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Dear Parent or Guardian:

We would like to inform you that your student **may** be eligible to participate in the Family Empowerment Scholarship for Students with Unique Abilities Program (FES UA). This program was created to provide additional educational options for families of students with disabilities.

By participating in the FES UA Program, your student may have the option to attend a different public school in your district, attend a public school in an adjacent district, or receive a scholarship in the form of an education savings account (ESA). FES UA funds can be used for items such as private school tuition and fees, online learning programs, private tutoring, therapies, community college costs, and other approved customized learning services and materials.

Eligibility to participate in the ESA option of the FES UA is established in section 1002.394, Florida Statutes, which also sets caps on the number of students who can enter the program each year. Parents interested in the option may submit an application to one of the state's two scholarship funding organizations (SFOs) that administer this program. Please take note of any deadlines for submission and completion of applications provided by the SFOs.

To learn more about your student's public school options, contact your district's school choice office. For more information on the ESA option of the FES UA program, please contact one of the SFOs below:

A.A.A Scholarship Foundation – FL, LLC  
P.O. Box 15719  
Tampa, FL 33684  
888-707-2465  
[info@aaascholarships.org](mailto:info@aaascholarships.org)

Step Up for Students  
P.O. Box 54367  
Jacksonville, FL 32245-4367  
877-735-7837  
[info@stepupforstudents.org](mailto:info@stepupforstudents.org)

Please note this letter serves to notify you that your child may be eligible to participate in the FES US Program. **This letter does not guarantee your student's eligibility to participate.**

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Elizabeth C. Simpson". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Elizabeth C. Simpson  
Executive Director, Exceptional Student Education and Student Services  
Alachua County Public Schools