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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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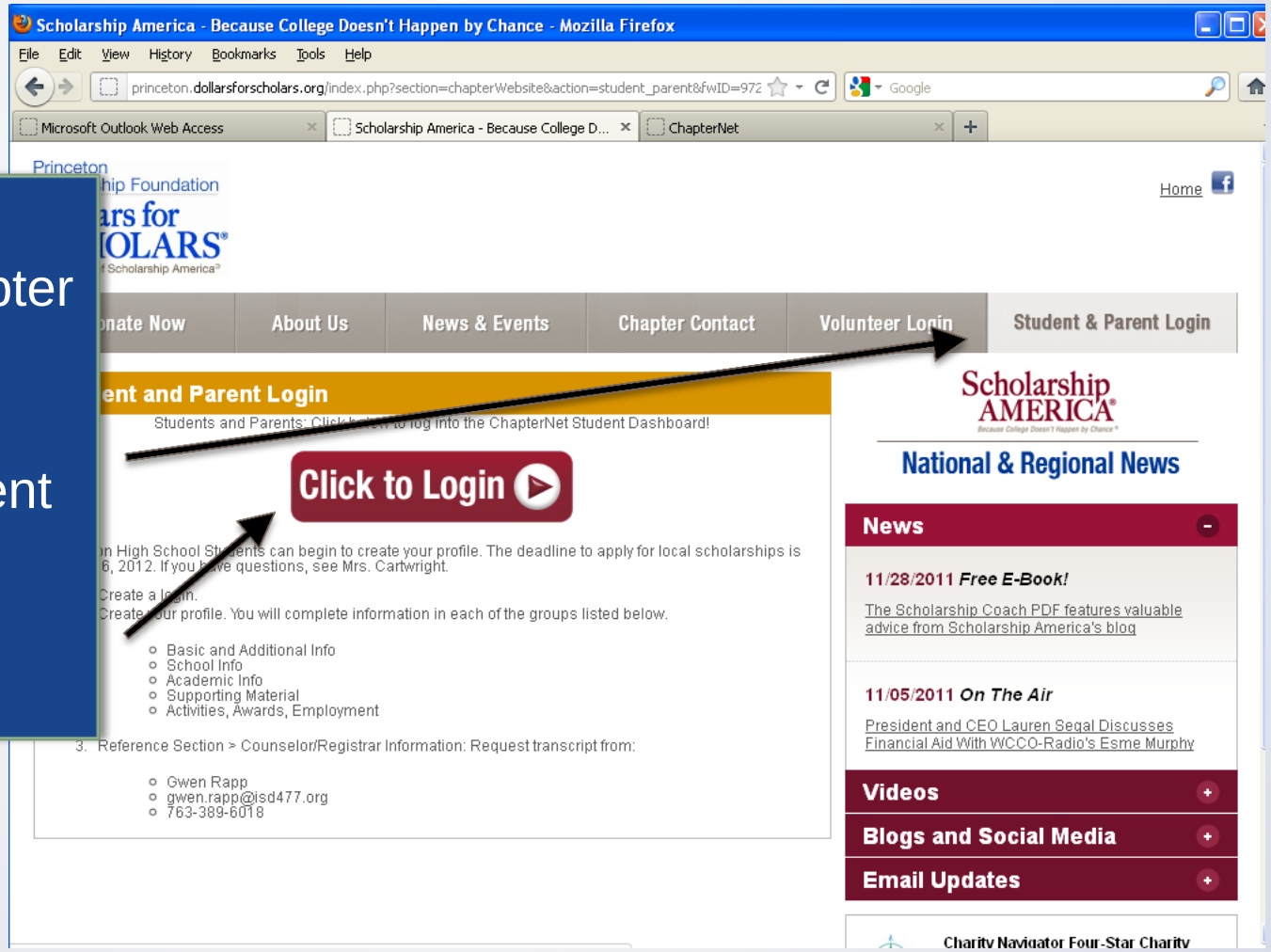
How to Access Scholarships

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



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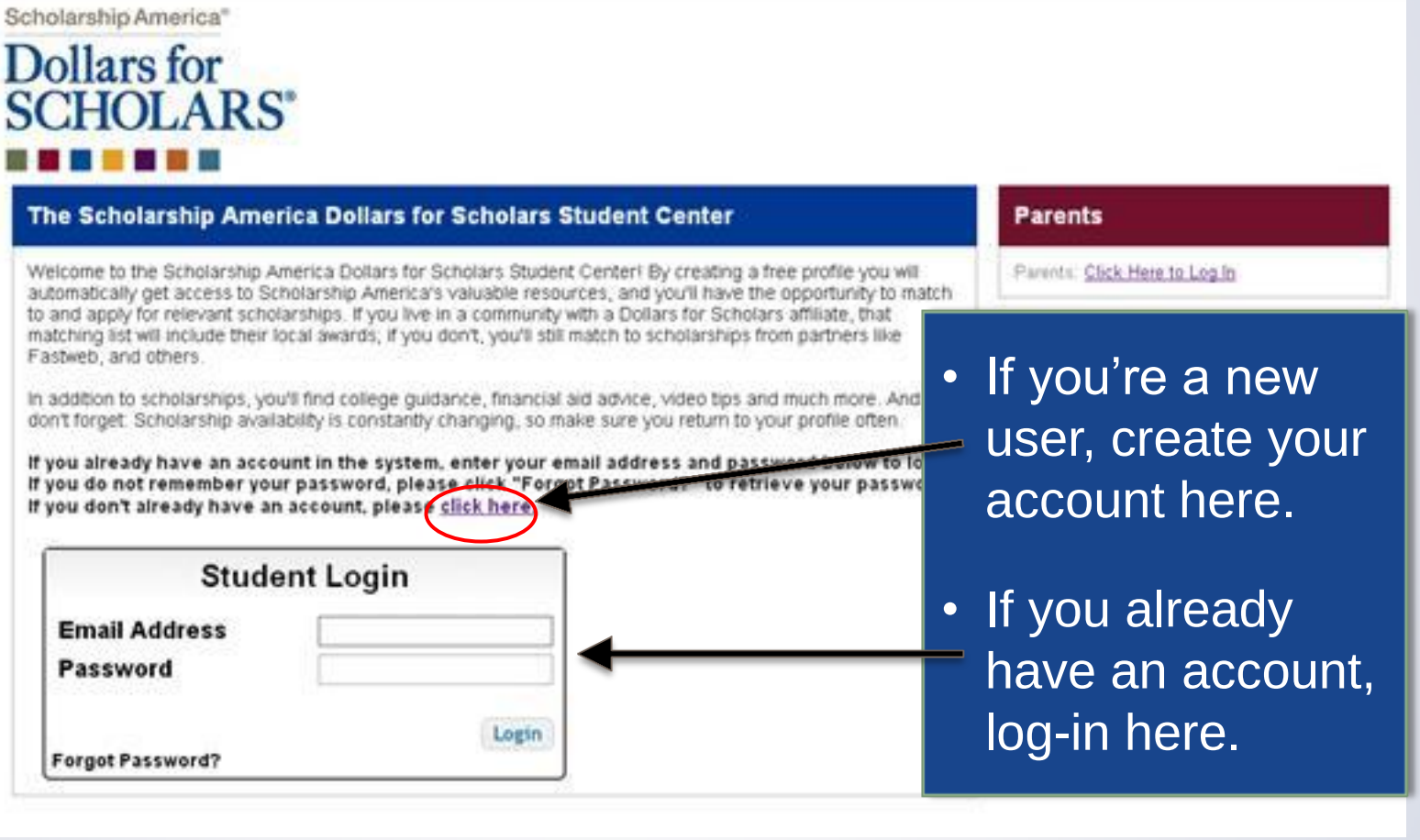

