[15] Kiddie Tax: The kiddie tax has less bite in 2022. The first \$1,150 of a child's unearned income is tax-free if the child is 18 years old or younger, or a full-time student under 24. The next \$1,150 is taxed at the child's rate. Any excess over \$2,300 is taxed at the parent's rate. (For 2021, only the first \$1,100 was exempt and the next \$1,100 was taxed at the child's rate.)