

School Tax Relief / Star Program

New STAR applicants receive a credit in the form of a check directly from New York State instead of receiving a school property tax exemption.

New Basic and Enhanced STAR applicants must register with the New York State Tax Department to receive a STAR check. Register anytime at www.tax.ny.gov/star - it just takes a few minutes. Register by July 1 to receive your check in September. If you register after July 1, you'll receive your check at a later date.

Property owners without access to a computer can register by phone weekdays from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm (518-457-2036).

Are you eligible for STAR?

To receive the STAR credit, you must own your home and it must be your primary residence.

Basic STAR

The total income of the owners and the owners' spouses who primarily reside at the property must not exceed \$500,000.

Enhanced STAR

- The income limit for Enhanced STAR is annually adjusted for inflation.
- For the 2022/2023 school tax bill the income limit is \$98,700 based on your 2022 income tax return
- All owners must be at least 65 years old (unless the owners are spouses or siblings, in which case at least one owner must be at least 65).