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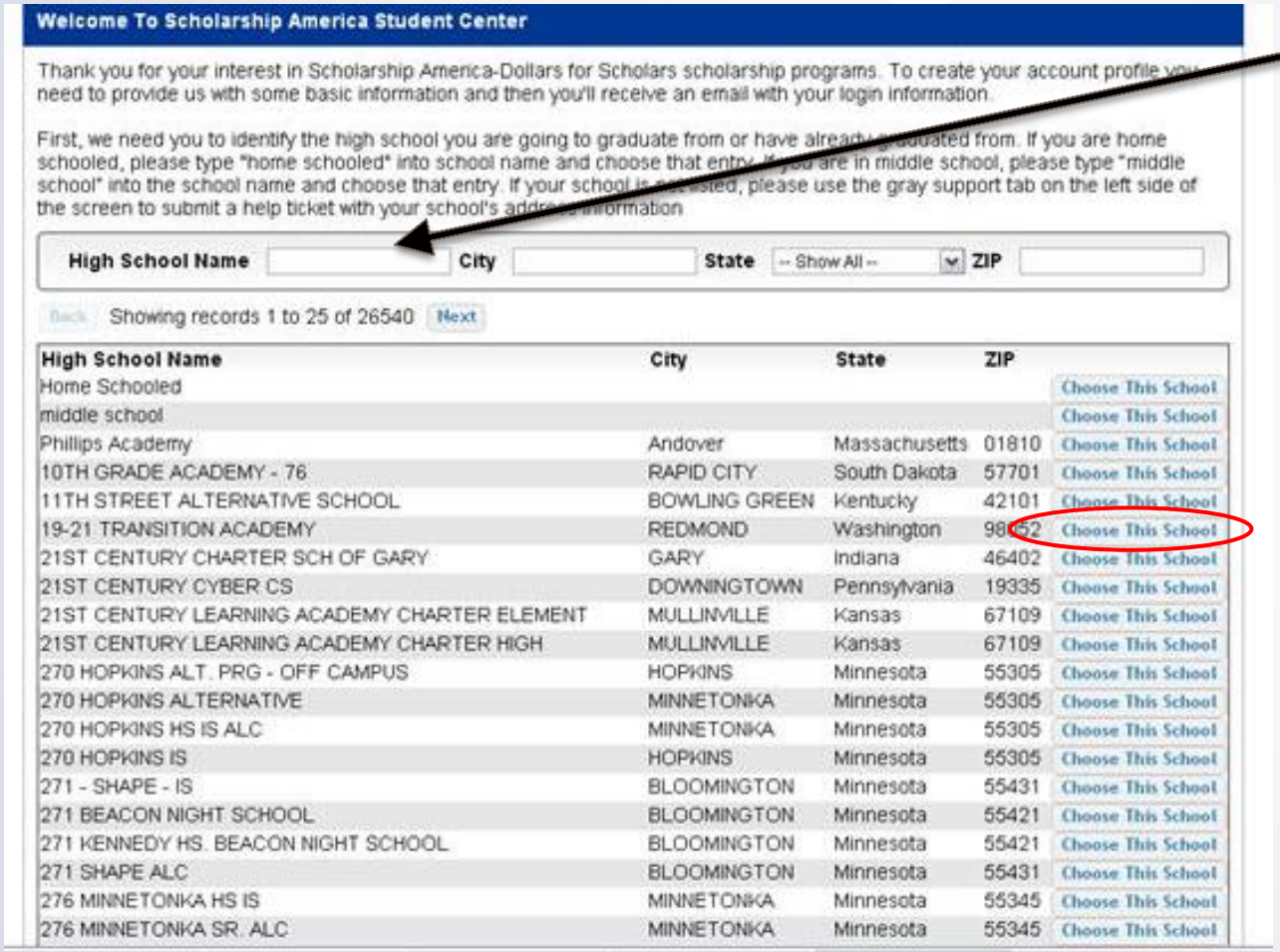
Creating Your Account



- Start by entering the name of your high school.
- If your school name returns too many results, you can filter by the city/state/zip code your school is located in
- Click on “Choose This School” when your high school appears.

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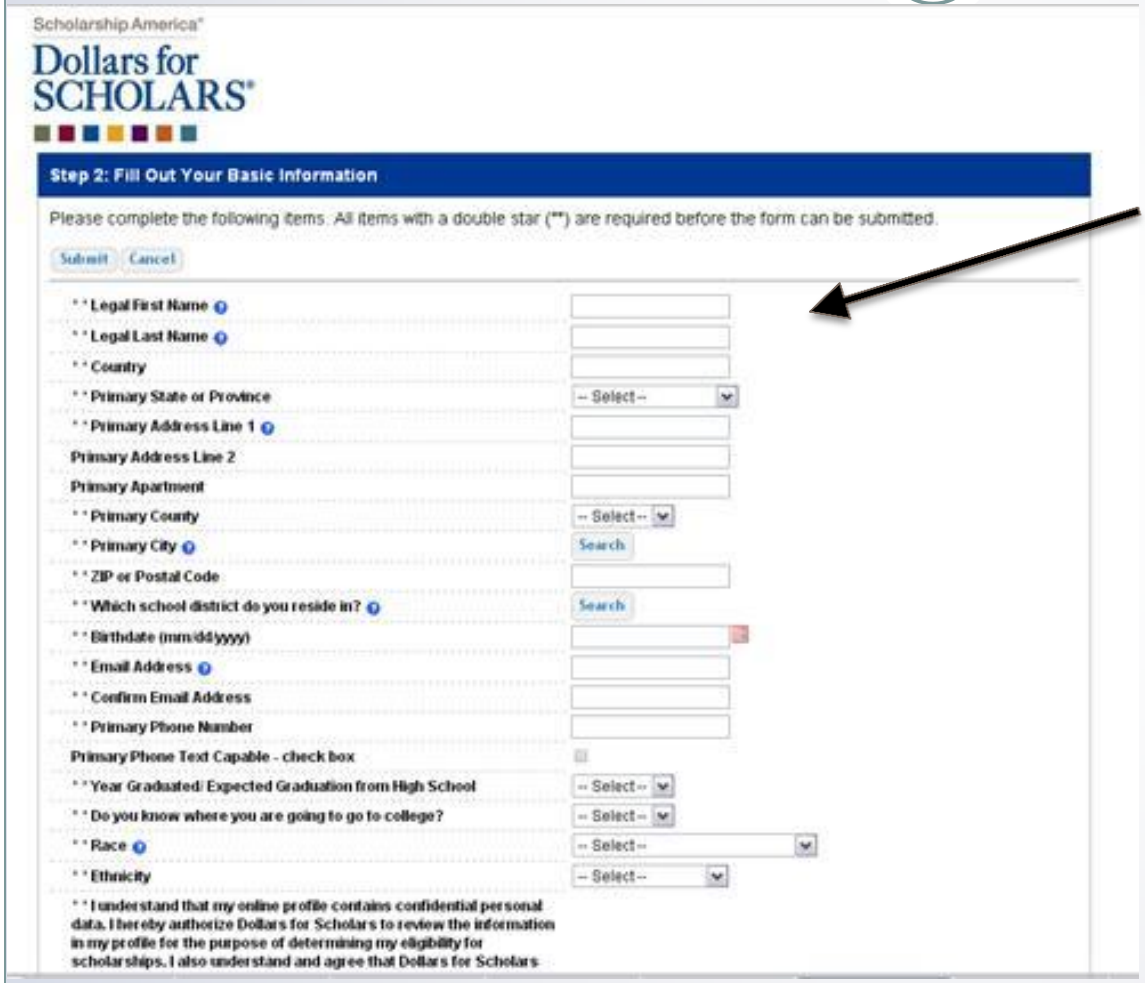

- Start filling out your profile by entering your information.
- Once this is complete, you will receive an email to verify your email address, and will then be directed to the student dashboard to establish your password.

