Your One-Stop-Shop for Cash for College

HOW FILLING OUT A SINGLE PROFILE CAN LEAD TO MULTIPLE SCHOLARSHIPS.

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The Basics to Earning Scholarships

1. Visit your local Dollars for Scholars® website.
2. Complete the FREE online profile.
3. Match to scholarship opportunities from local chapters, if available.
4. Gain access to MORE scholarships from Scholarship America®.
5. Apply for scholarships!

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Objectives

- Learn how to access the student profile.
- Learn the different components of the student profile.
- Understand how to match and apply for scholarships.
- Earn scholarships, attend college, and graduate!

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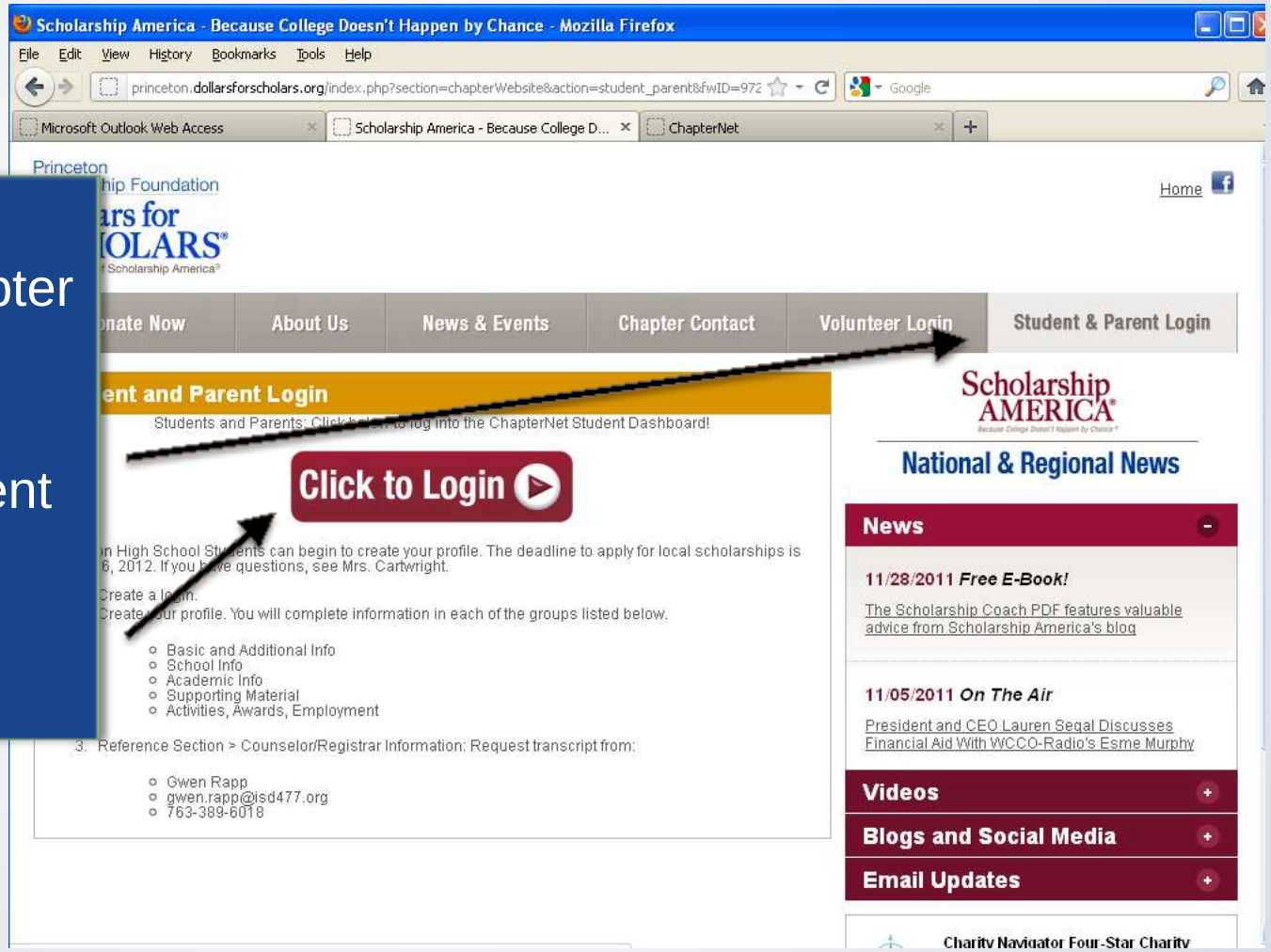
How to Access Scholarships

- Visit ANY chapter website.
- Click on the student & parent login tab.
- Click to login.



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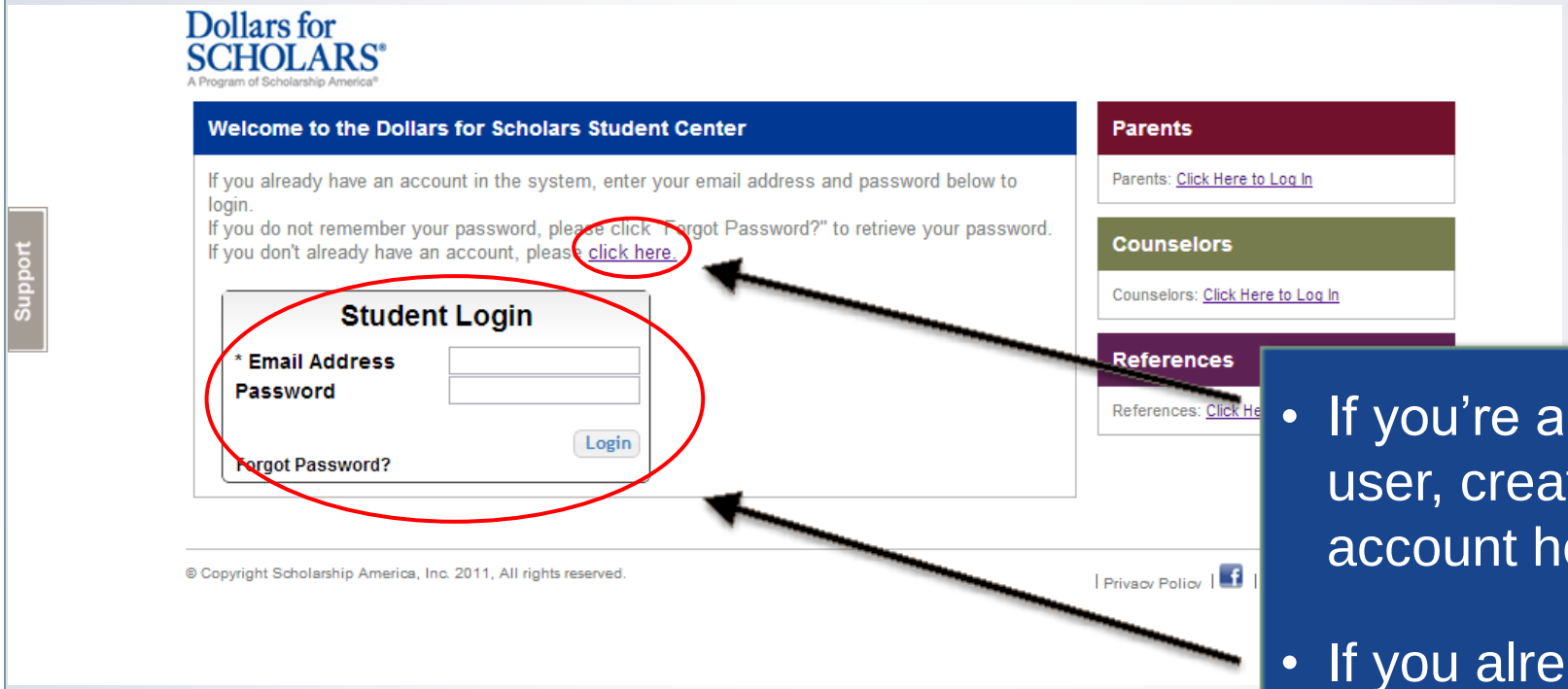

- If you're a new user, create your account here.
- If you already have an account, log-in here.

