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Congratulations on the purchase of your new property.

You may have heard of the STAR program offered by the State of New York to provide taxpayers with a School Tax Relief (STAR) Credit. Hopefully you have already applied for your benefit, but if not, or if you have questions, please take a minute to review the requirements of the program.

For new homeowners, the STAR program has transitioned from an exemption on the assessment roll to a STAR check to be issued to property owners after they apply online or by phone with the NYS Department of Taxation and Finance.

In some cases, if you purchased a home after March 1, 2017, the previous owner's STAR (if they applied and were eligible) may remain on the parcel for the upcoming school bill, but it will be removed.

You may receive this benefit for this upcoming or current school tax bill, but you will **still need to apply** so you will receive your check going forward.

The STAR Credit program eligibility requirements are as follows:

The property must be your primary residence.

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

Enhanced STAR: All owners must be 65 years old (unless the owners are spouses or siblings, in which case at least one owner must be at least 65).

The income limit for Enhanced STAR is \$86,000.

Please visit the NYSDTF website at www.tax.ny.gov.

There are links on the banner and also under **PROPERTY OWNERS**

[Register for the STAR credit](#)

You may also call **518-457-2036** to register, or if you have a question.

Thank you.