

“Where to Search for Scholarships”

The best way to search for scholarships is to use a [personalized search engine](#) that compares your background with a database of awards. Only those awards that fit your profile are identified as matches.

There are several [free scholarship databases](#) available online. It is recommended for students to search at least two of the following three:

- [FastWeb Scholarship Search](#)
- [College Board’s FUND FINDER](#)
- [Scholarships.com LLC](#)

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Other free scholarship databases are available such as:

- [Scholarship Experts](#)
- [ScholarshipHunter](#)
- [Adventures in Education](#)
- [College Net](#)
- [College Express](#)
- [Hispanic Scholarship Fund](#)
- Comprehensive [scholarship listing](#) provided by Minnie Stevens Piper Foundation

Warning: Some scholarships databases include awards that charge application fees. [FinAid](#) does not recommend applying to any scholarship that charges an application fee.

(Related Information)

Don't fall for scholarship scams! According to the Federal Trade Commission (FTC), many unscrupulous companies make guarantees or unrealistic promises in exchange for advance fees, weekly or monthly fees, or personal information, such as checking account numbers or credit card numbers. Don't fall for it! Remember: While there are legitimate companies or services that require a sign up fee, no legitimate company can guarantee or promise a scholarship! The [Scholarship Fraud Prevention Act of 2000](#) created a fraud-awareness partnership between the U.S. Department of Education and the Federal Trade Commission (FTC). For information about scholarship scams or to report a scam, call the FTC toll free 1-877-FTC-HELP (1-877-382-4357) or go to the [Scholarship Scams web site](#).

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