Step Up for Students has an entirely NEW process to apply for and/or renew your scholarships for the 2023-24 school year. **PLEASE APPLY TODAY!** All Florida students are eligible for scholarships, but the money will run out. Guardian Catholic will accept students with the Florida Tax Credit Scholarship (FTC) and the Family Empowerment Scholarship for Educational Options (FES-EO).

Please be advised that in order to receive an award, you must provide the student's social security number. If you skip putting in the SSN, you will not get an award.

RENEWAL: Renewal students are those who utilized the FTC/FES-EO scholarship for the 2022-23 school year. Click here: **I have a renewal student**

NEW: You are a new family for the 2023-24 school year if your student did not utilize this scholarship for the 2022-23 school year. Click here: **I have a new student**

SEND SCREENSHOTS TO MRS. HICE TWICE. IN THE SUBJECT LINE OF THE EMAIL, PUT CHILD'S NAME AND STATUS
 1) **To confirm that you have APPLIED and to let us know your STATUS (Submitted, Completed, Awarded)**
 2) **To confirm that you have been AWARDED and to send us the page showing each student's Award ID.**
You will need to monitor EMA DAILY to see if your status has changed. You will not be notified by email of a Status Change—the only way you'll know it changed is to check your EMA portal daily!

DIRECTIONS FOR TAKING SCREENSHOTS:
The screenshots many of you are sending do not have complete information; for example, it may not show the parent name or the student name or the Award ID. Please help us save valuable time by doing the following:
 1. Go to the screen "My Application."
 2. Locate "APPLICATION STATUS". Below those words, you will see one of the following words: "Submitted," "Complete", or "Awarded." Click on that word! It will take you to a screen "Application Details."
 3. Take a screenshot of the "Application Details" page and email it to Mrs. Hice at jhice@guardiancatholic.com. In the subject line of the email, put child's name and status.
 4. Continue to monitor EMA daily until your status changes to **"Awarded."**
 5. Find the page that lists each of your students by name; click on the word "View" next to the student's name. That will open a screen showing the student's Award ID and other identifying information. Take a screenshot of THAT page and email it to Mrs. Hice at jhice@guardiancatholic.com. In the subject line of the email, put child's name and status.