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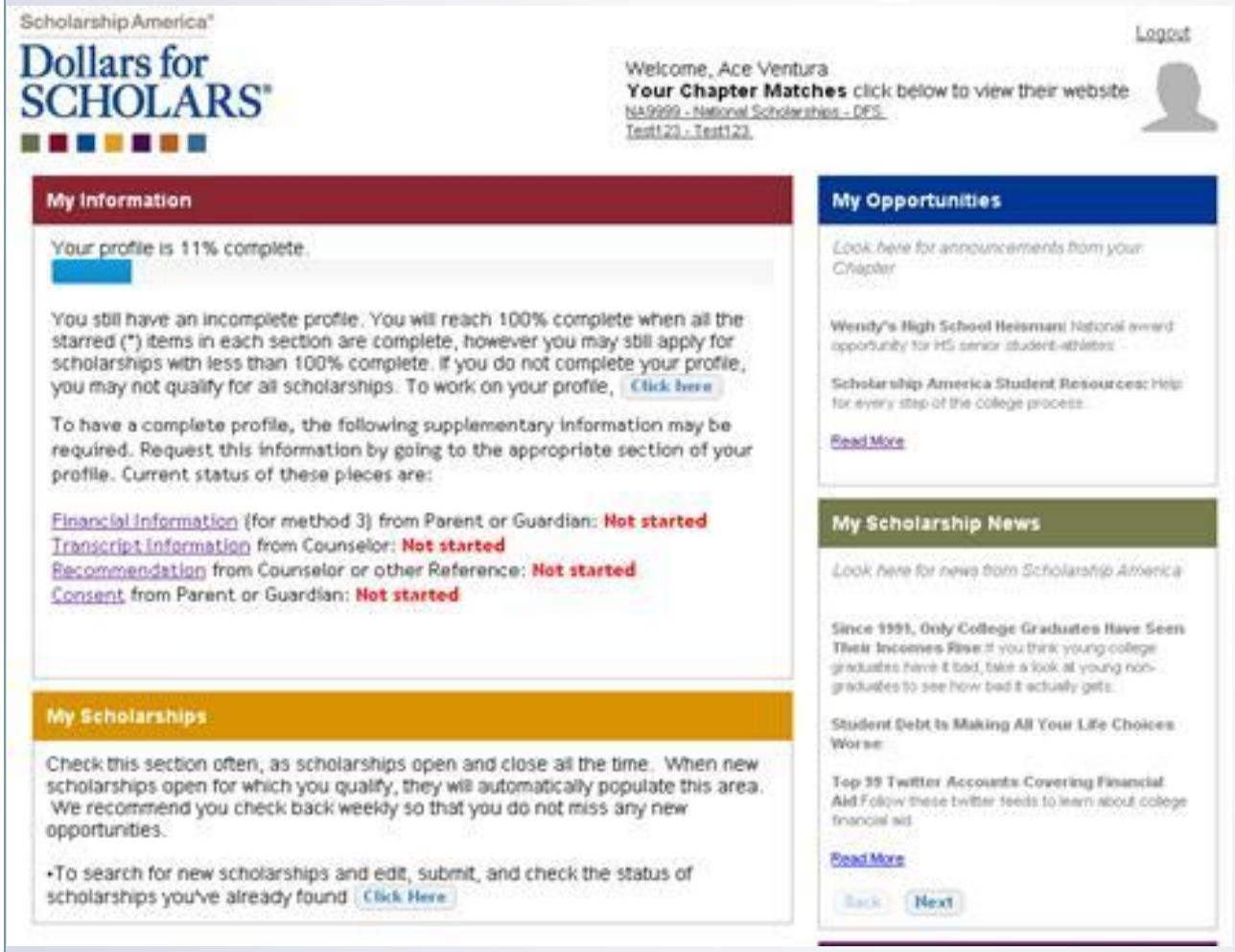
Welcome to the Student Dashboard!



The Student Dashboard lets you…

1. View your progress.
2. View local chapter matches and opportunities.
3. Link to national news and resources.
4. Search for scholarships!

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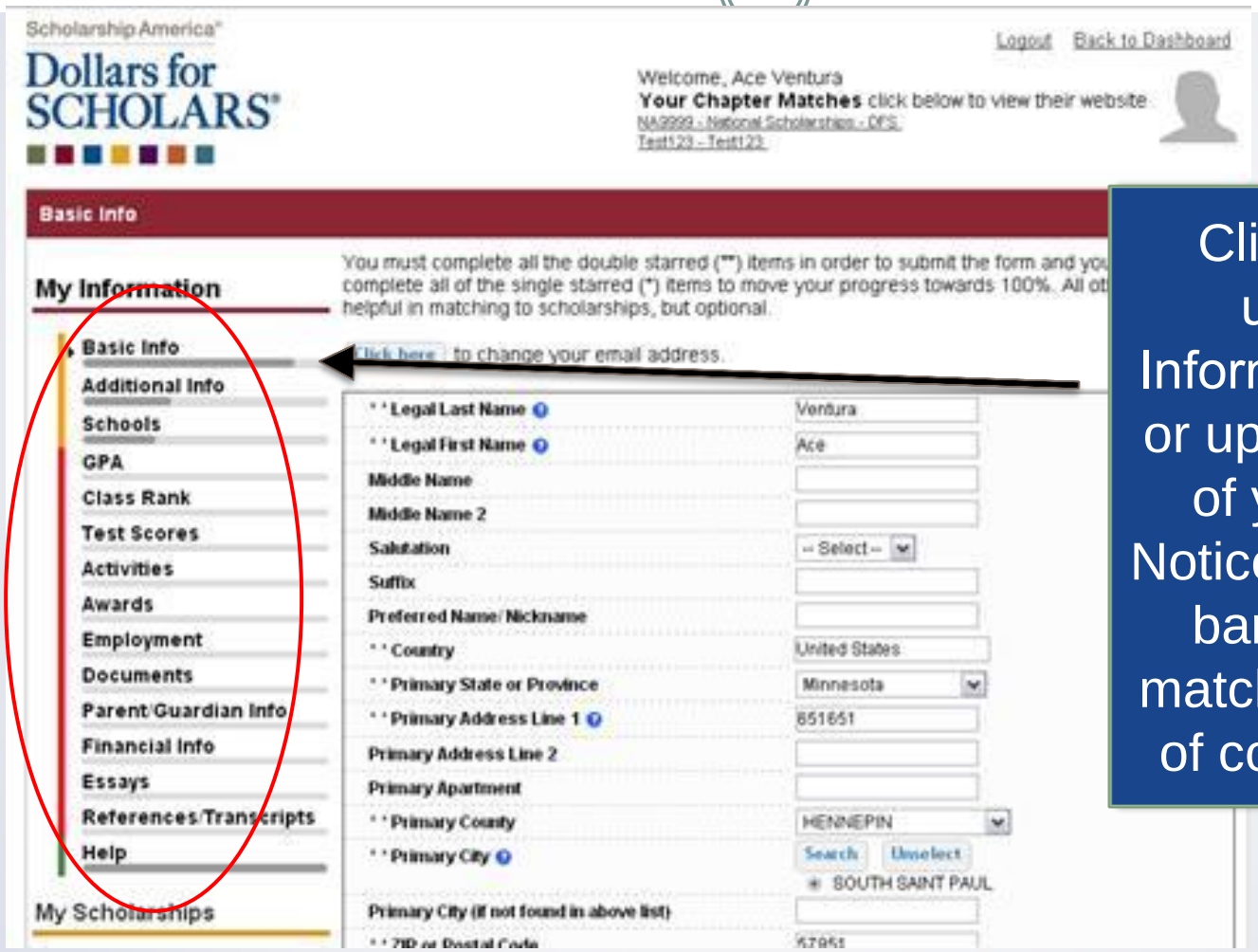
Your Student Profile