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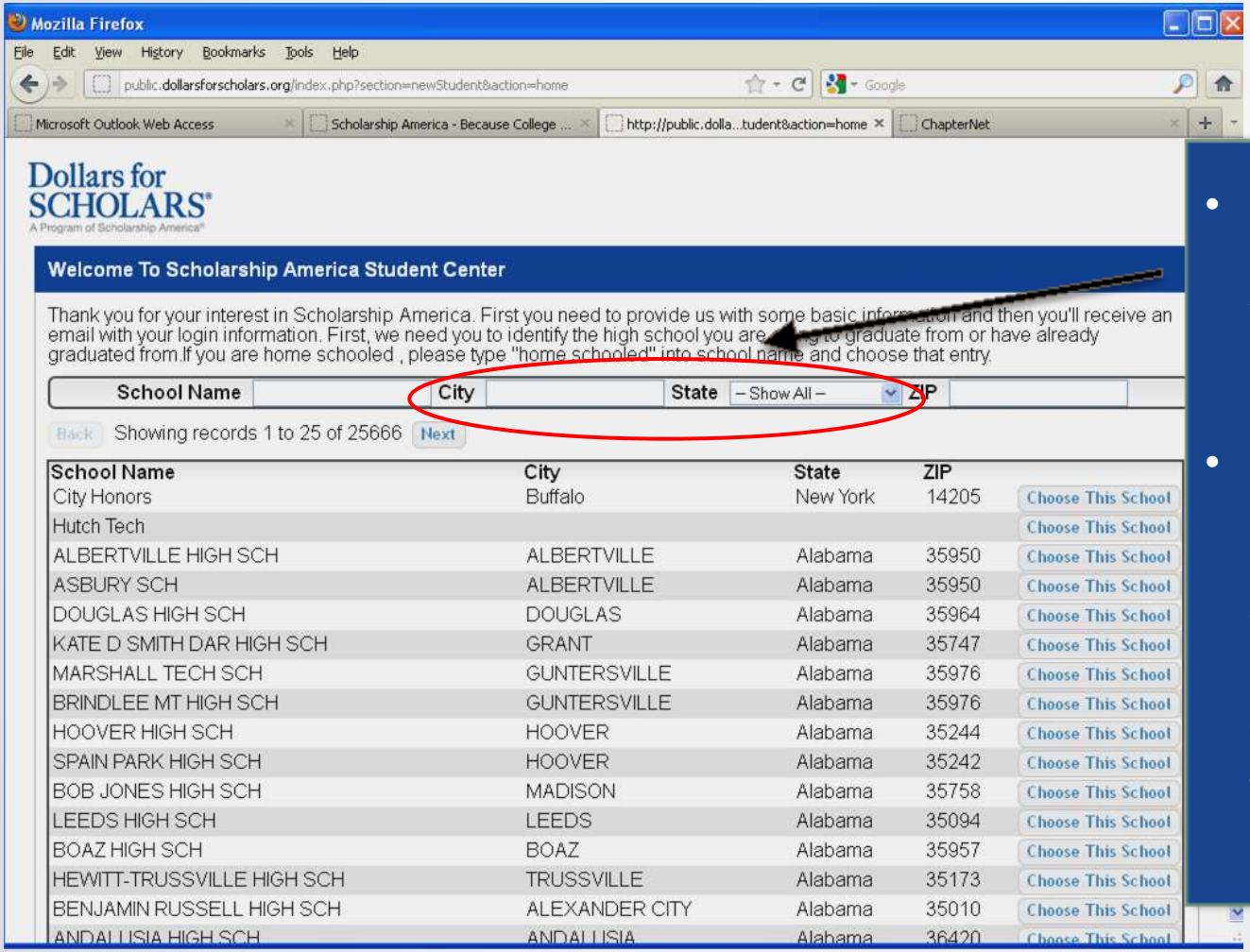
Creating Your Account



- Start by entering the city & state where your high school is located.
- Then choose your high school from the list. (The one where you have graduated or will graduate from, or the one where you are currently attending.)

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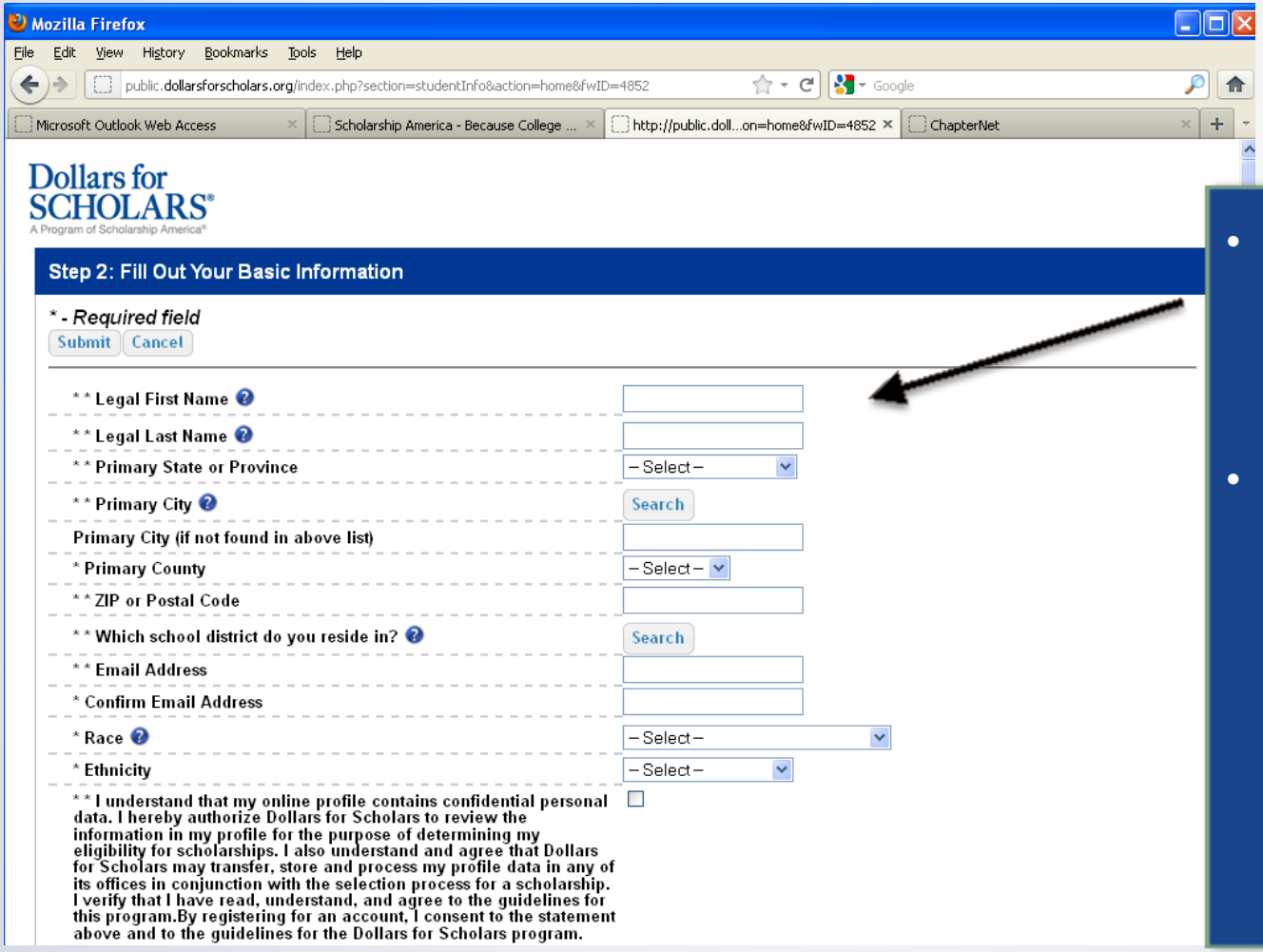

- Start filling out your profile by entering your residential information.
- Once this is complete, you will receive an email to verify your username, and will then be directed to the student dashboard to establish your password.

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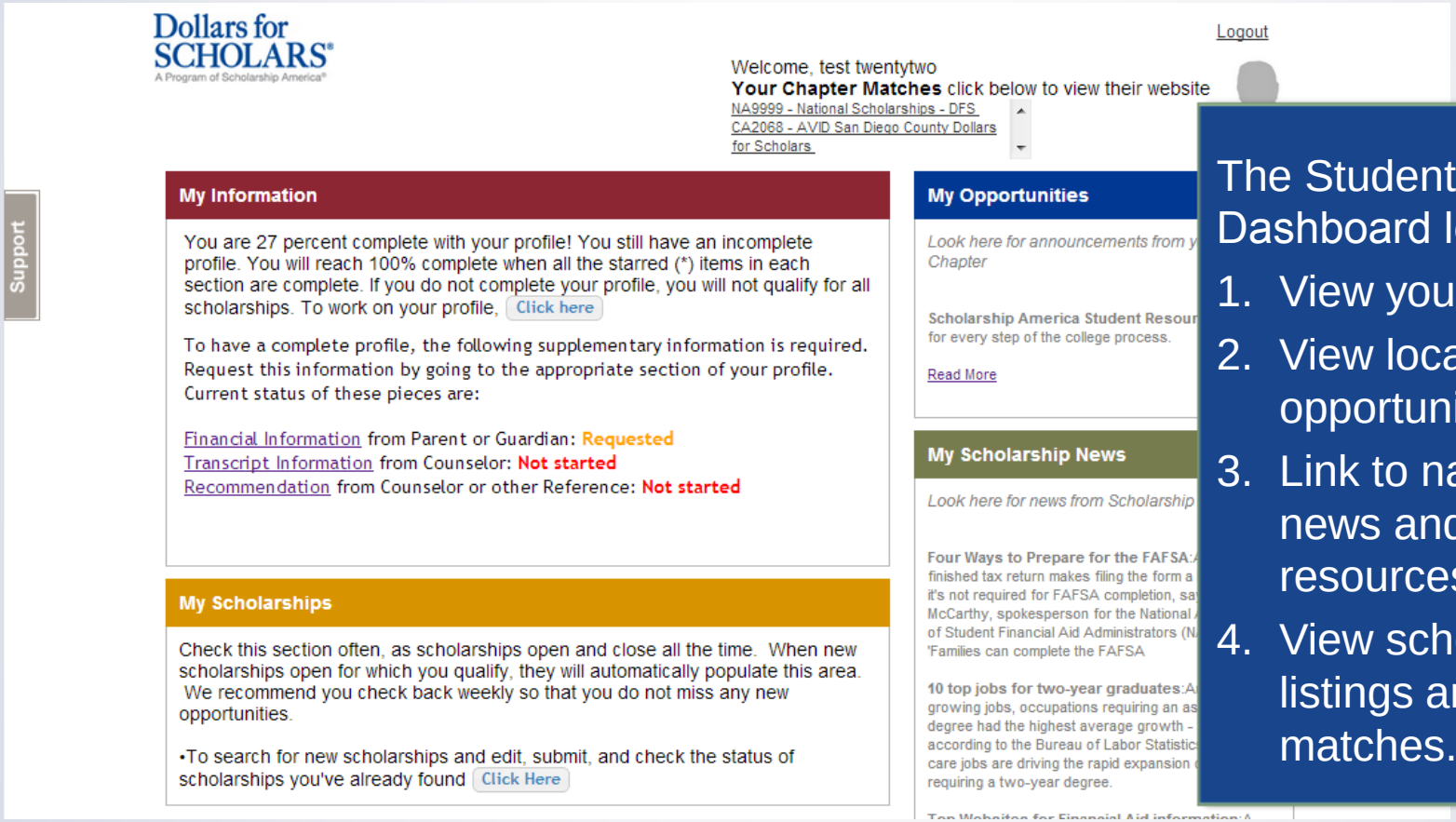
Welcome to the Student Dashboard!



