

## 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](http://www.fraud.org)

### Federal Trade Commission (FTC)

File an online complaint at [www.ftc.gov/scholarshipscams](http://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](http://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](http://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](http://www.bbb.org) or call 703-276-0100

## 2019–2020 Calendar

### August 2019

1-LSAT Registration Deadline – 9/21 Test

### September 2019

National College Savings Month

10-LSAT Registration Deadline – 10/28 Test

21-LSAT Test

### October 2019

FAFSA application period begins, submit ASAP to maximize chances for aid

4-GRE Registration Deadline – 11/9 Test

10-LSAT Registration Deadline – 11/25 Test

11-GRE Late Registration Deadline – 11/9 Test

28-LSAT Test

### November 2019

National Scholarship Month

9-GRE Test

25-LSAT Test

### December 2019

3-LSAT (Spanish) Reg. Deadline – 1/11 Test

3-LSAT Registration Deadline – 1/13 Test

27-GRE Registration deadline – 2/1 Test

### January 2020

Reminder, complete FAFSA and submit

3-GRE Late Registration Deadline – 2/1 Test

7-LSAT Registration Deadline – 2/22 Test

11-LSAT (Spanish) Test

13-LSAT Test

### February 2020

Financial Aid Awareness Month

1-GRE Test

11-LSAT Registration Deadline – 3/30 Test

22-LSAT Test

### March 2020

10-LSAT Registration Deadline – 4/25 Test

15-Financial Aid award letter distribution begins

30-LSAT Test

### April 2020

National Financial Literacy Month

15-Federal income tax due for 2019

25-LSAT Test

### May 2020

1-National Candidates’ Reply Date

### June 2020

30-Last day to submit 2019–2020 FAFSA

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## Financial Aid Important Resources

### Fastweb

[www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)

### FinAid

[www.finaid.org](http://www.finaid.org)

### Federal Student Aid for Students

[studentaid.ed.gov](http://studentaid.ed.gov)

### Financial Aid Calculators

[www.finaid.org/calculators](http://www.finaid.org/calculators)

### FTC Project Scholarship Scam

[www.ftc.gov/scholarshipscams](http://www.ftc.gov/scholarshipscams)

### Mapping Your Future

[www.mappingyourfuture.org](http://www.mappingyourfuture.org)

### The Guide to Federal Student Aid

[studentaid.ed.gov/guide](http://studentaid.ed.gov/guide)

## Financial Aid Applications

### FAFSA

[www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)

### FSA ID Management

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

### CSS PROFILE

<https://cssprofile.collegeboard.com>

### FAFSA 4Caster

[www.fafsa4caster.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa4caster.ed.gov)

### FAA (Access to Central Processing System)

[faaaccess.ed.gov](http://faaaccess.ed.gov)

## Student Loans and Grants

### Common Origination and Disbursement

[www.cod.ed.gov](http://www.cod.ed.gov)

### Federal Student Loans

[www.studentloans.gov](http://www.studentloans.gov)

### National Student Loan Data System

[www.nsls.ed.gov](http://www.nsls.ed.gov)

### Project on Student Debt

[www.ticas.org/posd/home](http://www.ticas.org/posd/home)

### Student Loan Borrower Assistance

[www.studentloanborrowerassistance.org](http://www.studentloanborrowerassistance.org)

### Default Management

[ifap.ed.gov/DefaultManagement](http://ifap.ed.gov/DefaultManagement)

### Total & Permanent Disability (TPD) Discharge

[www.disabilitydischarge.com](http://www.disabilitydischarge.com)

## Student Aid Resources

### AmeriCorps

[www.americorps.gov](http://www.americorps.gov)

### City Year

[www.cityyear.org](http://www.cityyear.org)

### Student Loans

[www.studentloans.gov](http://www.studentloans.gov)

### EduPASS: International Students

[www.edupass.org](http://www.edupass.org)

### State Resources

[www.finaid.org/state](http://www.finaid.org/state)

### State Residence Requirements

[www.finaid.org/stateresidency](http://www.finaid.org/stateresidency)