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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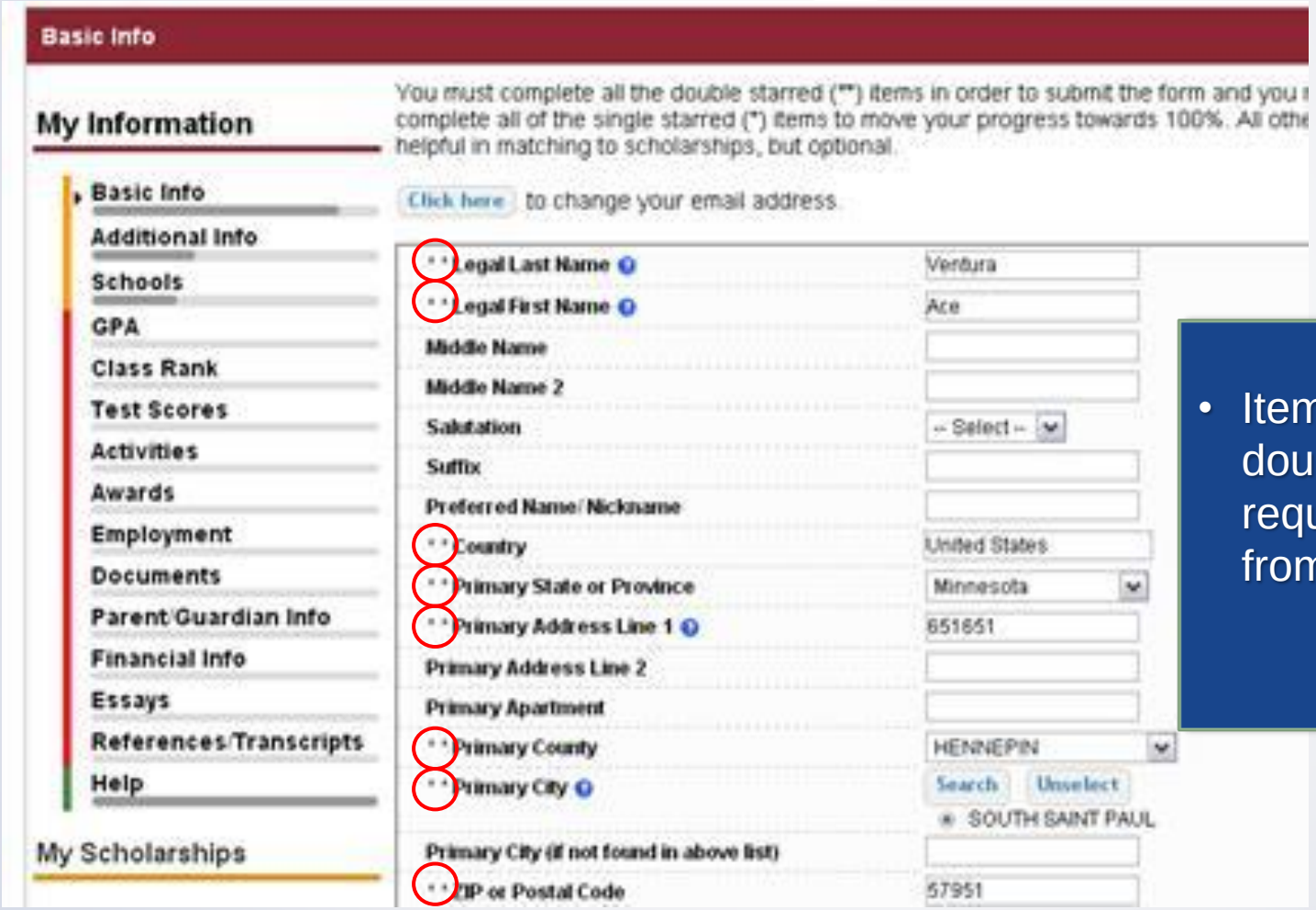
Student Profile: Basic Information



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

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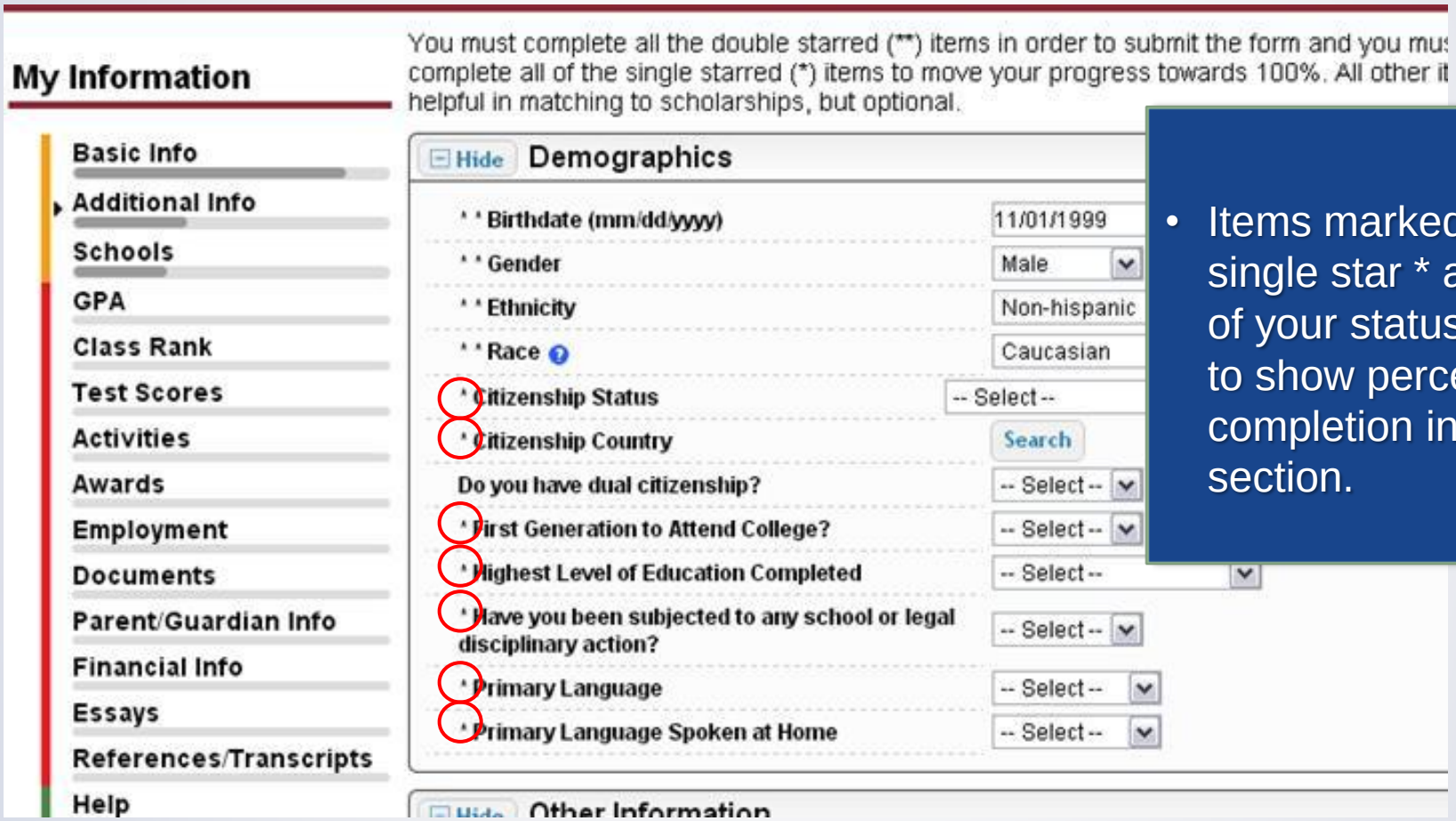
Student Profile: Additional Information



