EDUCATION SAVINGS ACCOUNTS (ESAs)
GIVING OHIO’S CHILDREN THE BEST CHANCE TO SUCCEED

Education Savings Accounts (ESAs) are bipartisan and have passed in states across the country. Ohio’s new Afterschool Child Enrichment (ACE) Education Savings Account Program provides $125 million over the next two years that eligible families can spend on desperately-needed educational resources. This vital ESA program should be expanded and made permanent.

THE PROBLEM
Ohio schoolchildren have been set back by the pandemic, and parents have fewer options than those in other states to address educational performance issues.

Children in low-income families—particularly those in rural and urban areas—are at increased risk of falling behind their peers.

The pandemic impacted all parents—who desperately need support, certainty, and flexibility to ensure their students’ success—regardless of their school district.

Ohio must act now to catch up and give our students the tools they need to excel educationally.

THE SOLUTION
ESAs help parents afford desperately-needed resources and offer the flexibility necessary to improve their children’s educational outcomes.

ESAs offer an innovative and commonsense policy solution and provide a cost-effective way for state governments to manage their education budgets.

In addition to traditional tuition expenses, ESAs can be used to purchase laptops or other technology for distance learning, tutoring services, or supplemental material to augment existing curriculum.

66% of parents with a child at home agree that a portion of funding should follow students.

For more details, visit BuckeyeInstitute.org to read Fund Students First: Now is the Right Time for Education Savings Accounts and Giving Families Certainty: Enhancing Education with Education Savings Accounts.