

## BOOST – Parent-Child Success (PCS) Scholarships Eligibility Criteria

After completion of your phone interview, we will require the following documents to complete your approval process for the scholarship. Do not send these documents until a member of QCC sends instructions.

Requirement	Description	PCS Description	PCS Verification Documents
<b>Residency</b>	Families must be Georgia residents.	<p>The legal guardian and children must live in the same household within the Washington or Douglass High School clusters in the city of Atlanta.</p> <p>The household may be eligible for living in zip codes 30314 or 30318.</p>	<p>Current Georgia government issued driver's license or identification card</p> <p>Plus 1 of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Current lease or mortgage statement</li> <li>• Wage stubs with residence address</li> <li>• Current utility bill (no mobile bill)</li> </ul> <p><b>This is verified every 6 months.</b></p>
<b>Child's age</b>	Children must be 4-years old or younger.	<p>Children are eligible for PCS from infancy until they are eligible for Georgia's Pre-K.</p> <p>A child is eligible for the Georgia Pre-K Program when the child turns four years of age on September 1.</p> <p>Once the child starts Georgia Pre-K, Head Start or Early Head Start, the child is no longer eligible for Boost assistance.</p>	<p>Birth certificate, court records or U.S. passport for each eligible child.</p> <p>In certain cases, a Confirmation of Birth form may be accepted.</p>
<b>Proof of identity</b>	Parents must provide proof of their identity.	Parents must provide proof of their identity.	<p>Preferred: Federal or state issued photo identification card</p> <p>Alternates: Social Security award letter, voter registration card</p>
<b>Income</b>	The family's gross applicable income cannot exceed 85% of the state median income.	The family's gross applicable income must be below 85% of the state median income (SMI) upon start of Boost funding.	<p>Pay stubs for the most recent four weeks of income or a letter from the employer on business letterhead.</p> <p>Income Eligibility Statements are completed by families each year.</p> <p><b>This is verified every 12 months from the first month child care starts. If there is a change to the household size, the 12-months of funding cycle expires 12 months from the original effective date.</b></p>

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<b>CAPS subsidy</b>	Documentation if the recipient is currently receiving the Child and Parent Service child care subsidy through the state of Georgia	Participants should have documentation of CAPS status. Children in the CAPS program are not eligible to participate in PCS.	<p>Acceptance or rejection letter of CAPS participation</p> <p>This letter is typically mailed.</p>

## Privacy

Quality Care for Children will store printed and electronic copies of most of the verification documents. Printed copies of identification and Income Eligibility Statement will be stored in a locked storage that is only accessible by staff. Staff will conduct a verification process that includes two-person review with confirming signatures from both staff members.

## Residence Verification

The Atlanta Public School mapping software, WebQuery, will be used to verify residence addresses are within the school zones of Washington High School and Douglass High School.

<http://aps-edulog.apsk12.org/livewebsa/webquery/WebQueryRequestController>

## Income Eligibility

The threshold for initial eligibility is 85% of the state median income (SMI). SMI is updated by the federal government prior to the beginning of each fiscal year (October 1). The SMI data in this chart is effective October 1 of each year. This threshold is established by QCC and is subject to change.