

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- What is a tax credit?  
A tax credit is a dollar for dollar reduction in your state income tax bill. In other words, you subtract the amount of your contribution to a public school as a direct credit against your tax liability.
- Who can donate and take the credit?  
Individual taxpayers who file AZ taxes can take a \$200 tax credit per calendar year, and married couples filing jointly may take up to \$400. You do NOT have to have a child in school to take the credit, nor do you have to live within our district! Anyone who cares about our Blue Ridge programs can donate and take the credit. **However, businesses are not eligible to take the tax credit.**
- Do I have to itemize to take the credit?  
No, you don't! However, you will need to file Arizona Form 140 when you file your taxes.
- Can I decide where my donations go?  
Definitely. You can give the funds to the school of your choice for use in extracurricular activities, and you can even designate the specific club or sport your donation will benefit. Or, if you prefer, you can leave the funds undesignated and the school will decide the best use for your donation.
- What are extracurricular activities?  
Extracurricular activities are school sponsored activities that require enrolled students to pay a fee in order to participate. Generally, any educational or recreational activities that supplement the educational program of the school are considered to be extracurricular activities. State law allows each district school board to determine which activities are extracurricular and what fees will be levied.
- Can I use my donation to pay for a specific child to participate in an extracurricular activity?  
Yes, if the fees you pay otherwise qualify for the credit.
- Are tax credits refundable?  
Tax Credits are Not Refundable.

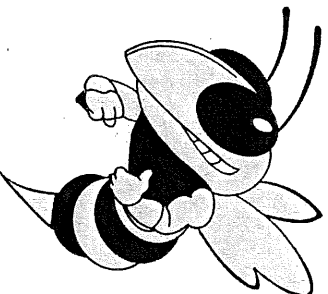
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### BLUE RIDGE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT #32 TAX CREDIT PROGRAM

*A Win-Win Opportunity!*



A TRADITION OF EXCELLENCE

How can I help a school? Complete this form and return it with your check to the Blue Ridge District Office.

Donations must be postmarked by

**December 31.**

**Please make check payable to BRUSD.**

(Don't forget to put your telephone number on your check please).

*Invest in Our Future*

*Invest in Our Kids*

*Use your tax credit and  
make it count!*

*Thank you!*

## What is the Blue Ridge School Tax Credit Program?

It's a way to support Blue Ridge students at essentially no cost to you.



The State of Arizona allows a dollar-for-dollar reduction in your state tax bill of \$200 for individuals (or \$400 for married couple filing jointly), for fees or donations paid to public school in support of extracurricular activities.

You don't have to have a student in school to take this credit! Anyone who makes a contribution to a school to support extracurricular activities can benefit.

Your tax credit donations support arts, sports and other after-school activities — and your help is needed more than ever! Your financial support makes it possible for students to participate in activities that might not otherwise be available to them.

### It's Easy!

Just complete the response portion of this brochure and you're on your way!

- \* Write the dollar amount that you want to contribute.
- \* Choose the school you would like to support. (Tax Credits may not be transferred from one school to another).
- \* Check the activities at that school you would like to fund.

Just drop this form off with your check at the BRUSD Office before December 31st. Or if you prefer, you can mail your check to BRUSD, 1200 W. White Mtn. Blvd., Lakeside, AZ 85929. **(MUST BE POSTMARKED BY DECEMBER 31st.)**

## RESPONSE CARD

PLEASE APPLY MY DONATION OF:

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ to the following schools and selected programs as indicated.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

MIDDLE SCHOOL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

HIGH SCHOOL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Note: Tax Credit is limited to \$200 for an individual taxpayer, or \$400 for a married couple filing jointly.

If you do not mark any particular program(s) to receive your tax credit donation, your gift will be undesignated and applied to extracurricular programs with the greatest needs at your chosen school.

Thank you for your generosity!

Donor Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Name if Applicable: \_\_\_\_\_

BLUE RIDGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

\_\_\_\_\_ Undesignated

BLUE RIDGE MIDDLE SCHOOL

\_\_\_\_\_ Art \_\_\_\_\_ Band  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Chess \_\_\_\_\_ Discovery  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Music \_\_\_\_\_ Odyssey of the Mind  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Orchestra \_\_\_\_\_ Undesignated

BLUE RIDGE JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

\_\_\_\_\_ Art \_\_\_\_\_ Band  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Athletics \_\_\_\_\_ Choir  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Chess \_\_\_\_\_ Odyssey of the Mind  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Cross Country \_\_\_\_\_ Orchestra  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Math \_\_\_\_\_ Science  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Science Olympiad \_\_\_\_\_ Spirit Line  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Spanish \_\_\_\_\_ Wrestling  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Undesignated

BLUE RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL

\_\_\_\_\_ Academic Decathlon \_\_\_\_\_ Ambassadors  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Art \_\_\_\_\_ Athletics  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Auto Skills USA \_\_\_\_\_ Band  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Baseball \_\_\_\_\_ Boys Basketball  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Broadcasting Skills USA \_\_\_\_\_ Boys Soccer  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Chess \_\_\_\_\_ Choir  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Color Guard \_\_\_\_\_ Cross Country  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Culinary Arts \_\_\_\_\_ Drama  
 \_\_\_\_\_ FBLA \_\_\_\_\_ Football  
 \_\_\_\_\_ German \_\_\_\_\_ Girls Basketball  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Girls Soccer \_\_\_\_\_ Golf  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Graphics \_\_\_\_\_ Mock Trial  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Livestock/Equine Show \_\_\_\_\_ Orchestra  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Physics \_\_\_\_\_ Robotics  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Running \_\_\_\_\_ SADD  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Ski \_\_\_\_\_ Softball  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Social Studies \_\_\_\_\_ Spanish  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Speech & Debate \_\_\_\_\_ Spirit Line  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Student Council \_\_\_\_\_ Track & Field  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Technology Skills USA \_\_\_\_\_ Undesignated  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Volleyball \_\_\_\_\_ Wrestling  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Web Design Skills USA