The Student Dashboard lets you…

1. View your progress.
2. View local chapter opportunities.
3. Link to national news and resources.
4. View scholarship listings and matches.

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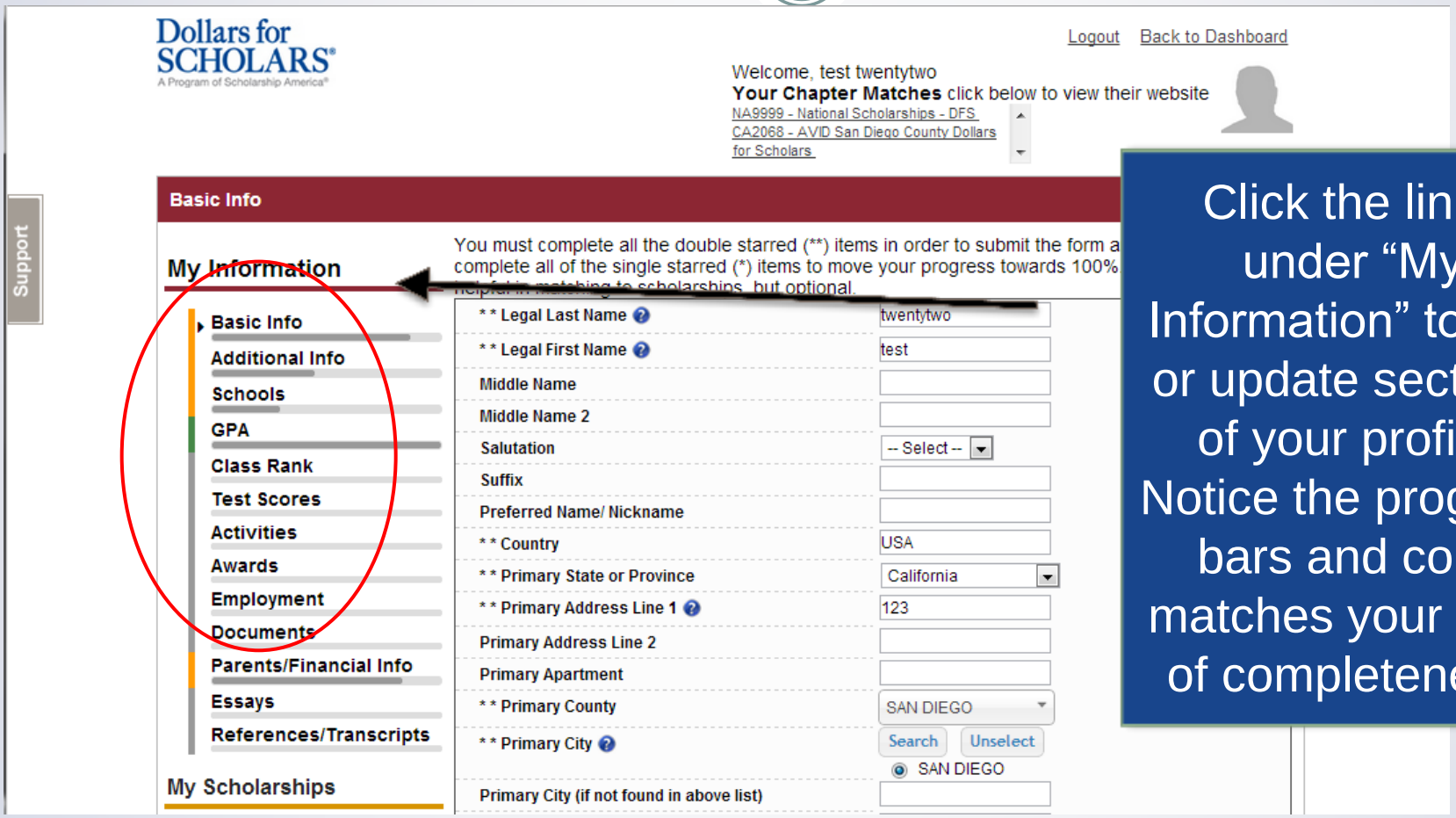
Your Student Profile



Click the links under “My Information” to edit or update sections of your profile. Notice the progress bars and color matches your level of completeness.

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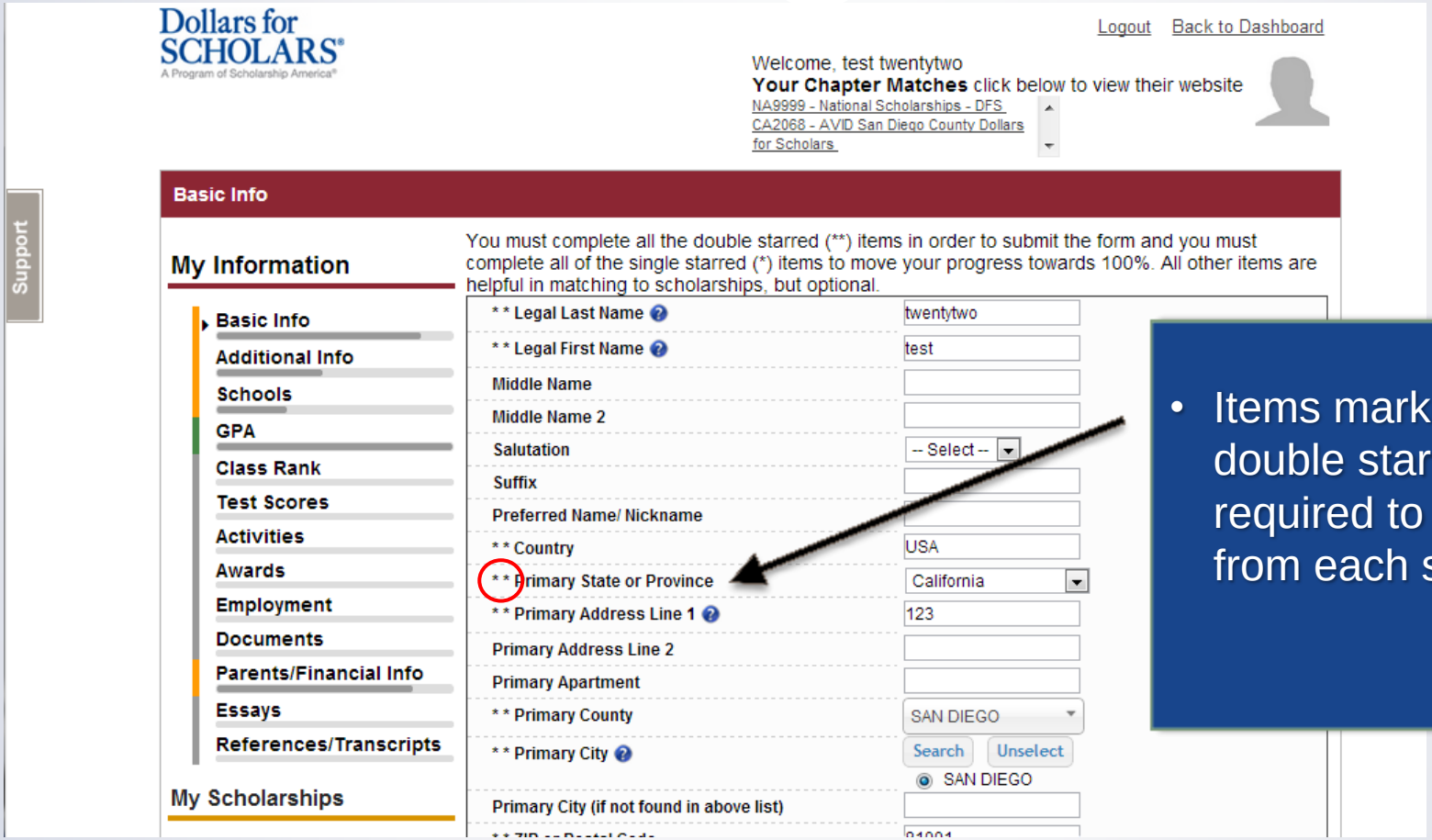
Student Profile: Basic Information



- Items marked with a double star ** are required to move on from each section.

