

Family Empowerment Scholarship for Students with Unique Abilities (Gardiner Scholarship)

The Bilgrav School
2023-2024 School Year

Family Empowerment Scholarship for Students with Unique Abilities (Formerly Known as the Gardiner Scholarship)
And all former McKay Scholarship recipients will now be switched to the FES-UA.

FES-UA - Family Empowerment Scholarship for Students with Unique Abilities (formerly known as the Gardiner Scholarship) is for students who are Florida residents three years old through 12th grade in an eligible Florida private school or home education program who have been diagnosed with a specific disability, such as Autism Spectrum Disorder, Intellectual Disability, etc. To see a complete list of the disabilities and to learn more about this scholarship please visit StepUpForStudents.org or call [1-877-735-7837](tel:1-877-735-7837).

At this time, first, second, third and fourth quarter funds (100% of the student's award amount) have not been added to the website.

NOTE: If your child currently has this scholarship, please call Carla at (561) 619-8838 or email her at Carla@Bilgravschool.org

Congratulations on your Step Up for Students Scholarship.

Here are some tips to better serve you. Please read them carefully.

Registration

- In-order for us to register your Step Up for Students (SUFS) Scholarship with our school, you must have an acceptance letter from The Bilgrav School
- If you have any questions, please contact Carla at (561) 619-8838 or email Carla@Bilgravschool.org to register your scholarship.
- You must have your award letter from Step Up for Students when you call/email.

Tuition Payments

- Please contact Carla at (561) 619-8838 or email Carla@Bilgravschool.org to verify your monthly payment amount.

Check Endorsement

- Once your check has arrived you will be contacted via email and/or phone.
- You must come in and endorse your check in a timely manner.
- All checks must be endorsed within seven (7) business days from the time you have been contacted. Your account will be assessed with a \$25 late fee should you fail to endorse your check within seven (7) business days.
- Checks must be endorsed only by the person whose name is on the check.
- Checks cannot be sent home.
- The scholarship funds are collected on a quarterly basis. To view your SUFS disbursement schedule please login into your account.

Attendance

- SUFS contacts The Bilgrav School every quarter to verify attendance and tuition payments.
- The Bilgrav School must verify that your child has at least 95% attendance and you are making your monthly payments in a timely manner, in-order to keep your scholarship in good standing. Please keep this in mind when making decisions regarding vacations, sick days and monthly payments. Being delinquent on your account may jeopardize your scholarship.
- If your student is absent, please call Carla at (561) 619-8838 or email at Carla@Bilgravschool.org
- Each family is responsible for all other tuition payments and fees (i.e., Registration Fee, Activity Fee, Re-enrollment Fee, uniforms, etc.)

Scholarship Renewal

- Your SUFS Scholarship must be renewed on a yearly basis.
- It is your responsibility to do all the necessary paperwork and submit it to Step Up for Students (we will help you if needed - please contact Carla at (561) 619-8838).
in a timely manner to renew your scholarship.
- Award amounts may change when renewing; please be sure to check how much your student was awarded.
- It is your responsibility to turn in your Award Letter from SUFS to Carla, in a timely manner.

Questions - Please contact Carla at (561) 619-8838 or email Carla@Bilgravschool.org
If you would like to contact Step Up for Students directly, please call them at (877) 735-7837.