

Tip Sheet to assist our **SCCPSS families of students with disabilities** ages 5 -22 to apply for the GA SOLVE Scholarships.

To receive SOLVE Scholarships, families with students with disabilities must meet the following eligibility requirements:

- There are no income requirements for families with a student with a disability.
- The parents must be attending work, school, or a combination of the two.
- The child or young adult must be enrolled in a Georgia charter school or public school system that is primarily offering virtual learning
- 50% or more of classroom instruction is virtual for any grade level kindergarten through 7<sup>th</sup>
- SCCPS students with disabilities are currently eligible for GA SOLVE\*
- The child or young adult with disabilities must be age 5 up to age 22.

For Information about GA SOLVE: [Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning \(ga.gov\)](#)

\*Eligible Georgia School Districts as of Jan 2021: [SOLVE\\_EligibleSchoolsDistricts.pdf](#)

Eligibility for Students with Disabilities: [SOLVE\\_EligibilityRequirementsforStudentsWithDisabilities.pdf](#)

Information about GA SOLVE Informal Providers: [SOLVE\\_InformalProviderRequirements.pdf \(ga.gov\)](#)

To Apply:

- 1- Go to [Georgia Gateway](#) or type in <https://gateway.ga.gov/access/>
  - Click on one of the two bottom tabs
    - Apply for a New SOLVE Scholarship
    - Manage an Existing SOLVE Scholarship
- 2- Complete the Application as directed.
  - In Activity / Contact Information:
    - While there are no income requirements for families of students with disabilities, parents will still need to enter their weekly income in the application.
  - In Child / Young Adult 1 Information:
    - For school district, select Savannah Chatham County in Drop Down Box
    - If your child attends the GNETS School (Coastal GA Comprehensive Academy/CGCA), you will select Savannah Chatham County as the district.
    - Check the NO circle for Question: Is this child/young adult enrolled in a private school?
    - Check the NO circle for Question: Is this child/young adult enrolled in a charter school? (All of the charter schools in SCCPSS are part of the SCCPSS)
    - Check the YES circle which asks “Does this child/young adult have a disability”?

- In Licensed/Exempt Provider Selection:
  - ***YOU CAN USE LICENSED CHILDCARE PROVIDERS OR SELECT AN INDIVIDUAL TO PROVIDE CARE FOR YOUR CHILD/YOUNG ADULT.***
  - For current Licensed Providers: Enter your Zip Code, and the licensed providers in your area will populate once you click the drop-down box. You will need to check with the provider to see if they have space to accommodate your child/young adult.
  - You do not need to enter a provider in the Licensed/Exempt Provider Selection section: if you are using a licensed exempt provider like Employability or a private person. (More information about providers is available on the page in this section of the online application.)
- Add Another Child/Young Adult
  - Confirm that you have provided information for all the children/young adults in your household in need of care and currently enrolled in virtual learning.
  - Note: The income exemptions/up to age 22 only apply for students with disabilities
- Other Provider Information: For families with a child/young adult with disabilities may select an individual to provide care. Their chosen individual provider must complete/submit all required documents within 7 days of receiving the instructions from GA SOLVE!
  - ✓ Complete the circle tab: I wish to select an individual to provide care for my children/young adults
  - ✓ Complete the circle tab: Will care be provided in the home of the Child/Young Adult?
  - ✓ List your chosen individual's info (name, email, contact phone number, address and relationship) to your child (drop down box)
  - ✓ Your chosen Individual must complete and submit the requirements to GA SOLVE: link below  
[https://www.decal.ga.gov/documents/attachments/SOLVE\\_InformalProviderRequirements.pdf](https://www.decal.ga.gov/documents/attachments/SOLVE_InformalProviderRequirements.pdf)
- Home Address
  - This section is for your personal information
- Document Upload:
  - You will need 2 documents: Disability documentation & verification of Enrollment in a SCCPSS school.
  - You will need to upload a copy of your child's disability documentation. Here are the guidelines from GA Solve:
  - Your child/young adult case manager/special education teacher can provide you a copy of your child/young adult's IEP. Ask for an electronic copy to be emailed directly to you.

- ✓ Acceptable verification can include any of the following:
  - ✓ Written diagnosis and statement of how the child’s learning is impacted from a licensed medical specialist
  - ✓ an Individualized Family Service Plan (Part C of IDEA)
  - ✓ **an Individualized Education Program (IEP)**
  - ✓ an Individual Accommodation Plan (Section 504) that indicates how the child’s learning is impacted
  - ✓ Medicaid waiver for persons with disabilities (Katie Beckett, NOW, or COMP)
- For Student Enrollment Verification, contact the Information Specialist at your child/young adult’s school. Ask the form to be sent to you electronically.
  
- Applicant Signature
  - Type your name and submit