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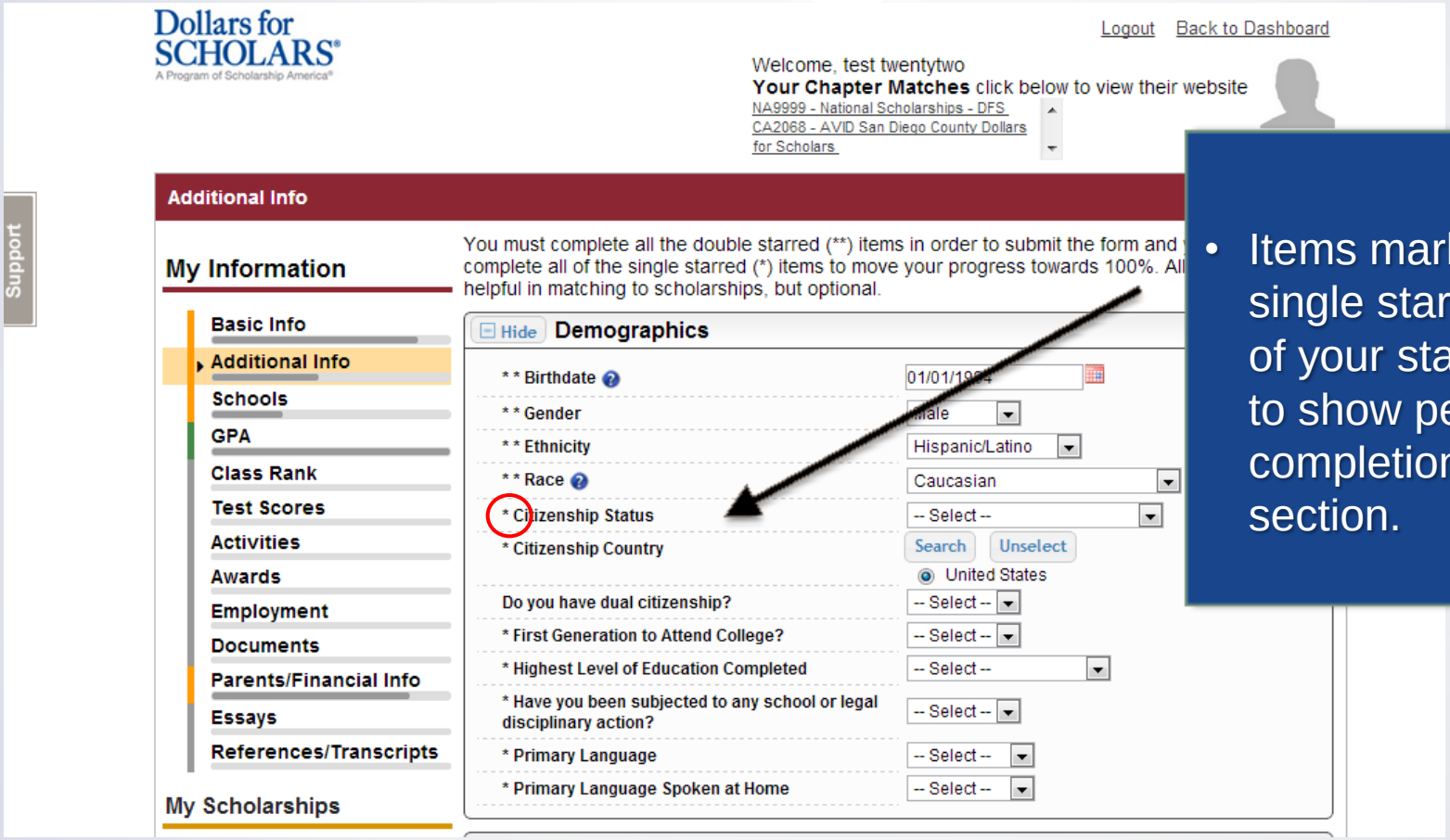
Student Profile: Additional Information



- Items marked with a single star * are part of your status bars to show percent completion in each section.

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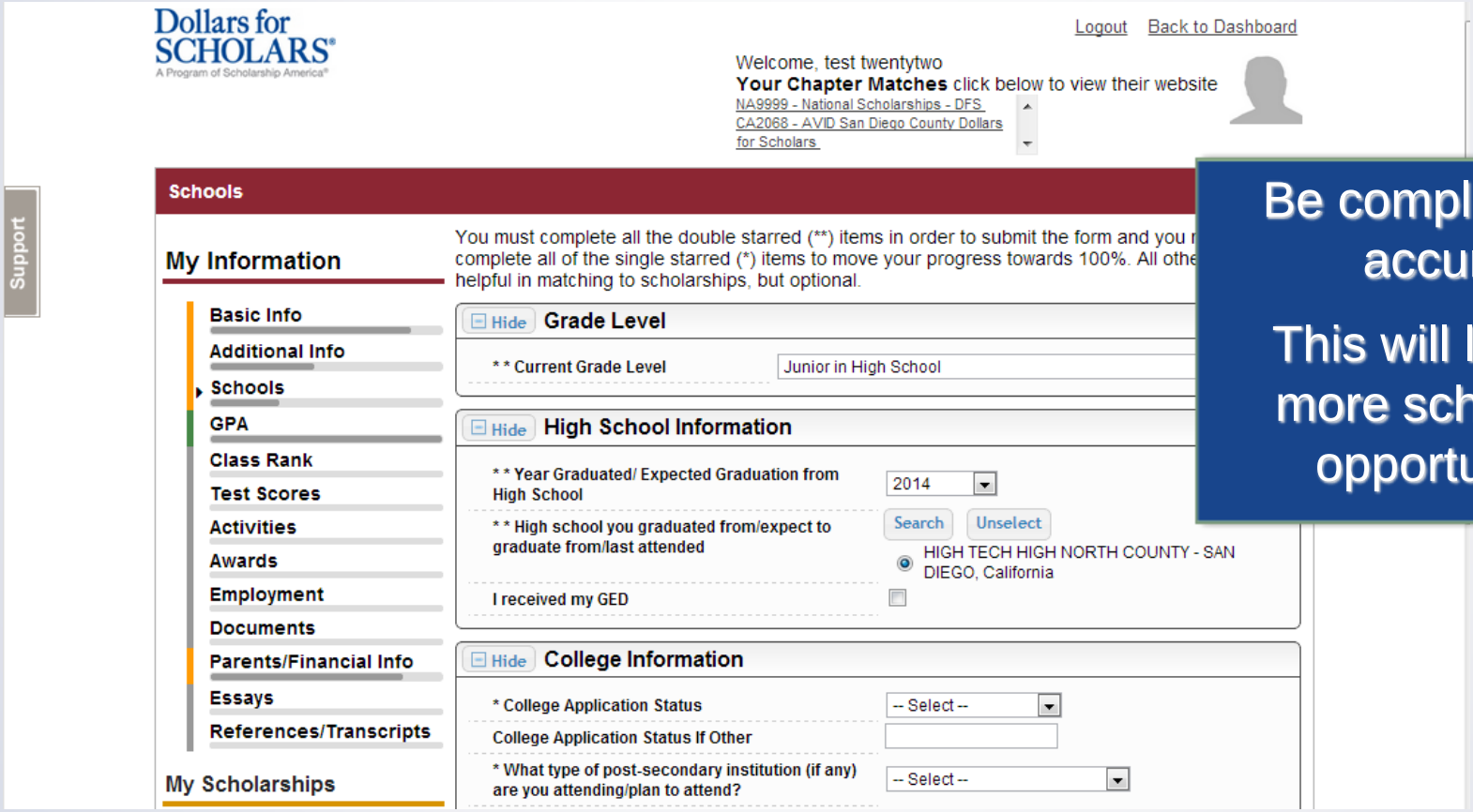
Student Profile: Schools



Be complete and accurate!

This will lead to more scholarship opportunities.

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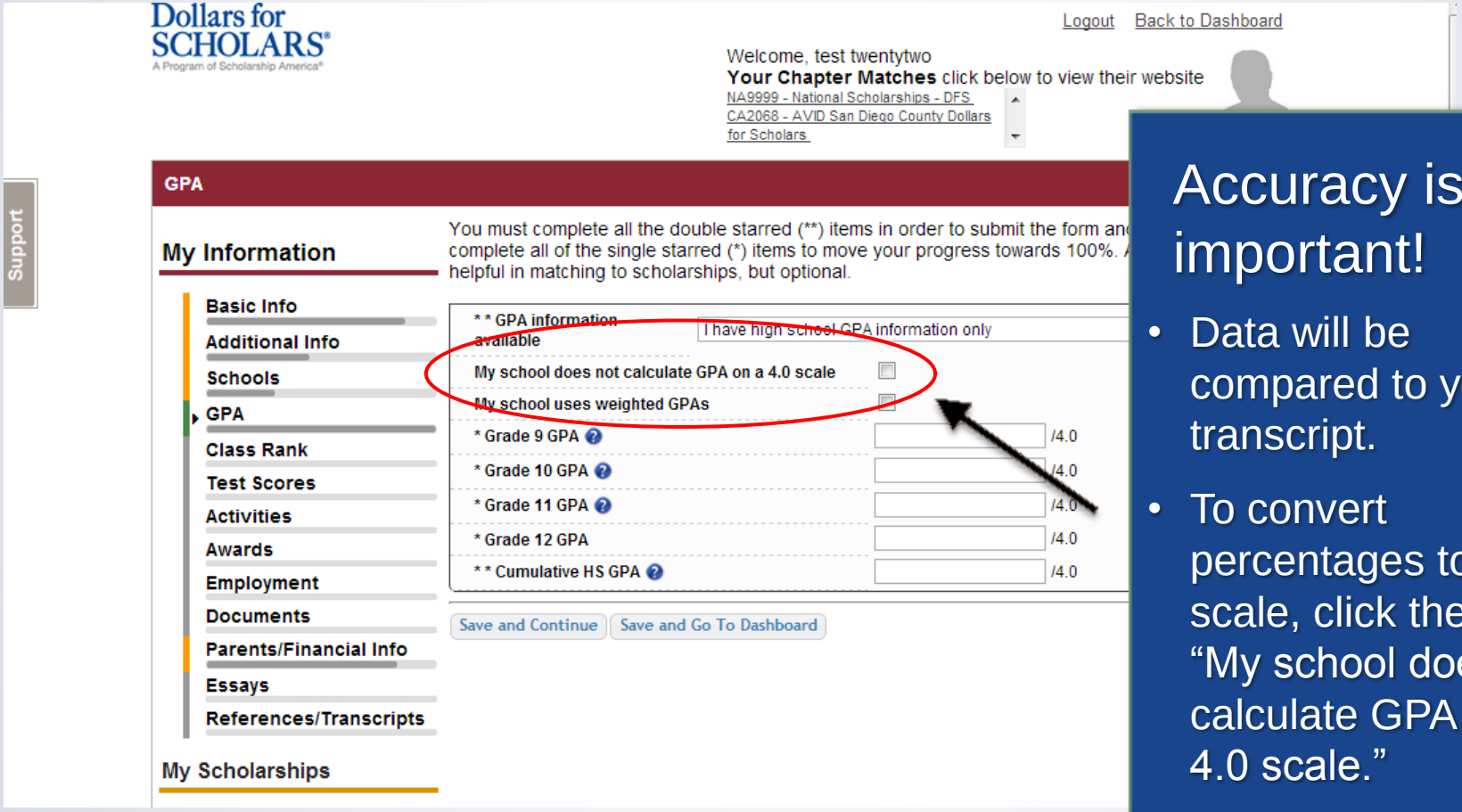
Student Profile: GPA



