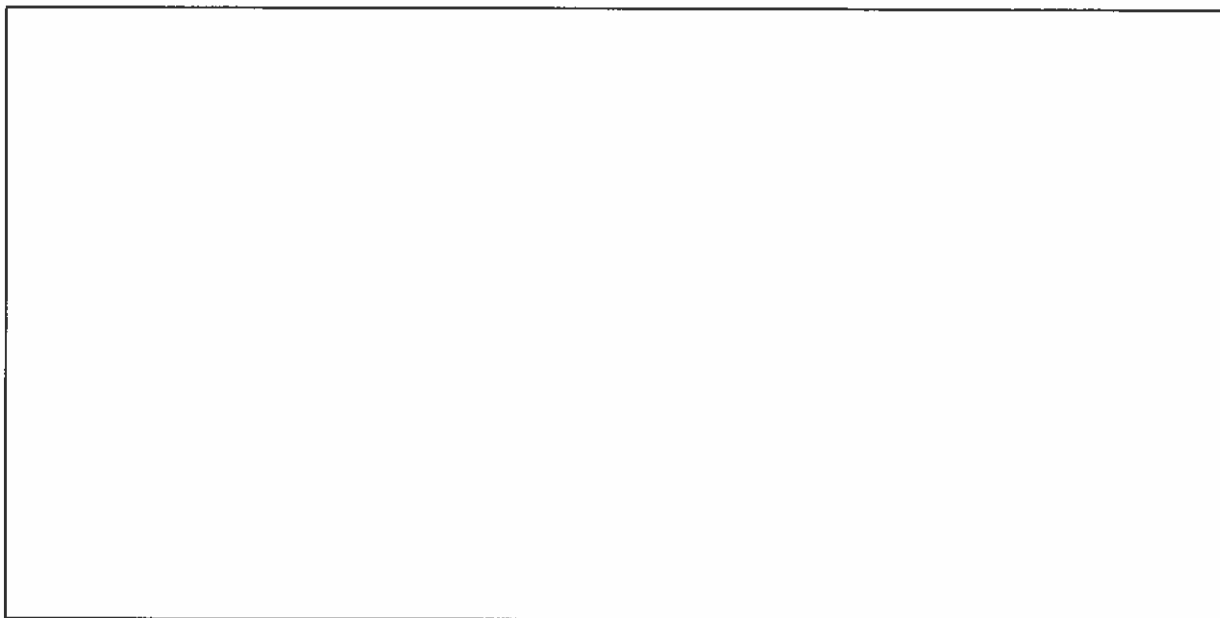
- Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources
- Architecture and Construction
- Arts, Audio/Video Technology and Communications
- Business, Management, and Administration
- Education and Training
- Energy
- Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics
- Finance
- Government and Public Administration
- Health Science
- Hospitality and Tourism
- Human Services
- Information Technology
- Law, Public Safety, and Security
- Manufacturing
- Marketing, Sales, and Service
- Military
- Transportation, Distribution, and Logistics

**Hobbies/Interests:** Which of the following activities do you enjoy participating in or watching?  
(Check all that apply)

- Sports (specifically, \_\_\_\_\_)
- Handicrafts (specifically, \_\_\_\_\_)
- Outdoor Life     Mechanics/Science     Literature     Pop Culture (Movies, TV, etc.)
- Music     Collecting     Other \_\_\_\_\_

