

Privacy & Security Policy

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Information Collected:

The site only collects information that is volunteered during the registration process or in any responses to specific information requests. We do need this information in order to provide services that you request. Examples of the information collected includes: information knowingly provided by you through on-line forms and surveys such as name, email address, personal financial or demographic information, telephone numbers and addresses. We may also collect third party personal information such as a referral's name. We only use this information for the purpose in which it was intended. We may also collect your IP address and information through the use of electronic 'cookies'. However, we limit the use and collection of information about our customers to that extent which is necessary to administer our business.

How We Use That Information:

ScholarshipZone reserves the right to use this information provided by you for:

- The specific purpose for which such information was provided (including matching registrants with the education providers and other advertisers on our site;
- Personal, demographic and profile data to improve our site;
- Our marketing and promotional purposes;
- As disclosed at the time such information is provided; and/or as disclosed in this Policy.

Although, it is important to note that ScholarshipZone reserves the right to change or modify this policy at any time with or without notice. If you have any questions regarding the use of your information or about this policy, please feel free to email us at: [Info@scholarshipzone.com \(mailto:info@scholarshipzone.com\)](mailto:info@scholarshipzone.com).

scholarshipzone.com may also share your information with its service providers such as an email service provider and chat provider, and with your permission, any other entities that we believe are able to provide you with special opportunities and offers. [These companies are authorized to use your personal information only as necessary to provide these services to us.](#)

scholarshipzone.com may occasionally license, share, or otherwise disclose data we collected to third parties. scholarshipzone.com does not have control over such party's information handling practices and is not responsible for any failure of such party to adhere to this Policy. As a condition of registration, you must agree that we are allowed to share your information with such entities, or else you may not register.

Additionally, scholarshipzone.com may disclose your information if required to do so by law or in the good faith belief that such action is necessary to: (a) comply with the applicable laws; (b) protect and defend the rights and/or property of scholarshipzone.com and its family of websites; and (c) comply with the valid legal process.

Customer Testimonials/Comments/Reviews:

We post customer testimonials/comments/reviews on our website which may contain personally information. We do obtain the customer's consent with a signed release of liability or via email or phone prior to posting their name with the testimonial/comment/review.

Framing:

On some of our sites we have special offers with our partners where another third party is actually framed within our site. However, you are actually on a third party website and should be aware that you are entering information on a third party site. Some pages may have the look and feel of being on our site, however the information collected on these pages may not be covered under our privacy. All information collected on their site is owned and controlled by that company's privacy policy.

Links to Other Sites:

If you click on a link to a third party site, including on an advertisement, you will leave our site and go to the site you selected. Because we cannot control the activities of third parties, we cannot accept responsibility for any use of your personally information by such third parties, and we cannot guarantee that they will adhere to the same privacy practices as scholarshipzone.com. We encourage you to review the privacy policies of any other service provider from whom you request services.

Cookies and Web Beacons:

A cookie is a small text file that is stored on a user's computer for record-keeping purposes. We use cookies on this site. We have the ability to link the information we store in cookies to any personal information you submit while on our site.

We use persistent cookies. A persistent cookie remains on your hard drive for an extended period of time. These cookies are in place to ensure a consistent user experience as we keep your registration information and display this within the form. We also use these cookies to correctly attribute our data to the appropriate traffic sources. You can remove persistent cookies by following directions provided in your Internet browser's "help" directory. You can find more information on cookies here: [More Info](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/HTTP_cookie#Persistent_cookie) (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/HTTP_cookie#Persistent_cookie). If you reject cookies, you may still use our site, but your ability to use some areas of our site, such as contests or surveys, will be limited.

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Our website includes Widgets, which are interactive mini-programs that run on our site to provide specific services from another company (e.g. displaying loan information, the news, etc). Personal information, such as your email address, may be collected through the Widget. Cookies may also be set by the Widget to enable it to function properly. Information collected by this Widget is governed by the privacy policy of the company that created it.

Registry Compliance:

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Third Party Cookies:

Notwithstanding anything else in this policy, we or a data provider we have engaged may place or recognize a unique cookie on your browser to enable you to receive customized ads or content. These cookies contain no personal information. The cookies may reflect de-identified demographic or other data linked to data you voluntarily have submitted to us, e.g., your email address, that we may share with a data provider solely in hashed, non-human readable form. To opt-out of these cookies, please go to <http://www.aboutads.info/choices/> (<http://www.aboutads.info/choices/>).

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Security:

We follow generally accepted industry standards to protect the personal information submitted to us, both during transmission and once we receive it. No method of transmission over the Internet, or method of electronic storage, is 100% secure, however. Therefore, while we strive to use commercially acceptable means to protect your personal information, we cannot guarantee its absolute security.

SMS Messaging:

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device on which messages will be received, and that you are authorized to approve the applicable charges. Data obtained from you in connection with this SMS Service may include your name, address, cell phone number, your provider's name, and the date, time, and content of your messages. The use of this information will be in accordance with this Mobile Policy. If fees are charged to your wireless account invoice, we may provide your carrier with your applicable information in connection therewith. Your wireless carrier and other service providers may also collect data about your wireless device usage, and their practices are governed by their own policies. You acknowledge and agree that the SMS Service is provided via wireless systems, which use radios (and other means) to transmit communications over complex networks. We will not be liable for any delays in the receipt of any SMS messages, as delivery is subject to effective transmission from your network operator. SMS message services are provided on an AS IS basis. We do not guarantee that your use of the SMS Service will be private or secure, and we are not liable to you for any lack of privacy or security you may experience. You are fully responsible for taking precautions and providing security measures best suited for your situation and intended use of the SMS Service. You may opt out of the SMS Service at any time by replying "STOP", "END", or "QUIT" to the SMS text message you have received. This process impacts only the future delivery of the particular SMS message offering, so you must send that message for each offering.

We do not collect Information from Children:

The information and services provided by us are not intended for children under the age of eighteen (18) years old. Additionally, we do not direct our Website to, nor do we knowingly collect any personal information from children under the age of thirteen (13) years old. If scholarshipzone.com learns of a person who registers on this site who is under the age of thirteen (13) years old, we will immediately delete that person's information.

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If you have received unsolicited bulk e-mail from scholarshipzone.com or promoting a scholarshipzone.com service, please let us know. Forward the message you received, including the mail headers, to scholarshipzone.com. Include a note letting us know that the message is spam, and that you did not specifically request to receive information from the sender.

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Access to your information:

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At its sole discretion, scholarshipzone.com may transfer, sell, and/or assign information collected on and through this site, including but not limited to, the users personal information collected, to one or more third parties, as a result of the sale, merger, consolidation, change in control, transfer of substantial assets, reorganization, or liquidation of scholarshipzone.com. You will be notified via email and/or a prominent notice on our website of any change in ownership or uses of your personal information, as well as any choices you may have regarding your personal information.

Data Retention:

We will retain your information for as long as your account is active or as needed to provide you services. If you wish to cancel your account or request that we no longer use your information to provide you services contact us at [Info@scholarshipzone.com](mailto:info@scholarshipzone.com) (<mailto:info@scholarshipzone.com>). We will retain and use your information as necessary to comply with our legal obligations, resolve disputes, and enforce our agreements.

Change in Policy:

We reserve the right to change this policy at any time. If we make a material change regarding how we use your personal information, we may notify you of the existence and location of the new or revised policy through email or by posting the changes online at our site.

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Contact Information

Email us at: info@scholarshipzone.com (<mailto:info@scholarshipzone.com>)

Or write to us at: Free College Scholarships LLC, 135 Townsend St, Ste 615, San Francisco, CA 94107



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