Accuracy is important!

- Data will be compared to your transcript.
- To convert percentages to a 4.0 scale, click the box "My school does not calculate GPA on a 4.0 scale."

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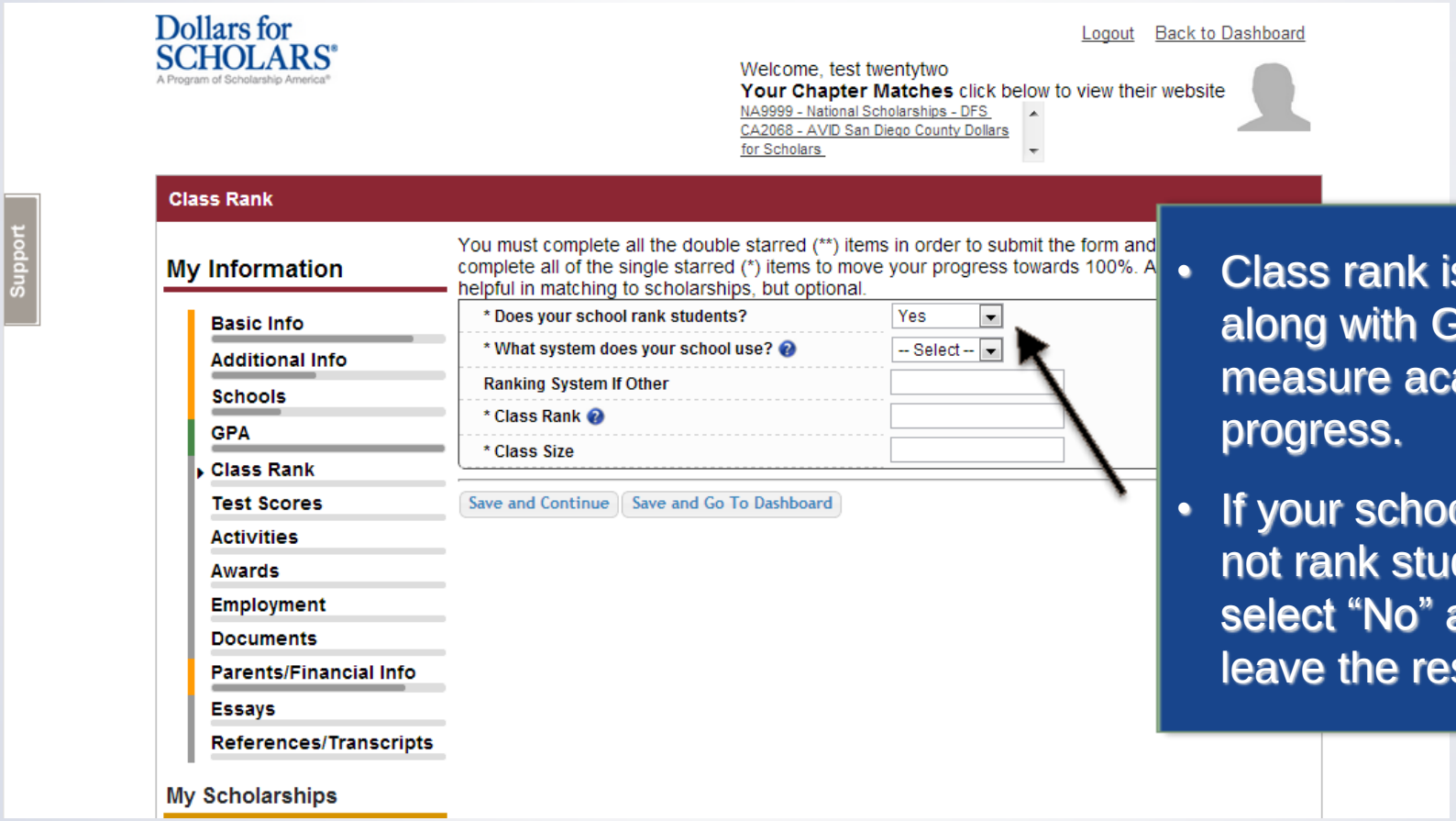
Student Profile: Class Rank



- Class rank is used along with GPA to measure academic progress.
- If your school does not rank students, select “No” and leave the rest blank.

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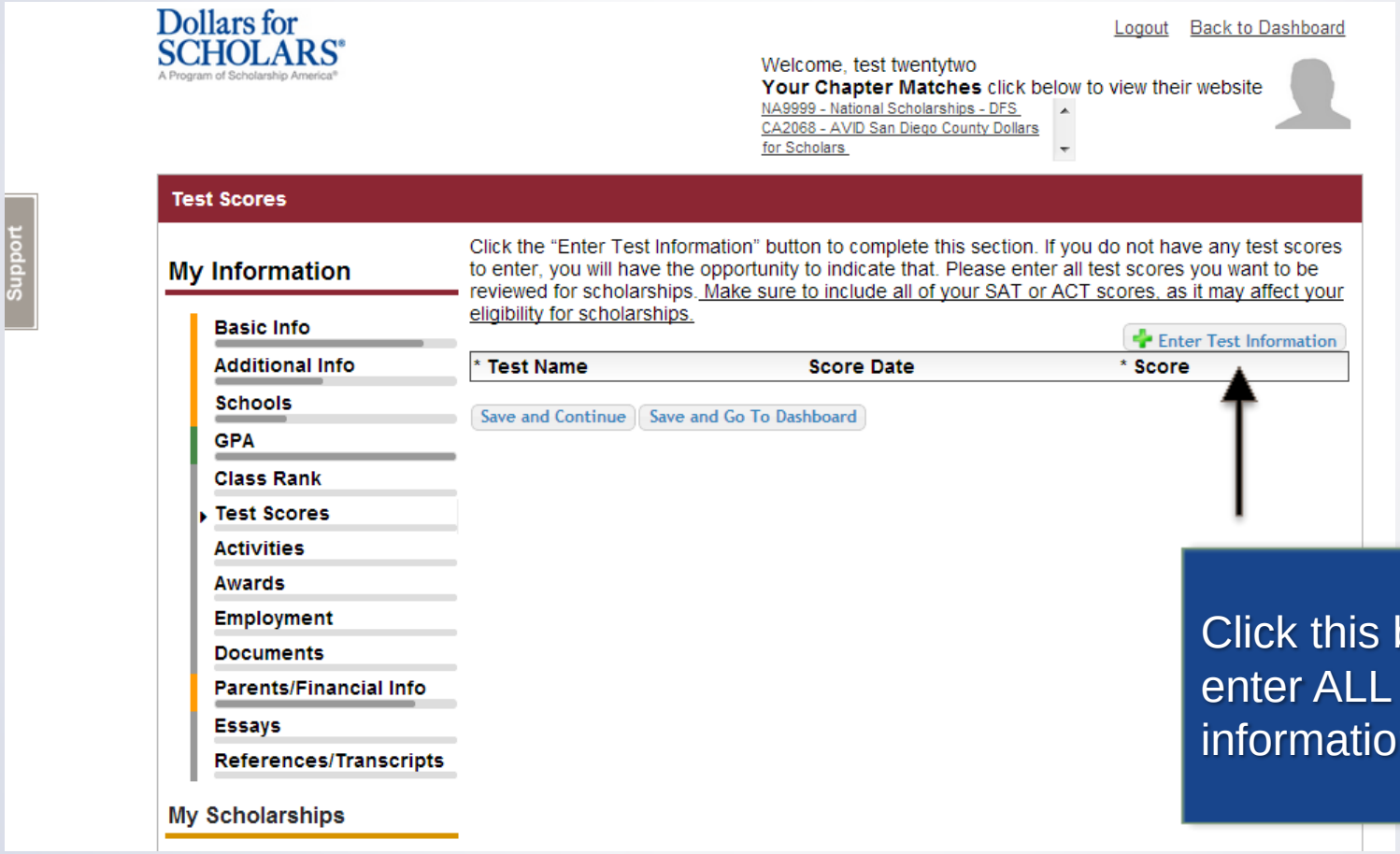
Student Profile: Test Scores



Click this button to enter ALL your information!