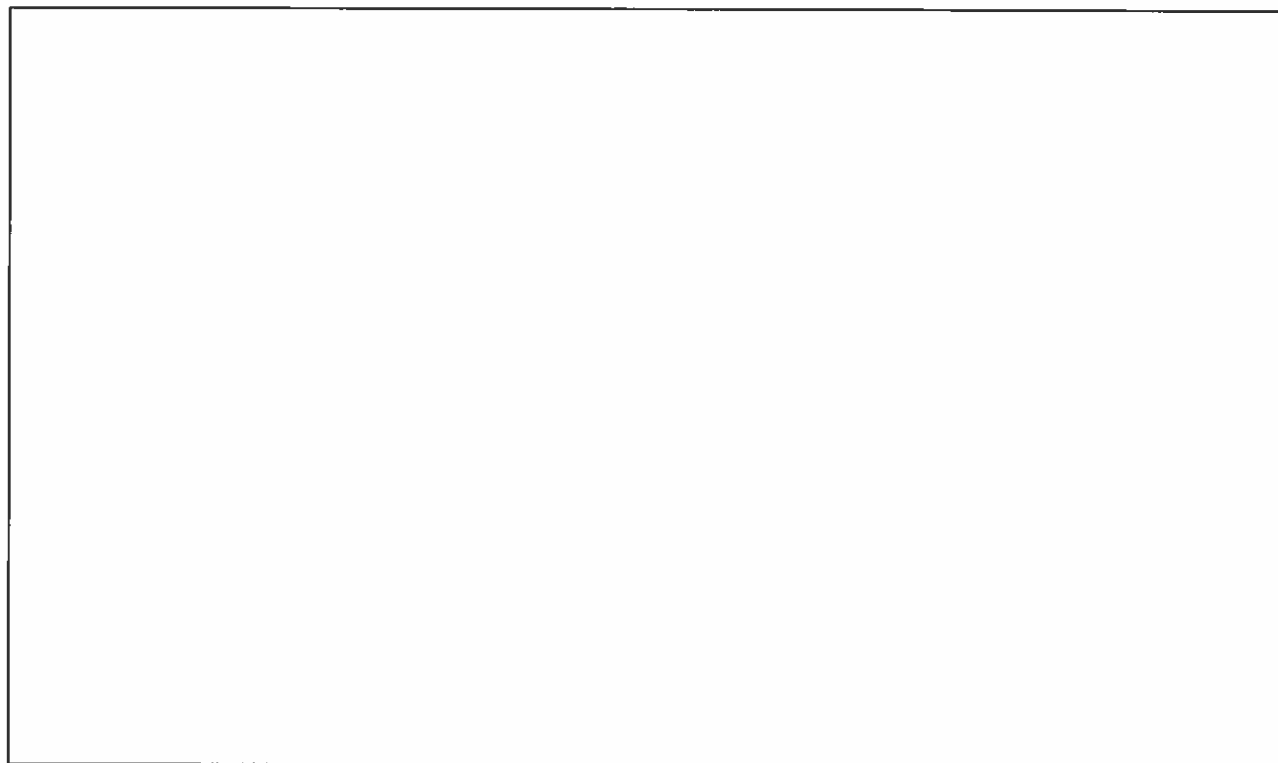


List activities, interests, strengths, hobbies or awards you have received (church, school, community, work experience, etc.)



**Student Statement**

Please tell us about your goals, aspirations and hopes for your future (attach another sheet if needed).



**SECTION F: Parent/Guardian Statement (To be completed by parent(s)/guardian(s))**

Apart from financial considerations, how could this program benefit your child? Please include your goals, aspirations and hopes for your child's future (attach another sheet if needed).

Please list all special family situations that might be relevant to school success (serious illness in the family, loss of employment, Department of Children and Families involvement, homelessness, etc.).

The factors listed below are used to determine your eligibility, please check all that apply:

- Student attends low-performing school (D or F rated school)
- Single parent
- Incarcerated parent
- Deceased parent
- Absent parent (no contact or support)
- Poor relations between biological parents
- Department of Children and Families involvement
- Extended family in home
- Extended family raising student
- Student applicant is teen parent
- Parent was teen parent
- Family has received TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families) benefits within last year
- Student is first in the family to complete high school
- Migrant worker
- English not spoken in home
- Loss of employment
- Home in foreclosure
- Homeless or living with extended family or friends
- Serious illness in household
- Disabled student or family member
- Student is or has been in foster care
- First-Generation college student (neither parent has earned a baccalaureate degree or higher)
- Other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

I understand that the information contained in this application is accurate and will be managed and implemented by the Local TSIC Lead Agency/TSIC Program and shared with the Local Lead Agency selection committee. I also certify that all information in this application is truthful and accurate and that I understand that any false information in this application may result in my child losing his or her eligibility in the program.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**\*Submission of this application does not guarantee scholarship award\***

**For TSIC Program Official Use only:**

Application Reviewed

Meets TSIC Programmatic Eligibility

Meets TSIC Income Eligibility

Does Not Meet TSIC Programmatic Eligibility

Does Not Meet TSIC Income Eligibility

\_\_\_\_\_  
Local Program Staff Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date