



We are writing to inform you about two scholarship programs available to students with disabilities: the Jon Peterson Special Needs (JPSN) Scholarship Program and the Autism Scholarship Program. These programs can offer valuable educational opportunities for your child.

What are the Scholarship Programs?

- **Jon Peterson Special Needs (JPSN) Scholarship Program:** This program provides financial assistance for students with any qualifying disability who have an Individualized Education Program (IEP) from their district. The scholarship amount varies based on the primary disability identified on the student's Evaluation Team Report (ETR).
- **Autism Scholarship Program:** This program specifically supports students diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) who have an IEP. It allows them to attend a special education program at an alternative public provider or a registered private provider.

Benefits of the Scholarship Programs:

- **Choice and Flexibility:** You may be able to find a program that best meets your child's individual needs and learning style.
- **Specialized Services:** Programs may offer specialized staff and resources tailored to address your child's specific disability.
- **Continued IEP Implementation:** The scholarship allows your child's IEP to be implemented at the new program.

Who is Eligible?

To be eligible for either program, your child must:

- Have a current IEP from your district of residence.
- Meet the specific eligibility criteria of each program (available on the Ohio Department of Education website).

How to Learn More:

We encourage you to explore these programs further if you believe your child may benefit. Here are some resources to help you:

- **Ohio Department of Education website:** <https://education.ohio.gov/Topics/Other-Resources/Scholarships/Jon-Peterson-Special-Needs-Scholarship>
- **Contact Information:**
 - Jon Peterson Scholarship Program: 1-877-644-6338 (toll-free)
 - Autism Scholarship Program: Contact your local school district or the Ohio Department of Education.

Important Note: These scholarship programs are an option for families seeking alternative educational settings. We encourage you to discuss the programs with your child's Individualized Education Program (IEP) team to determine if it is the right choice for your child.

We are committed to providing a strong education for all students, and we hope this information is helpful. Please do not hesitate to reach out to the school with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

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