

**Einstein Bronx Hope HCOP Academy**  
**Eligibility Requirement Definition: *Economically Disadvantaged***

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Individuals are considered from an “***Economically Disadvantaged***” background if they come from a family with an annual income below a level based on low-income thresholds, according to family size established by the U.S. Census Bureau, adjusted annually for changes in the Consumer Price Index, and adjusted by the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), for use in all health professions programs. The Secretary defines a ‘low-income family/household’ for various health professions programs included in Titles III, VII and VIII of the Public Health Service Act, as having an annual income that does not exceed 200 percent of the Department’s poverty guidelines.

A family is a group of two or more individuals related by birth, marriage, or adoption who live together. A household may be only one person. Applicants are required to utilize the 2024 Poverty Guideline table below, [published by HHS](#), to determine an individual’s disadvantage status.

<b>2024 POVERTY GUIDELINES FOR THE 48 CONTIGUOUS STATES AND THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA</b>	
<b>Persons in family/household</b>	<b>Poverty guideline</b>
1	\$15,060
2	\$20,440
3	\$25,820
4	\$31,200
5	\$36,580
6	\$41,960
7	\$47,340
8	\$52,720
For families/households with more than 8 persons, add \$5,380 for each additional person.	

College students who are recipients of a Pell Grant are also considered ***economically disadvantaged***