

Scholarship Scams Scam Warning Signs

You have to pay a fee

Money-back offers or guarantees

Credit card or bank account information required

Provides "exclusive" information

Common Scams

"Phishing"

Unsolicited emails that bear the logo of your bank or credit card

Appear legitimate but are traps to lure you into giving out your personal or account information

NEVER give out Social Security, credit card or bank account numbers to unsolicited emails or calls

"Pharming"

Unsolicited emails that encourage you to visit a website or click on suspicious links

Make sure your inbox spam filters are up to date

BE CAREFUL about giving out your contact information or email address

Reporting Scams

National Fraud Information Center (NFIC)

File an online complaint at www.fraud.org

Federal Trade Commission (FTC)

File an online complaint at www.ftc.gov/scholarshipscams, call 202-326-222, or write to: Federal Trade Commission Consumer Response Center
600 Pennsylvania Ave., NW
Washington, DC 20580

State Attorney General's Office

File your complaint with the Consumer Protection Division in your state. Visit www.naag.org to find your state Attorney General's Office

US Postal Inspection Service (USPIS)

File an online complaint involving mail fraud at postalinspectors.uspis.gov, call the Crime Hotline at 877-876-2455 or write to: Criminal Investigations Service Center
222 S. Riverside Plaza, Ste. 1250
Chicago, IL 60606-6100

Better Business Bureau (BBB)

File an online complaint about a business at www.bbb.org or call 703-276-0100

2017-2018 Calendar

August 2017

4-ACT Registration Deadline for 9/9 Test
15-SAT Late Registration Deadline for 8/26 Test
18-ACT Late Registration Deadline for 9/9 Test
26-SAT & Subject Tests

September 2017

8-SAT Registration Deadline for 10/7 Test
9-ACT Test
22-ACT Registration Deadline for 10/28 Test
27-SAT Late Registration Deadline for 10/7 Test

October 2017

FAFSA application period begins, submit ASAP to maximize chances for aid
5-SAT Registration Deadline for 11/4 Test
6-ACT Late Registration Deadline for 10/28 Test
7-SAT & Subject Tests
11-PSAT/NMSQT (Primary)
14-PSAT/NMSQT (Saturday)
25-SAT Late Registration Deadline for 11/4 Test
25-PSAT/NMSQT (Alternate)
28-ACT Test

November 2017

2-SAT Registration Deadline for 12/2 Test
3-SAT Registration Deadline for 12/9 Test
4-SAT & Subject Tests
17-ACT Late Registration Deadline for 12/9 Test
21-SAT Late Registration Deadline for 12/2 Test

December 2017

2-SAT & Subject Tests
9-ACT Test

January 2018

Complete FAFSA and submit
12-ACT Registration Deadline for 2/10 Test
19-ACT Late Registration Deadline for 2/10 Test

February 2018

9-SAT Registration Deadline for 3/10 Test
10-ACT Test (except in NY)
28-SAT Late Registration Deadline for 3/10 Test

March 2018

9-ACT Registration Deadline for 4/14 Test
10-SAT Test (only)
23-ACT Late Registration Deadline for 4/14 Test

April 2018

6-SAT Registration Deadline for 5/5 Test
14-ACT Test
25-SAT Late Registration Deadline for 5/5 Test

May 2018

1-National Candidate's Reply Date
3-SAT Registration Deadline for 6/2 Test
4-ACT Registration Deadline for 6/9 Test
5-SAT & Subject Tests
7-11-AP Exams - Week 1
14-18-AP Exams - Week 2
18-Late Registration Deadline for 6/9 Test
23-Late Registration Deadline for 6/2 Test

June 2018

2-SAT & Subject Tests
9-ACT Test
30-Last day to submit 2017-2018 FAFSA

Summer 2018

Apply for scholarships over your summer break
www.fastweb.com

Web Resources

Sources of Aid

Scholarship Search
www.fastweb.com

AmeriCorps
www.americorps.gov

City Year
www.cityyear.org

CSS/Financial Aid PROFILE
profileonline.collegeboard.com

Student Loans
www.studentloans.gov

College Admissions

College Search
www.fastweb.com/college-search

Educational Opportunity Centers Program
www2.ed.gov/programs/trioeoc

NACAC College Fairs
www.nacacfairs.org

Common Application
www.commonapp.org

FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)
www.fafsa.ed.gov

FSA ID Management
<https://fsaid.ed.gov/npas/index.htm>

FAFSA 4Caster
www.fafsa4caster.ed.gov

Job Corps
www.jobcorps.gov

Student Tax Info
www.irs.gov/individuals/students

Choosing a Career

Monster Career Advice
www.monster.com/career-advice/career-levels/entry-level

MonsterCollege
www.monstercollege.com

Career Planning
www.fastweb.com/career-planning

Bureau of Labor Statistics
www.bls.gov

Occupational Outlook Handbook
www.bls.gov/oco

Higher Ed News

Chronicle of Higher Education
www.chronicle.com

Higher Education Watch
www.higheredwatch.org

Inside Higher Ed
www.insidehighered.com

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