FINANCIAL ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES 2025-26 APPLICATION CYCLE

Take Stock in Children (TSIC) requires that every student's financial situation be examined closely at the time the student's application is evaluated. All applicants should provide their **completed 2024 IRS Tax Form 1040** as verification of income showing total income. The tax return provided must include the student as a dependent. Eligibility is determined by calculating the total number of dependents and household size as well as the Total Family Income (Line 9).

All students must qualify under at least one of the options outlined below:

- 1 Free and Reduced Lunch program / USDA Income Eligibility
- 2 HUD Documentation / HUD Income Eligibility
- 3 Medicaid Recipient Documentation
- 4 SNAP or TANF Recipient Documentation
- 5 Other see below.

In the event that the student's parents/guardian **DOES NOT** file Federal income taxes, the following documents **CAN BE USED** to verify income eligibility for the TSIC program:

- TANF Letter from the State of Florida
- Proof that the student is in Foster Care
- Signed document on school district letterhead, from the district Homeless Liaison, verifying that the student is homeless

Failure to provide the supporting financial eligibility documentation will result in your student's application being deemed as ineligible.

INCOME ELIGIBILITY

Household Size	USDA Annual Income	HUD	
		Lake	Sumter
1	\$28,953	\$36,900	\$33,450
2	\$39,128	\$42,150	\$38,250
3	\$49,303	\$47,450	\$43,050
4	\$59,478	\$52,700	\$47,800
5	\$69,653	\$56,950	\$51,650
6	\$79,828	\$61,150	\$55,450
7	\$90,003	\$65,350	\$59,300
8	\$100,178	\$69,550	\$63,100
For each	\$10,175	N/A	N/A

