

TO: **PENNSYLVANIA** FAMILIES K-8  
RE: SCHOLARSHIP ASSISTANCE

Dear Parents,

Bethany Christian School is asking that Pennsylvania families who apply for *financial aid* apply for **both** FFNA (Bethany's scholarship program) **and** the PA EITC Scholarship. The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania offers a tuition aid program to PA residents called EITC (Educational Improvement Tax Credit). Applying to both programs will provide you with more opportunity for aid and enable us to distribute available funds more equitably.

EITC is available to families who meet the following guidelines:

One dependent child, you may make a total family income of \$60,000	
Two children	\$70,000
Three children	\$80,000
Four children	\$90,000 etc.

For eligibility, please count all dependent children in your household, not just Bethany students.

***These are not the same guidelines that FFNA uses.***

EITC funds are available to PA residents only. If you are eligible for EITC funds (based on the above guidelines) and are applying for tuition assistance with FFNA, please also complete and return the form below. Please attach to the form a copy of page 1 of your 2009 1040 Federal Tax Return along with copies of all 2009 W-2s listed on the 1040. If you are self-employed, you must attach a copy of your Schedule C. ***This must be returned to the Business Office at Bethany no later than April 1, 2010.*** Without page 1 of your 1040 and the W-2s, you cannot be considered. ***Please note, FFNA must also be filed by April 1, 2010.***

The amount of EITC funds available to Bethany Christian School varies each year. Completing this application process gives you the opportunity to be considered throughout the 2010-11 school year for assistance as funds become available. Decisions for the funds we have available could be made as early as May, 2010. If your SMART tuition payments begin in May, your account will be adjusted once financial aid is awarded.

Please call Linda Borcky or Linda Comyns (610)998-9827 or Roxanne Holcomb (610)998-0877 with any questions you may have. Please make sure the information comes to us in a sealed envelope to ensure complete confidentiality. If you send the EITC information with your child, please call one of us to confirm that we received it.

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**EITC ELIGIBILITY FORM (list all dependents below)**

Parent's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name/Grade/Age 1. \_\_\_\_\_  
2. \_\_\_\_\_  
3. \_\_\_\_\_  
4. \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO ATTACH COPIES OF YOUR 2009 1040 AND W-2 FORMS**

