

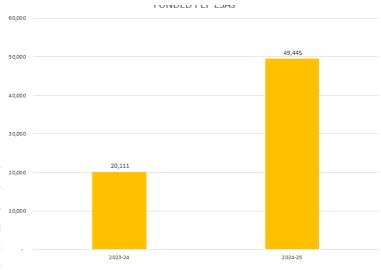
Florida's Personalized Education Program

2024-25 STEP UP FAST FACTS

49,445 funded PEP students

64% White, 23% Hispanic, 8% Black, 3% Multi-Racial, 2% Asian

Florida is a national leader in providing diverse educational options. In 2023, Florida became the first state to offer Education Savings Accounts (ESAs) to all students in home-based learning environments. The Personalized Education Program (PEP) now serves nearly 50,000



students statewide. This makes PEP the largest ESA program of its kind in the United States. Eligible students have access to an education savings account that can be used to pay testing fees, textbooks, curriculum, digital materials, tutoring, part-time tuition or tuition at a hybrid school or postsecondary education institution.

TOP 10 PEP COUNTIES

Hillsborough:	3,232
Palm Beach:	2,779
Broward:	2,598
Orange:	2,541
Duval:	2,519
Polk:	2,269
Brevard:	2,047
Miami-Dade:	1,948
Volusia:	1,839
Pasco:	1,730

TESTING AND CCOUNTABILITY

- PEP students in grades K-12 must take a state-approved <u>nationally norm-refenced</u> <u>test</u>. Students with special needs may be exempt from this requirement. Parents and guardians must report scores to the scholarship funding organization before renewing the scholarship.
- PEP parents and guardians must create a <u>Student Learning Plan</u> (SLP) annually, and submit the plan to renew the scholarship.

For the 2024-25 SCHOOL YEAR, the SCHOLARSHIP values vary by grade and county, but average between \$7,700 and \$8,500. Renewal students are grandfathered into the old formula, but will receive the higher of the two amounts.