



## **State Coalition Scholarships for the 2024 Jump\$tart NEC**

### **Procedure**

Beginning last year, the national Jump\$tart Coalition adopted a new method for awarding teacher scholarships on behalf of our State Coalitions.

As in the past, we will award up to two scholarships on behalf of each of our affiliated State Coalitions; however, those scholarship recipients will now be selected from among qualified applicants in the main pool – that is, those who have applied through the [jumpstart.org](http://jumpstart.org) website.

No action (or money) is required from the State Coalitions; though we hope you will encourage teachers from your state to apply. Teachers selected to receive State Coalition Scholarships will be notified that you are their benefactor and we will be happy to share the names of your scholarship recipients with you, once they have been selected.

### **Why the Change in 2023?**

A number of our State Coalitions had begun to opt out of selecting their own recipients and many of the ones who were still doing it were scrambling to get their selections to us by deadline. Based on your feedback, the national Jump\$tart team determined we could handle the selection process for everyone, but still give each State Coalition the credit for scholarships in their state.

### **What if We Want to Select Our Own Recipients?**

National Jump\$tart has never asked state affiliates to raise money for, or otherwise fund, the National Educator Conference. We appreciate all that you do already! But, a number of State Coalitions provide additional teacher scholarships because they want to and that will continue to be an option. If you plan to fund additional teacher scholarships on your own (cost is \$1,500 per teacher) – and select the recipients however you choose – please contact [Daniel.Hebert@jumpstart.org](mailto:Daniel.Hebert@jumpstart.org) and let him know how many additional scholarships you plan to provide complying with the deadlines for making the commitment and providing us their names.

Please contact [Variny.Yim@jumpstart.org](mailto:Variny.Yim@jumpstart.org) or [Daniel.Hebert@jumpstart.org](mailto:Daniel.Hebert@jumpstart.org) if you have additional questions. *Thank you, as always, for all that you do!*