

# CHS Arizona Academy Approved Spending Categories



The Empowerment Scholarship Account allows parents to make the educational choices that best serve their students' needs. This includes allowing for a diverse range of approved expenses in order to appropriately educate your student(s). Below is a list of approved expense categories and a description of each.

## Textbooks & Supplementary Materials

Almost all textbooks and supplementary educational materials are covered by the ESA. **For example:** audio books, art supplies, STEM kits, board games, dictionaries, educational software, and school desk would be covered. For a more detailed list, [click here](#).

## Tutoring Services

All fees associated with a tutor or teaching service that is provided by an individual or business with the approved credentials outlined below:

- **Individual:** must have a high school diploma or higher degree
- **Facility:** Must be accredited by a state, regional, or national accrediting organization

## Laptop Computer & Technological Devices

This includes calculators, personal computers, laptops, tablet devices, microscopes, telescopes, and printers. The following list of items however are **not** approved: video games, televisions, home audio/theatre systems, and telephones.

## Gym Membership

A student gym membership is allowed under the ESA; however, a family membership is not.

## Dual Credit Courses

If you would like your students to get a head start on college than you can sign them up for dual credit courses. Dual credit courses are where students earn both high school credit and college credit in the same course. Dual credit tuition is also covered by the ESA.

## Public Transportation Services

This includes a commuter pass for a qualified student or transportation network services between the student's home and a qualified school in which they are currently enrolled in.

## Testing Fees

You can also use your funds to pay for your student to participate in norm-referenced achievement tests. Additionally, prep courses for these exams are covered as well.