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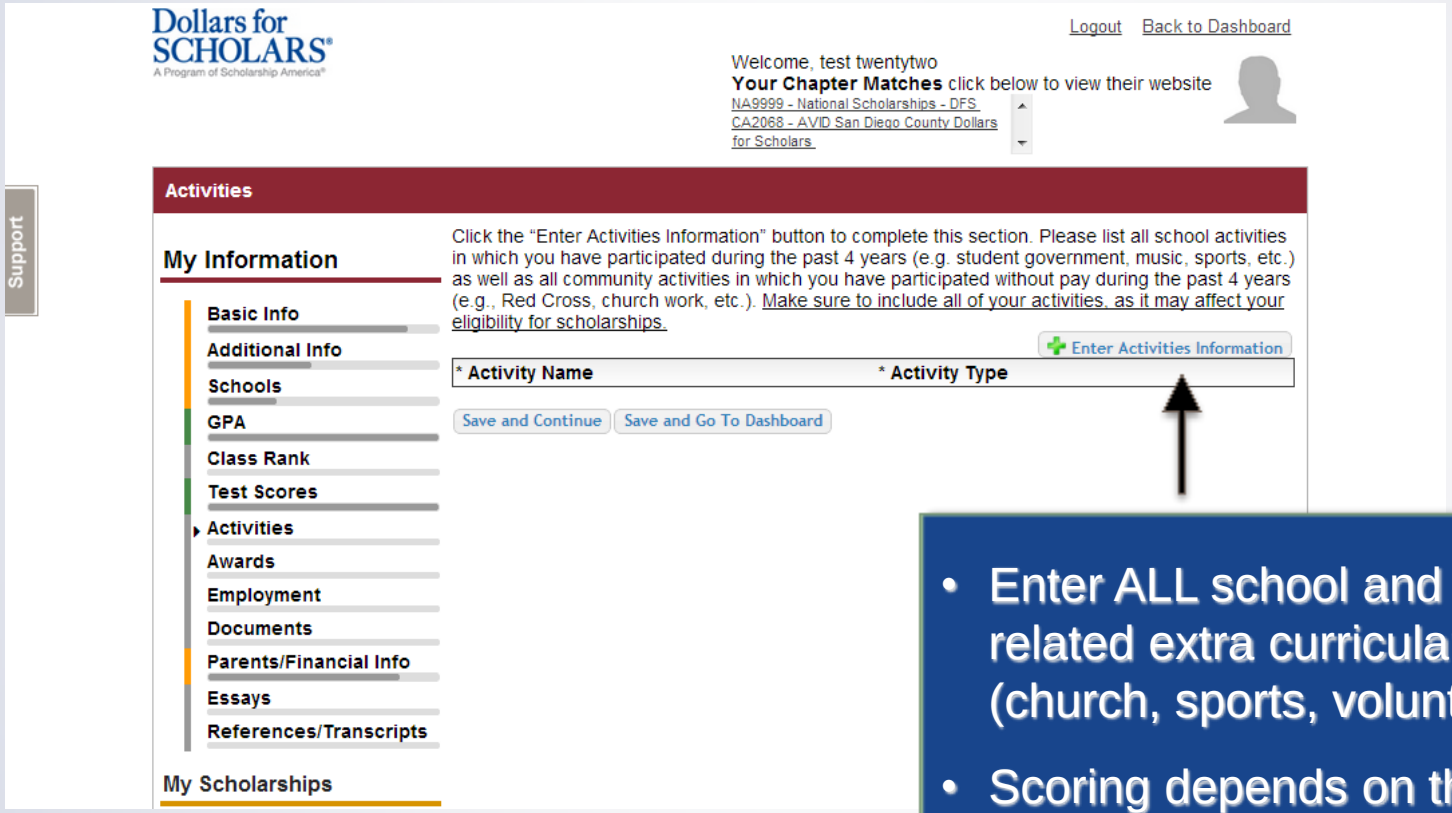
Student Profile: Activities



- Enter ALL school and non-school related extra curricular activities (church, sports, volunteering, etc.).
- Scoring depends on the completeness of your scholarship application.

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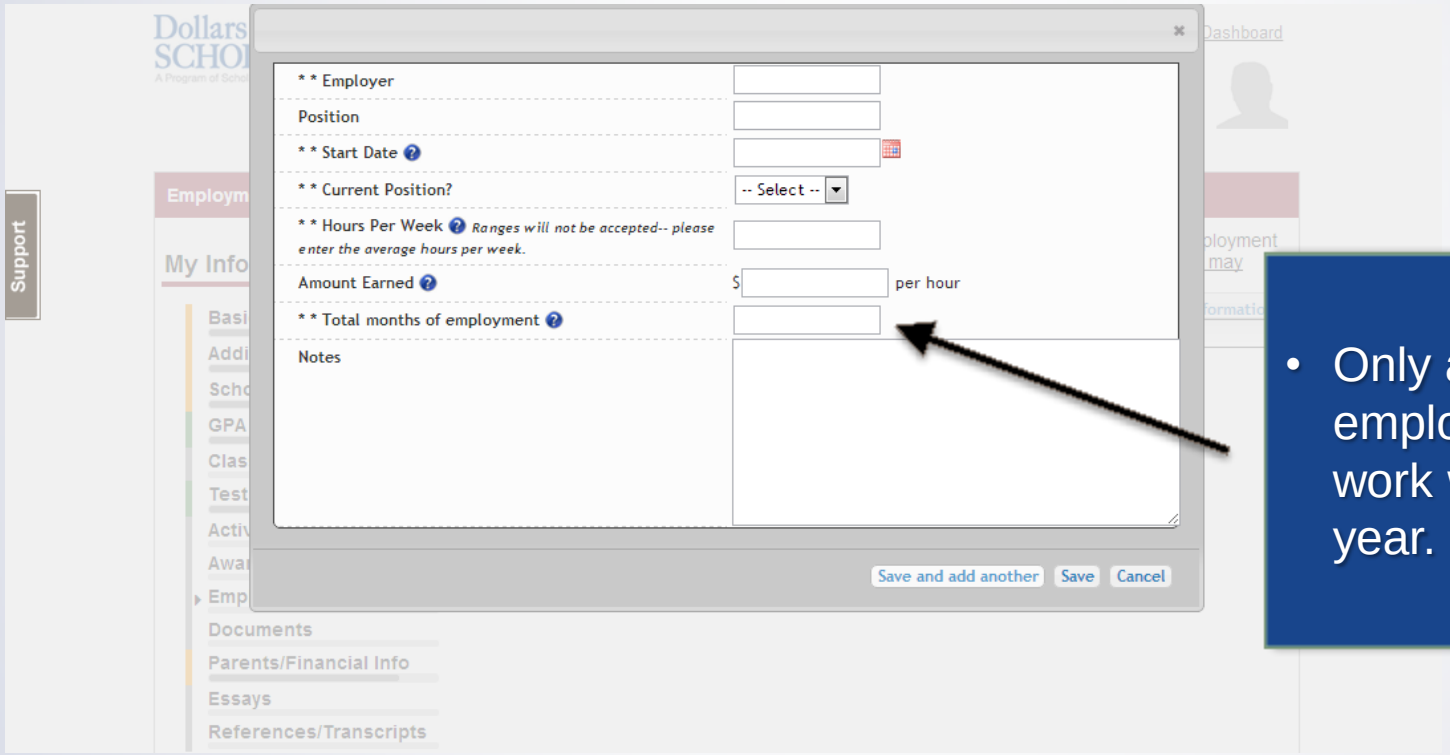
Student Profile: Employment



- Only add months employed if your work was not a full year.

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Student Profile: Parent and Financial Information

- If you're under 18, you need parental consent to apply for scholarships. Click here to send them an email.
- In addition, they can also add financial information that may be required to assess your scholarship eligibility.

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In order to be considered for scholarships that make decisions based on need, you must provide information about your or your family's financial situation. This can be done in 3 different ways. Check with your local Dollars for Scholars chapter to determine which method, if any, they require.

* Method 1: **FAFSA Expected Family Contribution:** Add FAFSA Info
This number is found on the SAR you received after completing the FAFSA

Method 2: **CSS Profile:** Add CSS Info
This number is found on the results from taking the CSS Profile

* Method 3: **Scholarship America's Suggested Family Contribution**
Click the button below to enter information about your parent/guardian and send them an email providing them access to the financial information form. They will then complete the Scholarship America financial form online.

If you are emancipated, you will have the opportunity to fill out your own financial information.
Click here to determine if you are legally emancipated.

