Iowa Lutheran School Tuition Organization (STO)

2018 Donation Form

Gifts to the STO must be dated December 31, 2018 or earlier to be eligible for the tax credit. Total credits available are limited and will be provided to donors on a first-come, first-served basis. You will receive a tax credit certificate from the STO in January, 2019, to attach to your lowa income tax return.

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Please apply my gift to one or more of the	following Lutheran schools (check appropriate box
Trinity Lutheran School, BooneTrinity Lutheran School, Cedar RapidsValley Lutheran School, Cedar FallsClarinda Lutheran School, ClarindaDubuque Lutheran School, DubuqueTrinity Lutheran School, DavenportZion Lutheran School, Denison Community Lutheran School, Readlyn	St. Paul Lutheran School, Fort DodgeSt. Paul Lutheran School, LatimerCentral Lutheran School, NewhallZion-St. John Lutheran School, PaullinaSt. Paul Lutheran School, Sioux Citylowa Great Lakes Lutheran School, SpencerLutheran Interparish School, Williamsburg Where needed most

The designation of any gift shall be limited to the definition of an eligible student by the Code of lowa and the criteria established by the Board of the lowa Lutheran School Tuition Organization. If designated funds are not used for the designated school because of the lack of eligible students. Those funds will be allocated to eligible students throughout the lowa Lutheran STO schools.

Check should be made out to lowa Lutheran STO Please mail completed Donation Form and payment to:

IOWA LUTHERAN STO, PO BOX 176, TERRIL, IA 51364 The deadline for 2019-20 school year donations will be December 31st, 2018.

IOWA LUTHERAN SCHOOL TUITION ORGANIZATION

A student tuition organization is Iowa's answer to assisting students to attend the school of their choice – not necessarily their local public schools. Your local Lutheran school provides just such a choice for church and community members. The LCMS schools of Iowa have come together to form this organization – a 501c(3) not for profit organization. Anyone who pays Iowa state income tax can donate and receive the tax benefits.

Who is in charge of the Iowa Lutheran STO?

There is a seven member Board of Directors who set policy for the organization and oversee the proper dollar allocations. The board has employed one program manager for the state of Iowa.

Contact: Dewey Torkelson

Home: 712-853-6547 Cell: 712-260-2991

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Who may receive the Iowa tax benefit?

Anyone who is obligated to complete an Iowa state income tax return may receive the tax credit. It is not limited to members of Lutheran congregation. Anyone can donate and receive the tax benefits. C Corporations, S Corporations, Iowa 1065 (partnerships), and LLC Corporations are eligible for 2017 donations. Credits are also available for estates or trusts, either on Iowa 1041 or when income is passed down to beneficiaries.

The benefits to the donor are:

- Seeing more children able to attend our Lutheran schools that they may have Jesus in their lives every day.
- Knowing families may not be struggling quite so much because of increasing tuition rates and their commitment to sending their children to a participating Lutheran School.
- 65% tax credit on Iowa income tax. What does this really mean? It means that you could donate \$1000 and receive \$650 reduction on your Iowa Income Taxes.
- Qualifies as a Charitable Deduction on your Federal Tax Return.

The process for donating is as follows:

- Pick up a donor form at a Lutheran school, download one from the website: <u>www.iowalutheransto.org</u>, or contact Dewey Torkelson at 712-260-2991. Get an extra form for friends and family.
- Send your donation and the form to: ILSTO, PO BOX 176, TERRIL, IA 51364.
- You will receive an acknowledgement of your gift which you need for your federal taxes to claim a charitable deduction and a certificate to file with your Iowa state income tax return.

The Goal for this year is \$806,529. Please consider making a donation to help our Lutheran elementary and secondary students in Iowa! Many donors receive 80-100% of their donation back between state tax credit & federal charitable deduction! Call for more information.