

Gadsden District Department of
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2019-2020 Reading Scholarship Accounts

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What is the Reading Scholarship?

The Reading Scholarship Account is available for student in grades 3, 4 or 5 who scored Level 1 or 2 on the FSA ELA in the 2018 – 2019 school year. The student must be enrolled in the public school system. A student who is in the EL (ESOL) Program is eligible.

How much is the Reading Scholarship?

A scholarship is worth \$500.

How can a parent apply for the Reading Scholarship?

Parents must apply directly by submitting an application to one of the Scholarship Funding Organizations at <https://www.stepupforstudents.org/for-parents/reading-scholarship/how-the-scholarship-works/> . For the 2019-20 school year, Step Up For Students is the only organization administering the program. Contact them at StepUpForStudents.org or call the hotline at 877-735-7837.

What is covered under the scholarship?

Qualifying reimbursements include:

- Tuition and fees for part-time tutoring by a Florida-certified teacher, a person holding a BS or higher degree in the subject being tutored, an adjunct certified teacher or has demonstrated mastery of the subject area knowledge (VAM scores)
- Fees for summer education programs designed to improve reading or literacy skills
- Fees for after-school education programs designed to improve reading or literacy skills (i.e. Sylvan)
- Instructional materials and curriculum related to reading or literacy

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