Enter My Own Financial Information | Add Parent Information

Save and Continue | Save and Go To Dashboard

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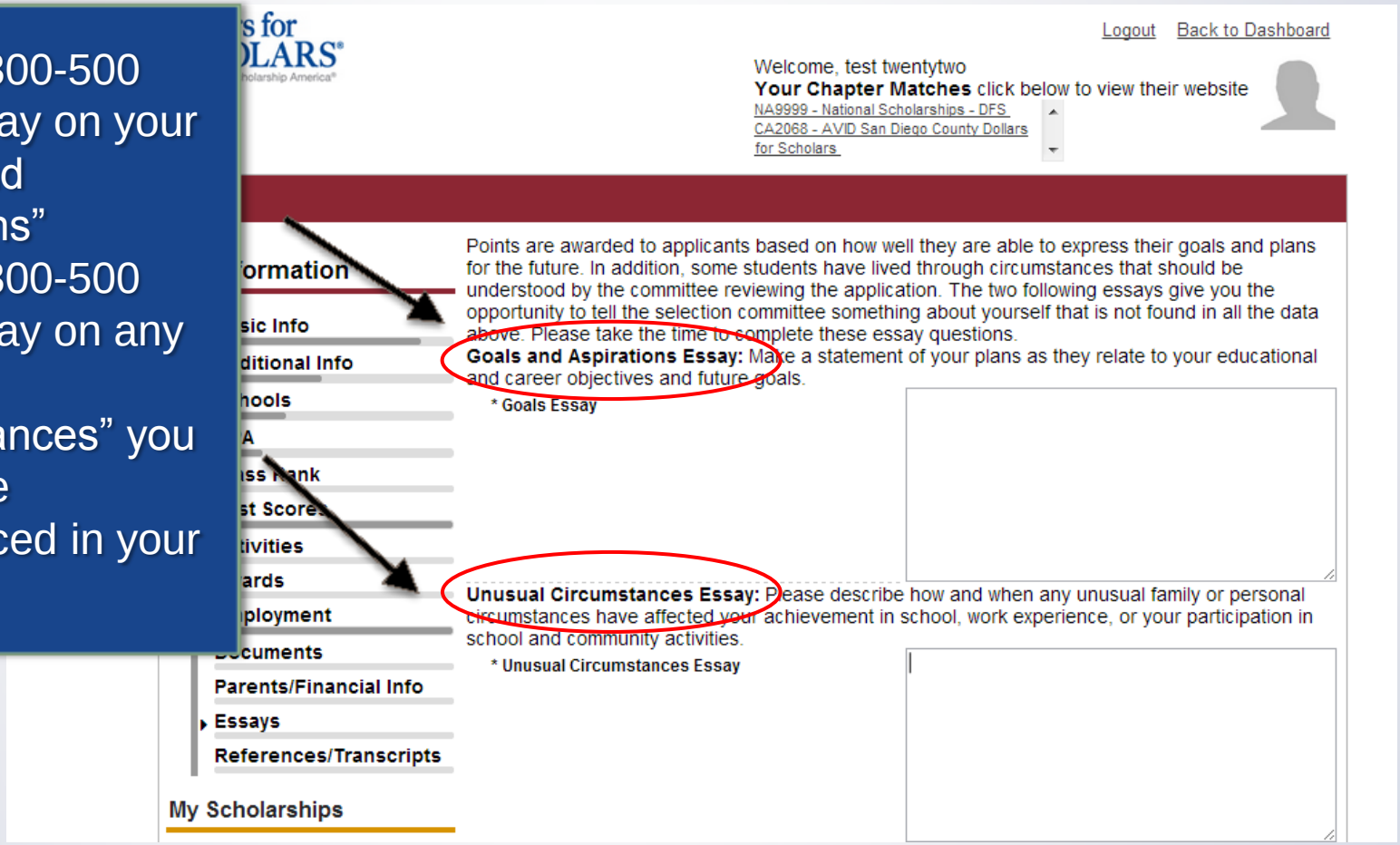
Student Profile: Essays

- Provide 300-500 word essay on your "goals and aspirations"
- Provide 300-500 word essay on any "unusual circumstances" you may have experienced in your life.



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Student Profile: Transcripts & References

- Click to add email for school counselor and for your reference.
- They will receive an email from Scholarship America to obtain their own login so they can enter required information.

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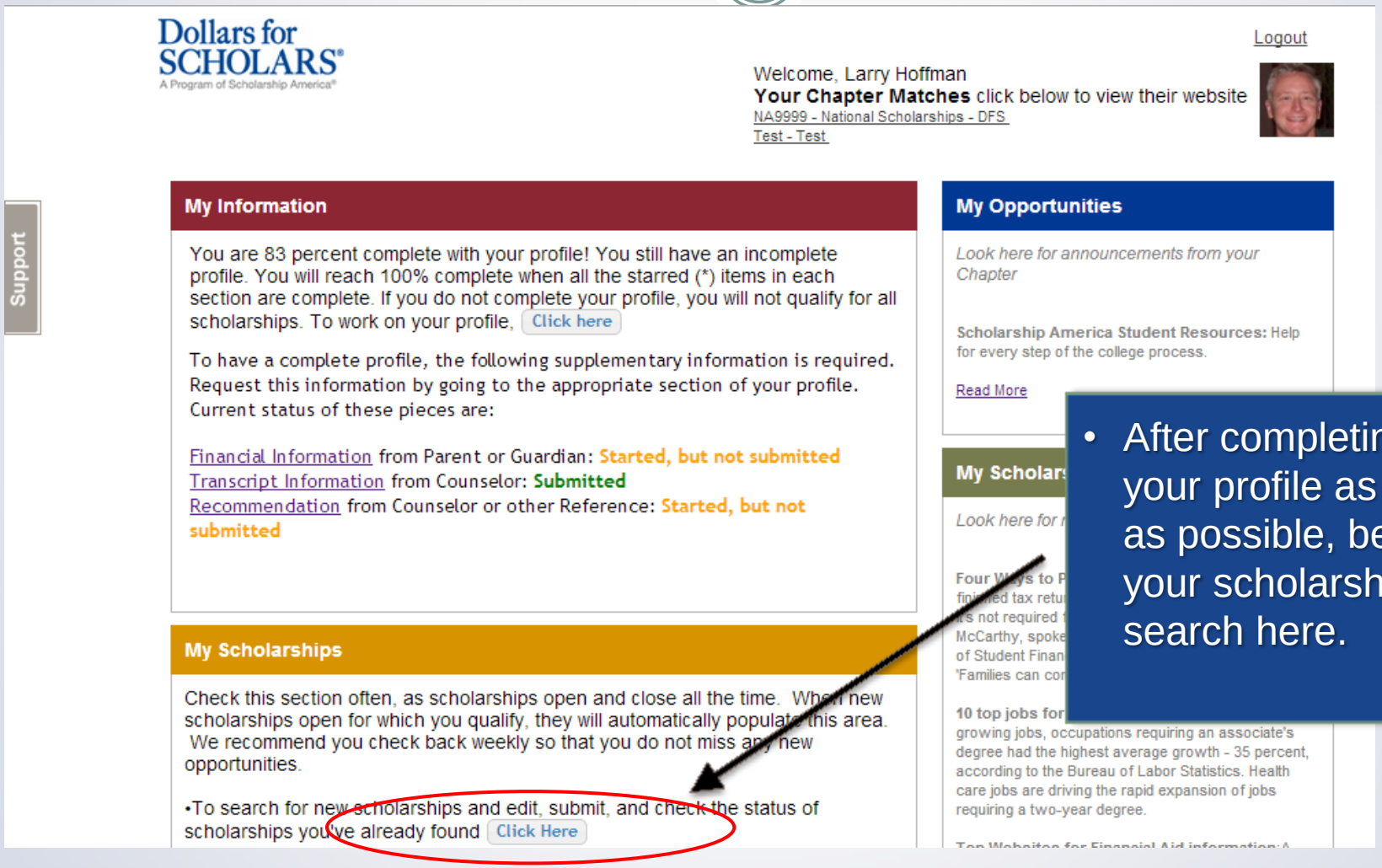
Student Profile: Finding Scholarships



- After completing your profile as much as possible, begin your scholarship search here.

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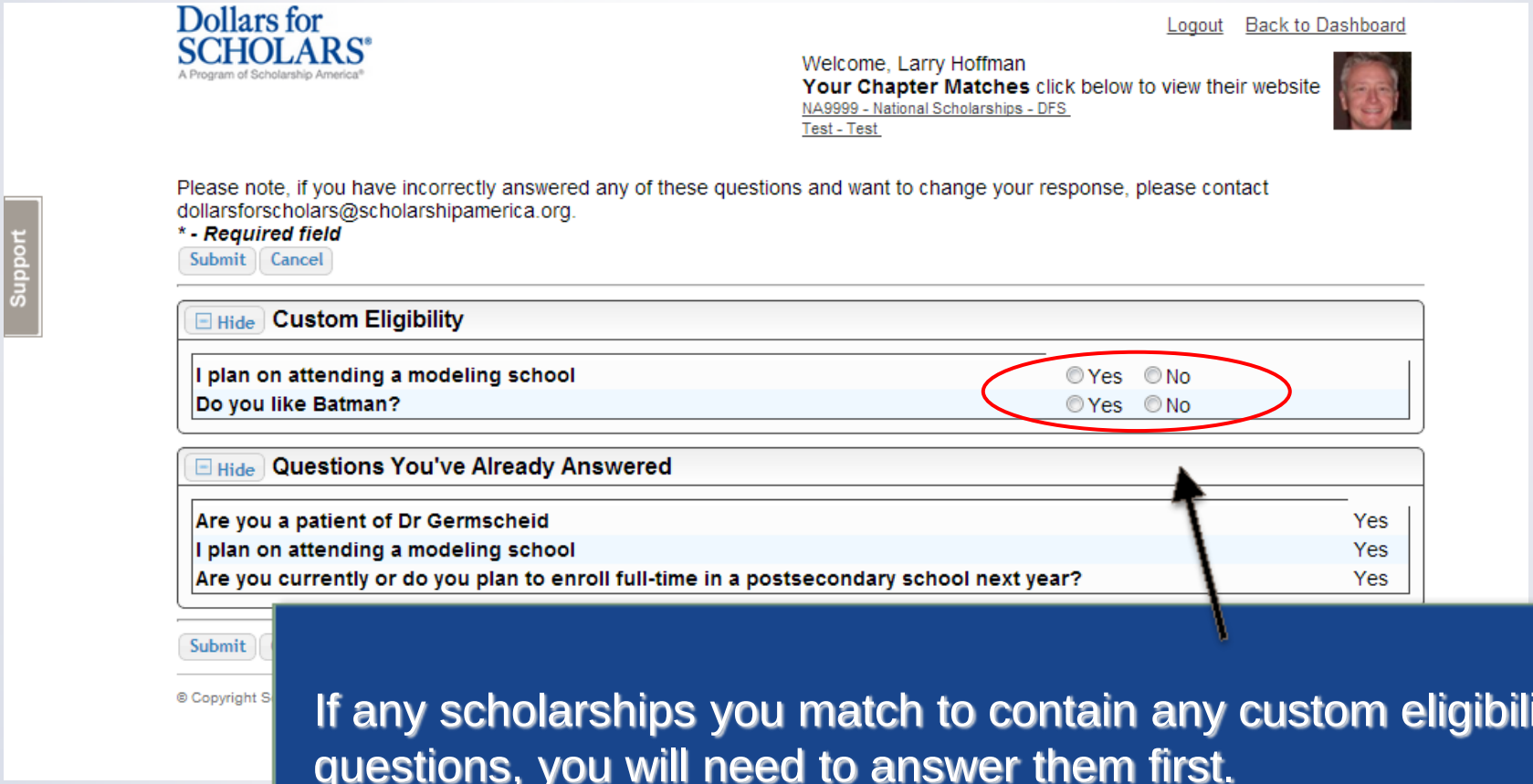
Student Profile: Scholarship Matches