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

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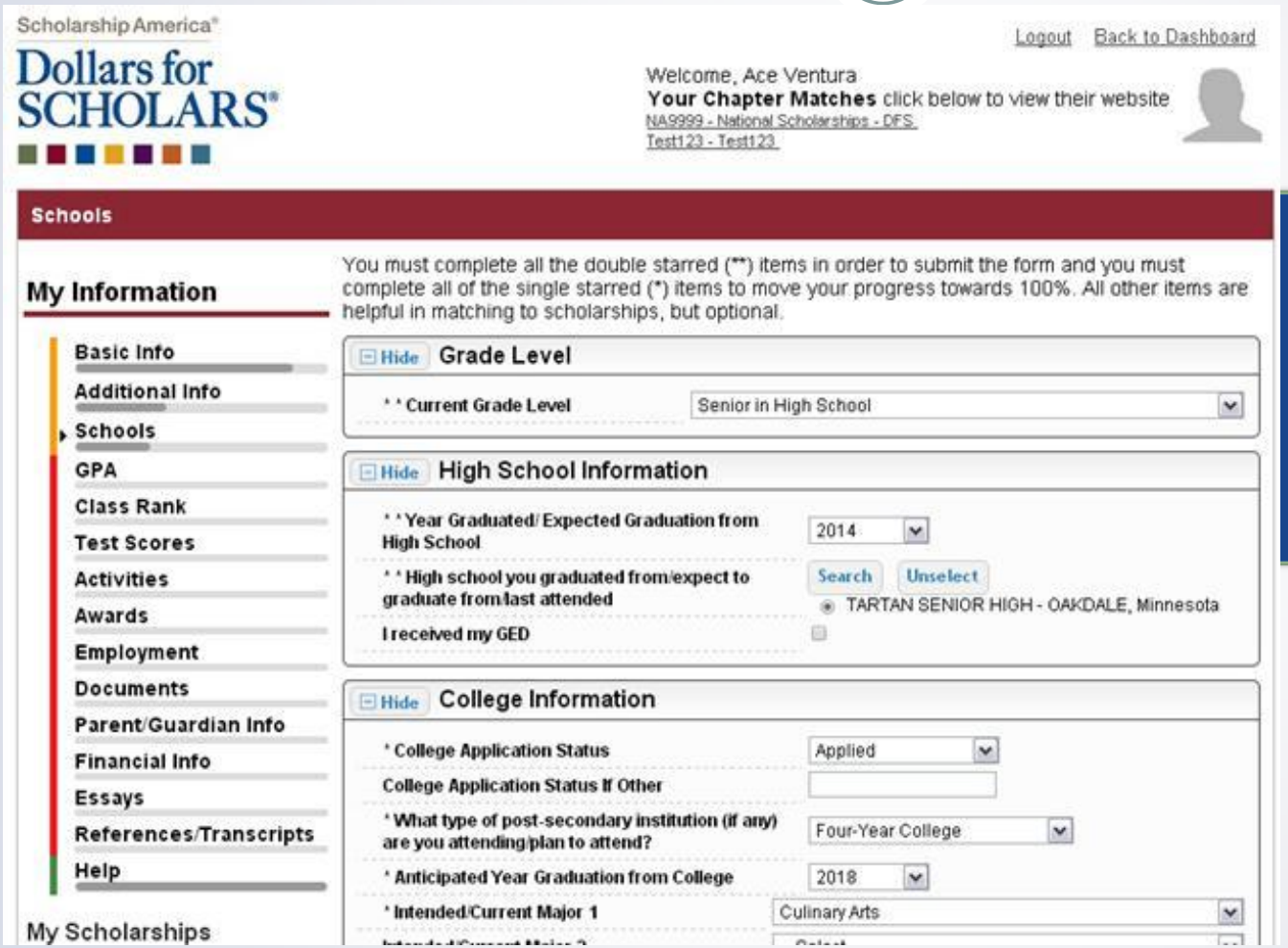
Student Profile: Schools



Be complete and accurate!

This will lead to more scholarship opportunities.

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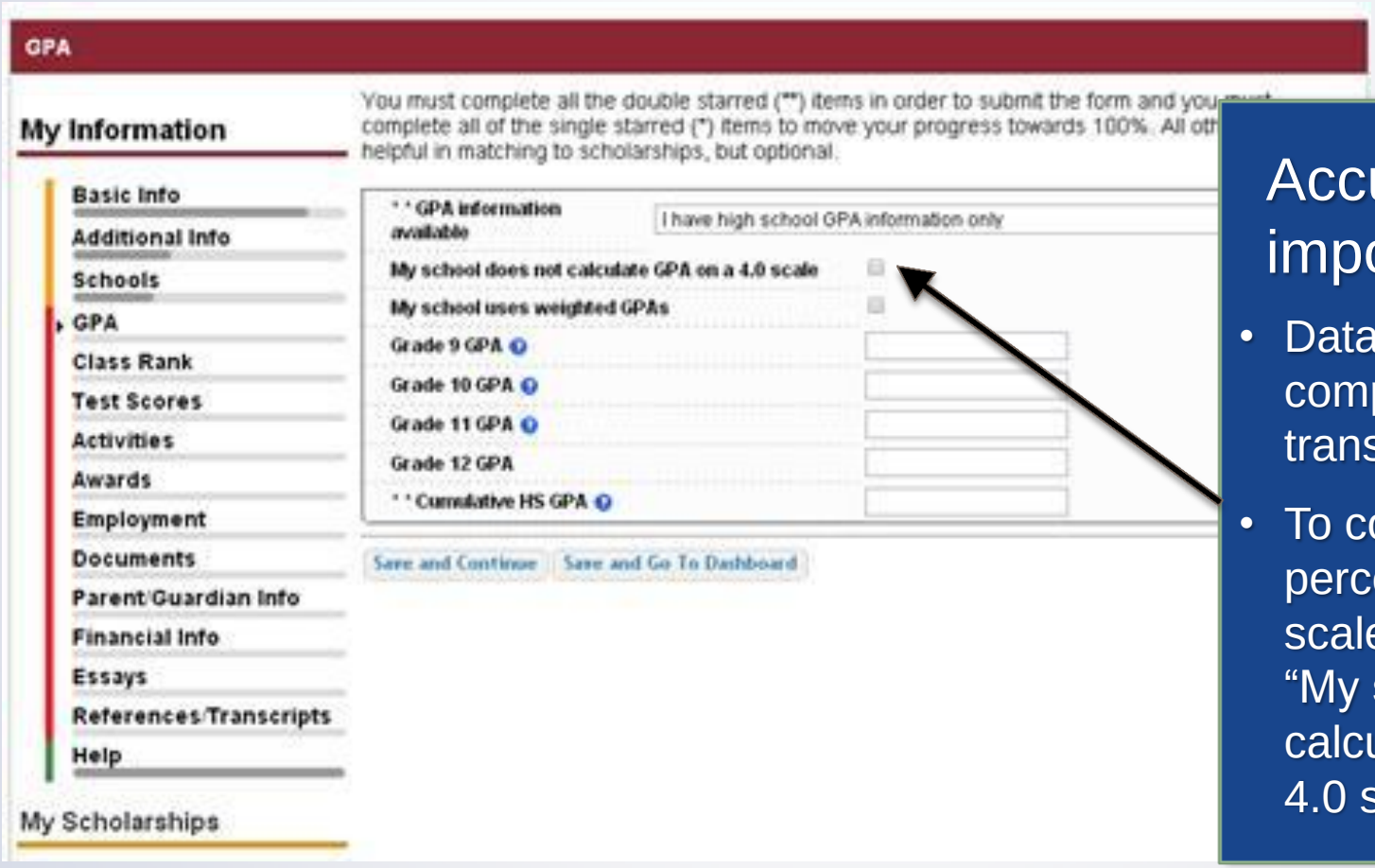
Student Profile: GPA



