



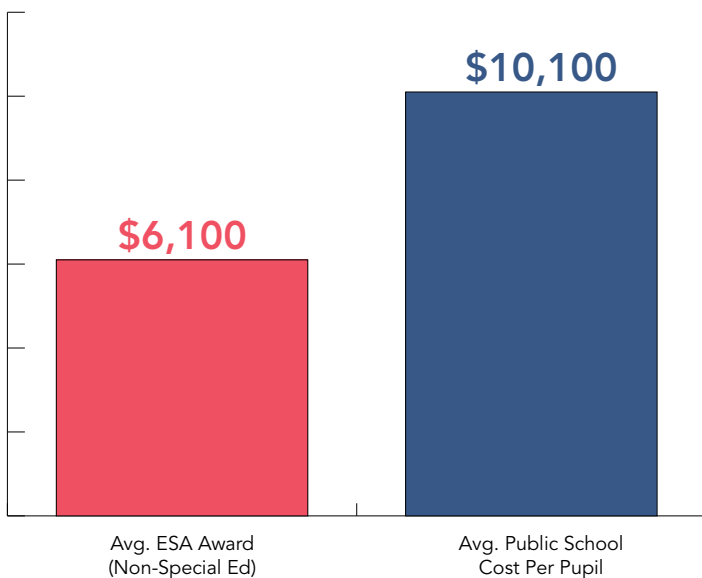
How Empowerment Scholarship Accounts Help Arizona Students

Empowerment Scholarship accounts (ESAs) take a portion of what taxpayers would have spent covering the cost of a student's education in a K-12 public school and deposit that money into a personalized account that allows the child's family to use the funds for tutoring, educational therapies, private school tuition, curriculum materials, and other teaching tools.

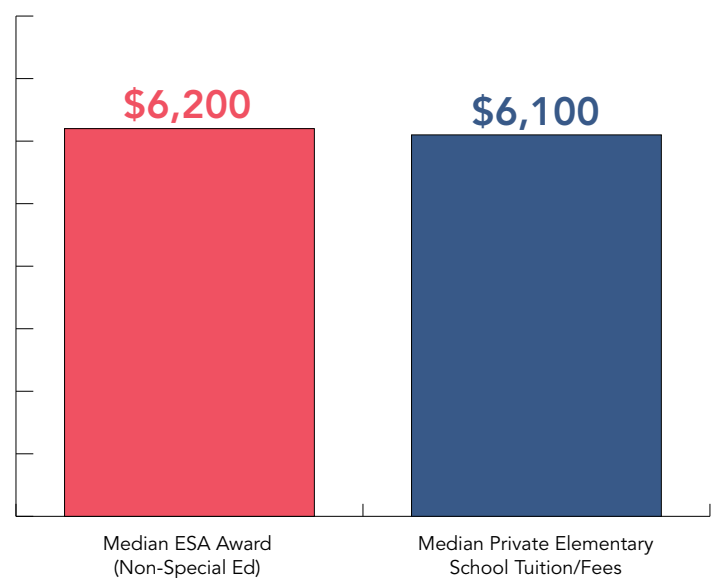
⇒ ESAs serve **6,400+** of Arizona's most vulnerable students, including:

- ✓ Special Needs Kids
- ✓ Military Families
- ✓ Foster / Adopted Children
- ✓ Native American Tribes
- ✓ Kids in D- and F-rated schools

ESAs save taxpayers \$1,000s per student



ESAs can cover tuition 100% at private elementary schools in AZ





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- ⇒ **ESAs can give special needs students \$25,000+ per year** while still saving taxpayers money compared to public school costs.

- ⇒ **ESAs serve over 800 students from military families** — the single largest group of ESA beneficiaries outside of special needs children.

- ⇒ **99% of ESA funds are used by families as intended.** ESAs have a far lower rate of improper payments than other government initiatives like the National School Lunch and Breakfast Programs.

- ⇒ **ESAs increase public school per pupil funding** by giving back over \$600 per participant to public schools via the Classroom Site Fund and other state dollars.

- ⇒ **ESAs give hope to those without options.**
 - ❑ More than 400 students from Native American reservations are using an ESA. In these communities, public school spending can reach \$16,000 per student while still offering only D- and F-rated public schools.

- ⇒ **ESAs are helping low-income communities.** ESAs serve higher and lower income communities in the same proportions as public schools overall.
 - ⇒ The three districts with the highest concentrations of ESA students have child poverty rates as high as 46%, more than double the state average.