



Take Stock in Children of Manatee County, Inc. Scholarship Selection Process 2017-2018

1. The application process will open on the first day of school. **August 10, 2017**.
2. To qualify as a Take Stock Scholar, families must prove income eligibility (see reverse) and students must have passed last year's FSA (Florida Standards Assessment).
3. Families will need to fill out the application and gather all required documentation including the 2016 Tax Return that names the applicant as a dependent.
4. The family will turn in the scholarship application to the school that the student attends during the 2017-2018 school year.
5. The school will then complete the Guidance Counselor Data Sheet and courier the completed applications to Take Stock in Children of Manatee County by **October 2nd, 2017**.
6. The student's application will be:
 - a. Reviewed by Take Stock Manatee staff for completion
 - b. Reviewed by a committee of community members
7. The qualifying students will be invited to attend an interview on **November 7th or November 9th**. The interviewers will be Take Stock Mentors and other members of the community.
8. After the interviews, the selection of Take Stock Scholars will be made. The selected scholars will receive a letter inviting them to participate in the program.
9. Parents or Guardians of the student will be required to attend a Orientation on **December 4th**, a Contract Signing on **December 11th**, and a presentation to the School Board on **December 12th**.
10. New scholars will be matched with a mentor by January 2018.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact:

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Take Stock in Children of Manatee County, Inc. Income Eligibility Guidelines 2017-2018

HOUSEHOLD SIZE	ANNUALLY	MONTHLY	TWICE PER MONTH	EVERY TWO WEEKS	WEEKLY
1	22,311	1,860	930	859	430
2	30,044	2,504	1,252	1,156	578
3	37,777	3,149	1,575	1,453	727
4	45,510	3,793	1,897	1,751	876
5	53,243	4,437	2,219	2,048	1,024
6	60,976	5,082	2,541	2,346	1,173
7	68,709	5,726	2,863	2,643	1,322
8	76,442	6,371	3,186	2,941	1,471
For Each Additional Family Member Add	7,733	645	323	298	149

Reminder: Total income before taxes, social security, health benefits, union dues, or other deductions must be reported.

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