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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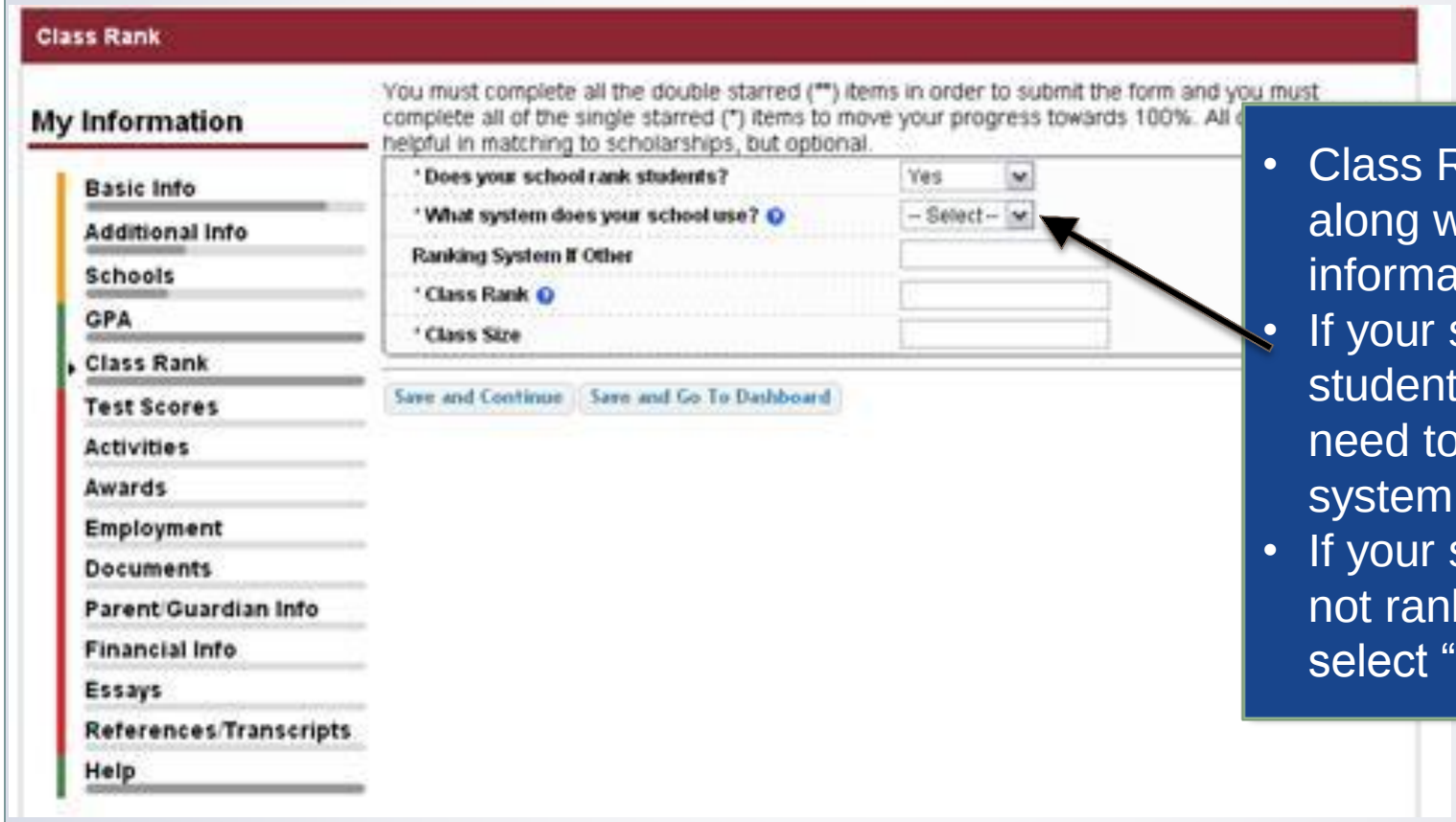
Student Profile: Class Rank



- Class Rank is used along with GPA information.
- If your school ranks students, you will need to indicate the system used
- If your school does not rank students, select “No”.

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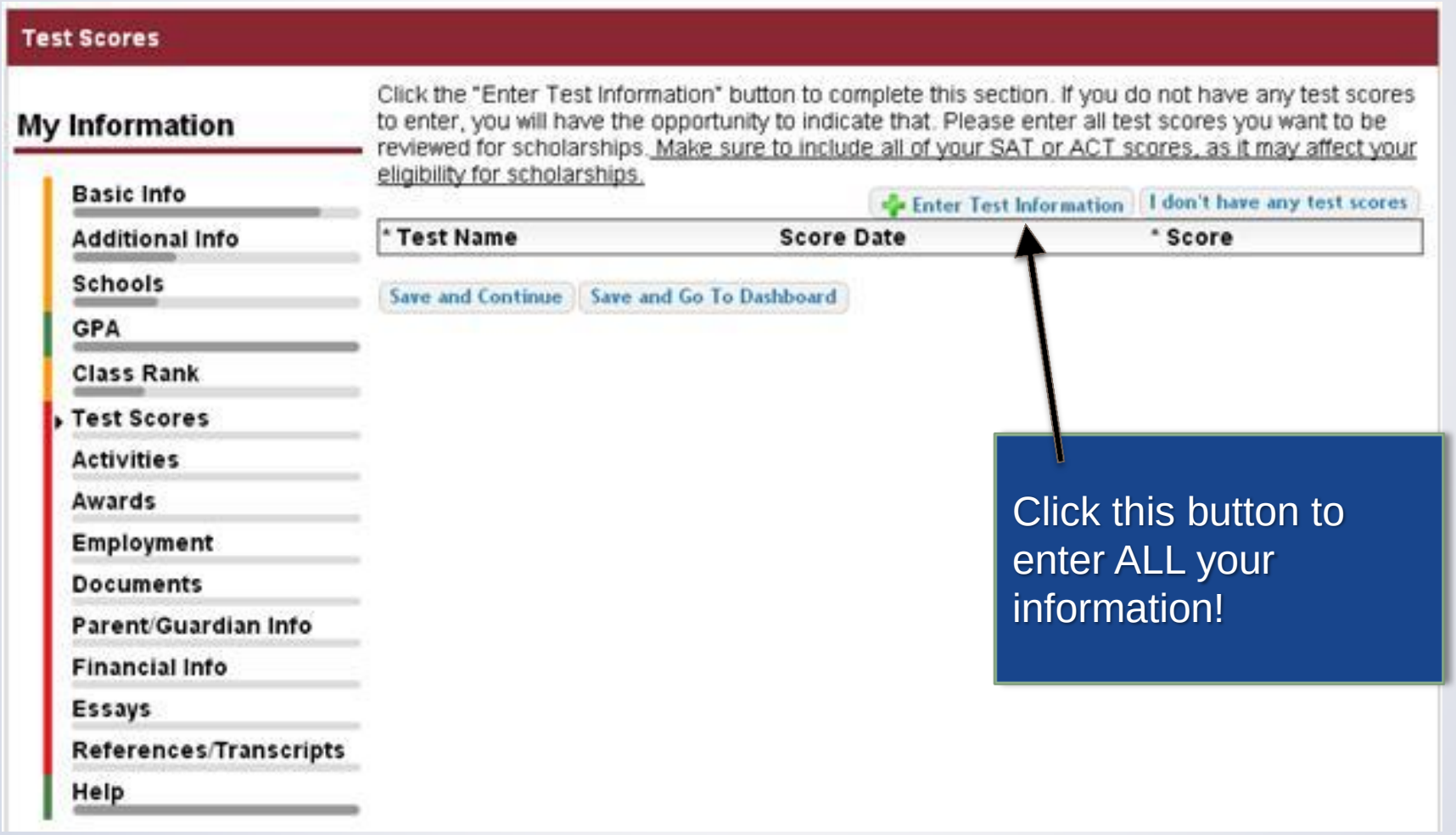
Student Profile: Test Scores