If any scholarships you match to contain any custom eligibility questions, you will need to answer them first.

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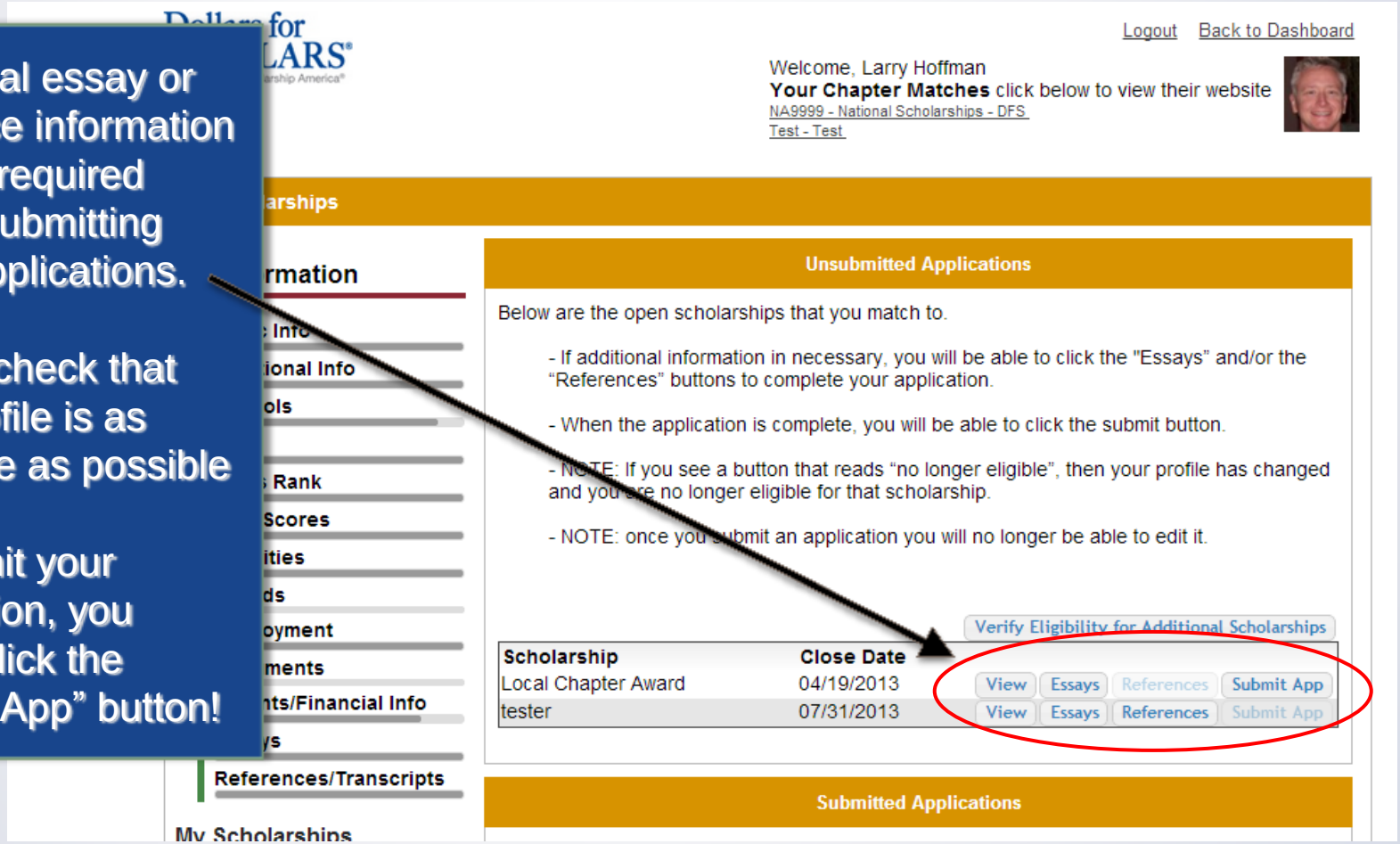
Student Profile: Apply!

- Additional essay or reference information may be required before submitting some applications.
- Double check that your profile is as complete as possible
- To submit your application, you MUST click the "Submit App" button!



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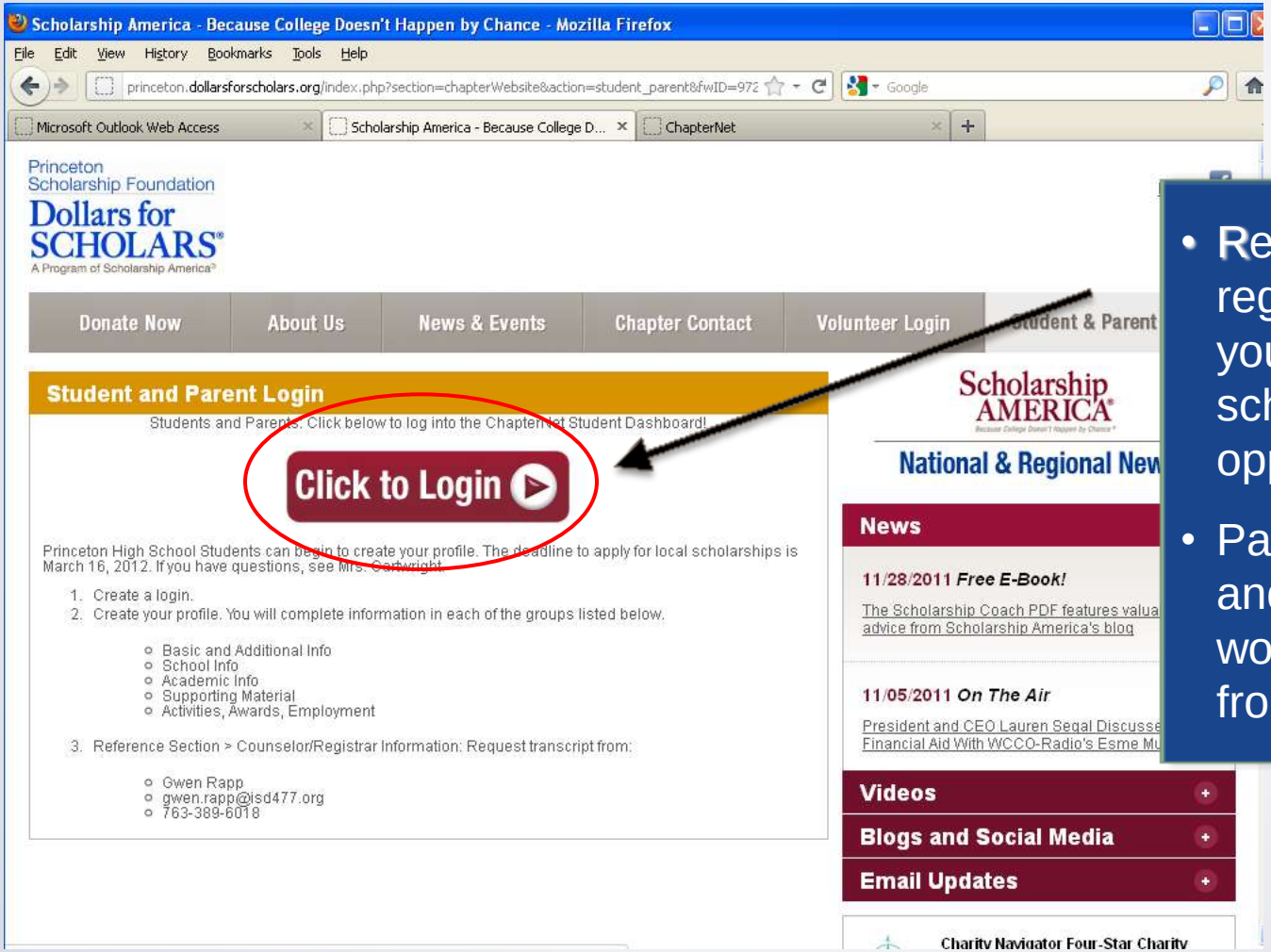

- Return to this page regularly to update your profile and view scholarship opportunities.
- Parents, counselors and references would also login from here.

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