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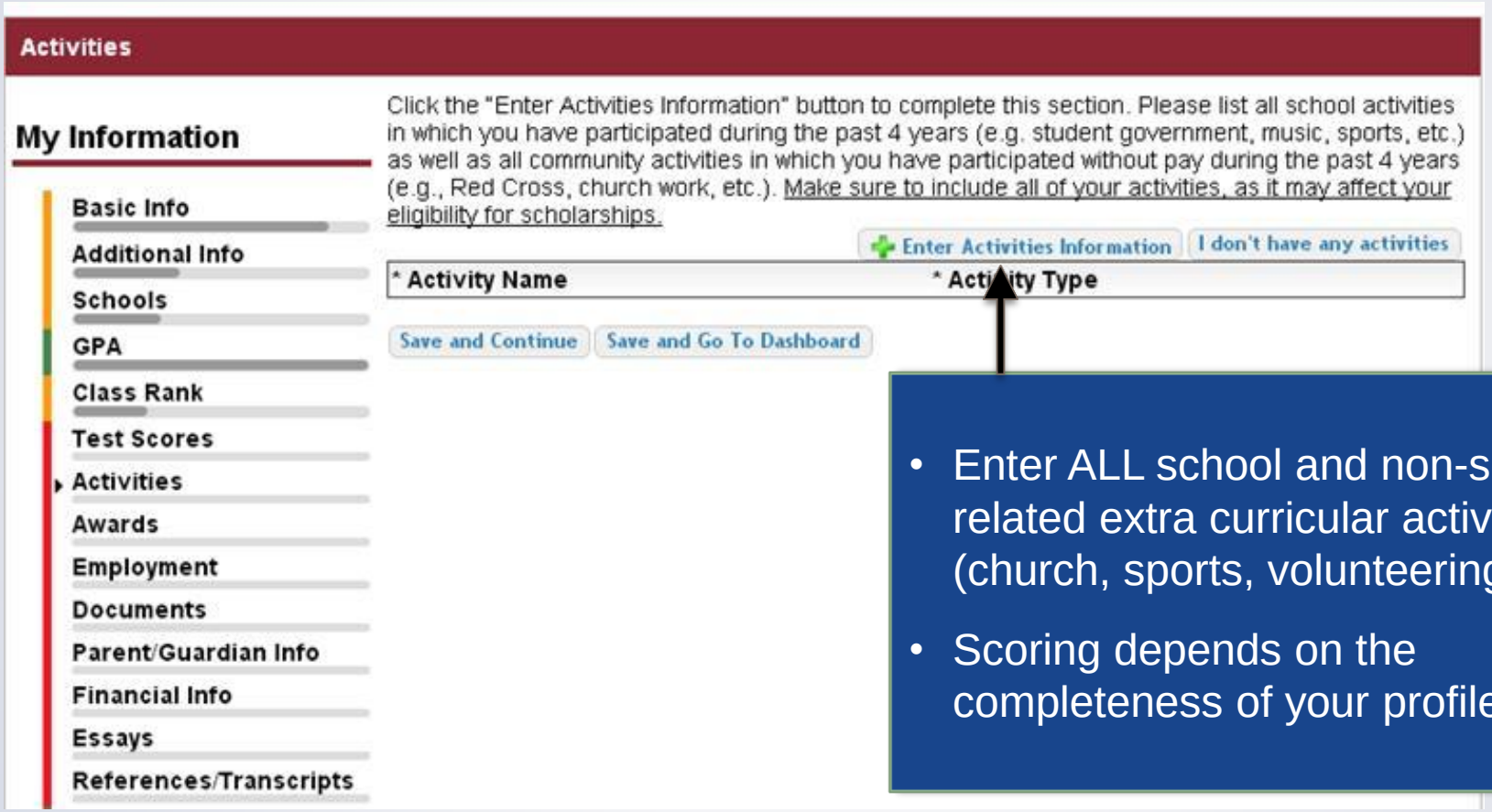
Student Profile: Activities



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

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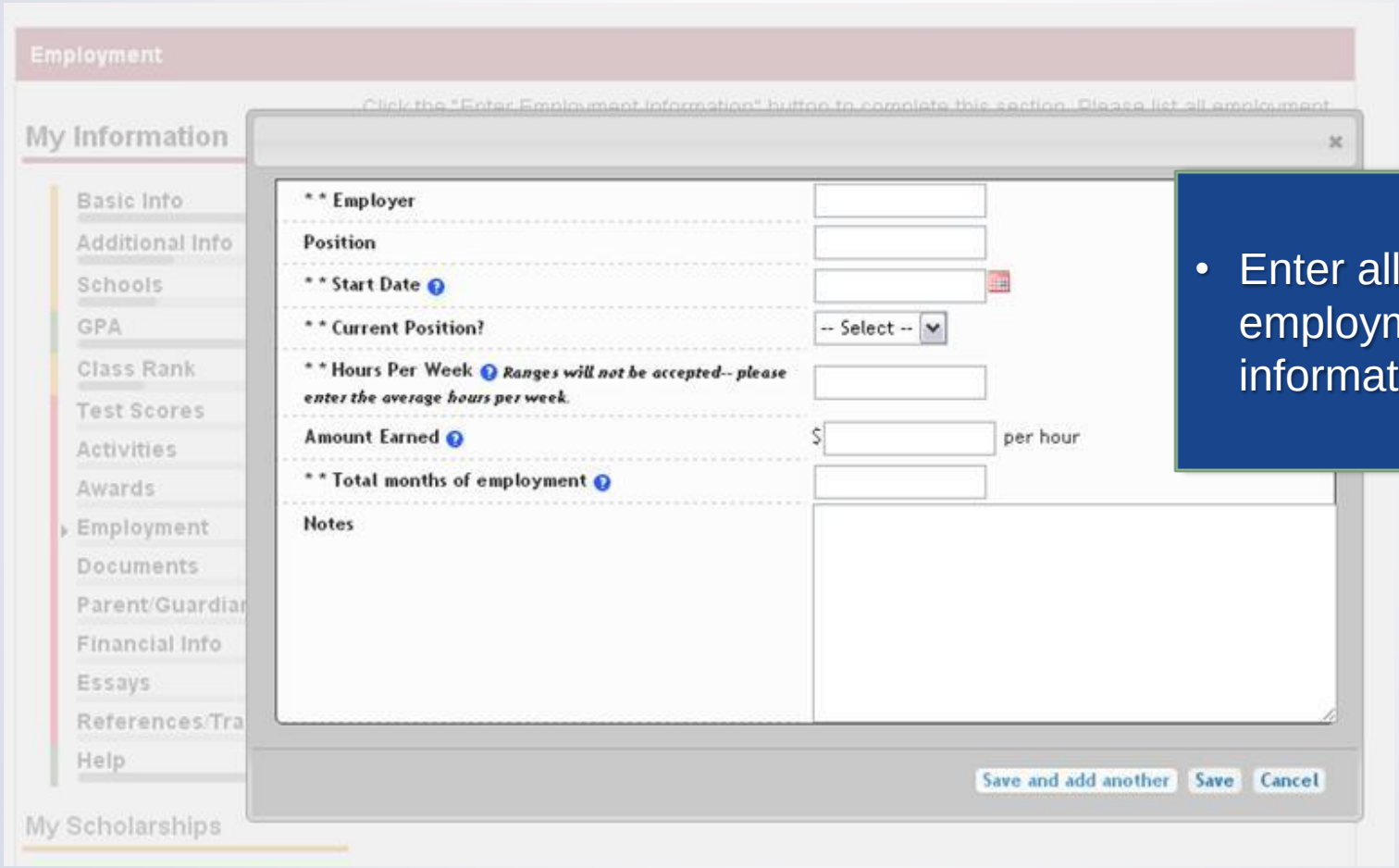
Student Profile: Employment



- Enter all your employment information.

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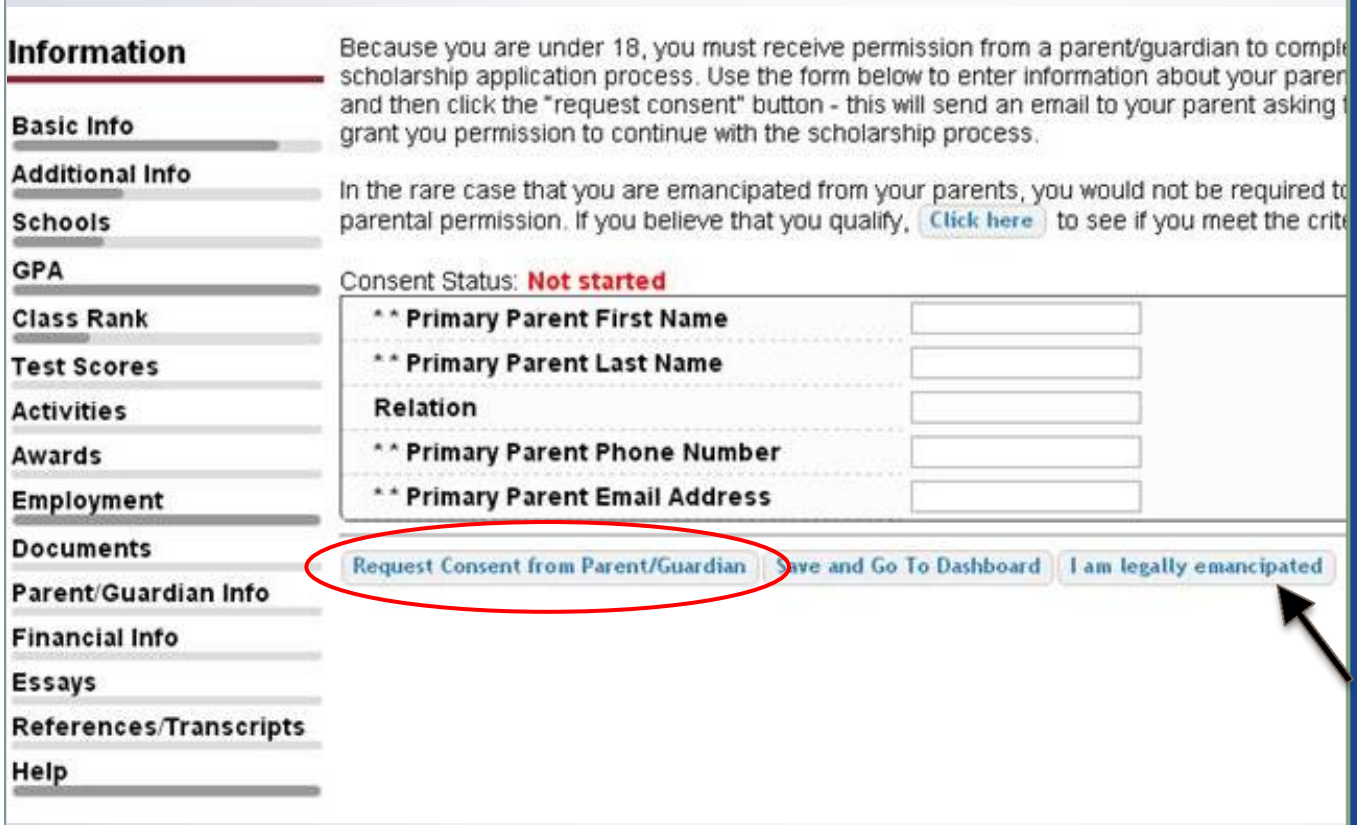
Student Profile: Parent/Guardian Information



- If you're under 18, you need parental consent to apply for scholarships. Enter your parent information and request consent.
- If you are over 18, you do not need consent but can still enter your parent information.
- If you are under 18 but legally emancipated you can click here.

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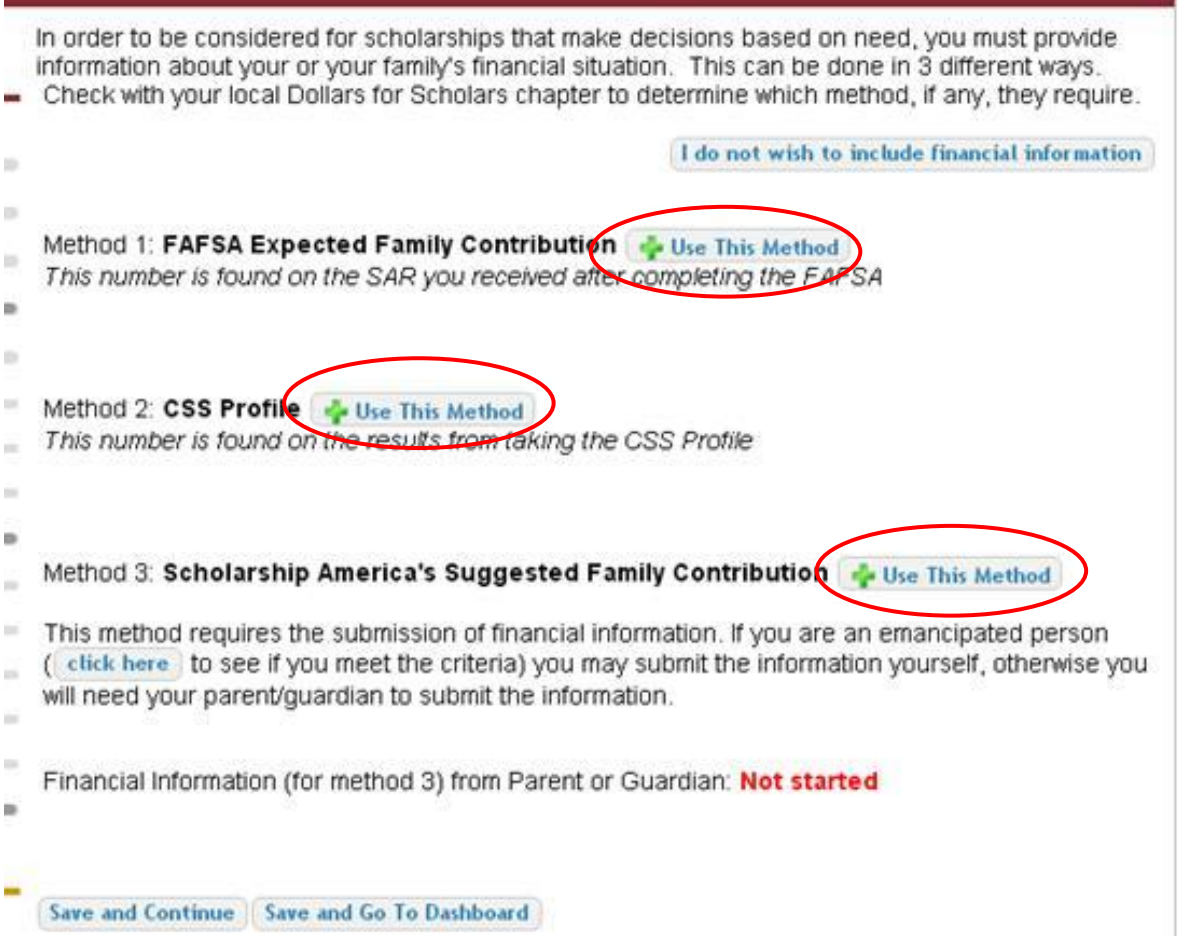
Financial Information



- In order to be considered for needs based scholarships, you need to have financial info in your profile.
- There are three different methods of financial info, you can use one or all of them. Check with your local chapter to confirm which method they use.
- If you do not want to be eligible for needs based scholarships, you can click the “I do not wish to include financial information button”.

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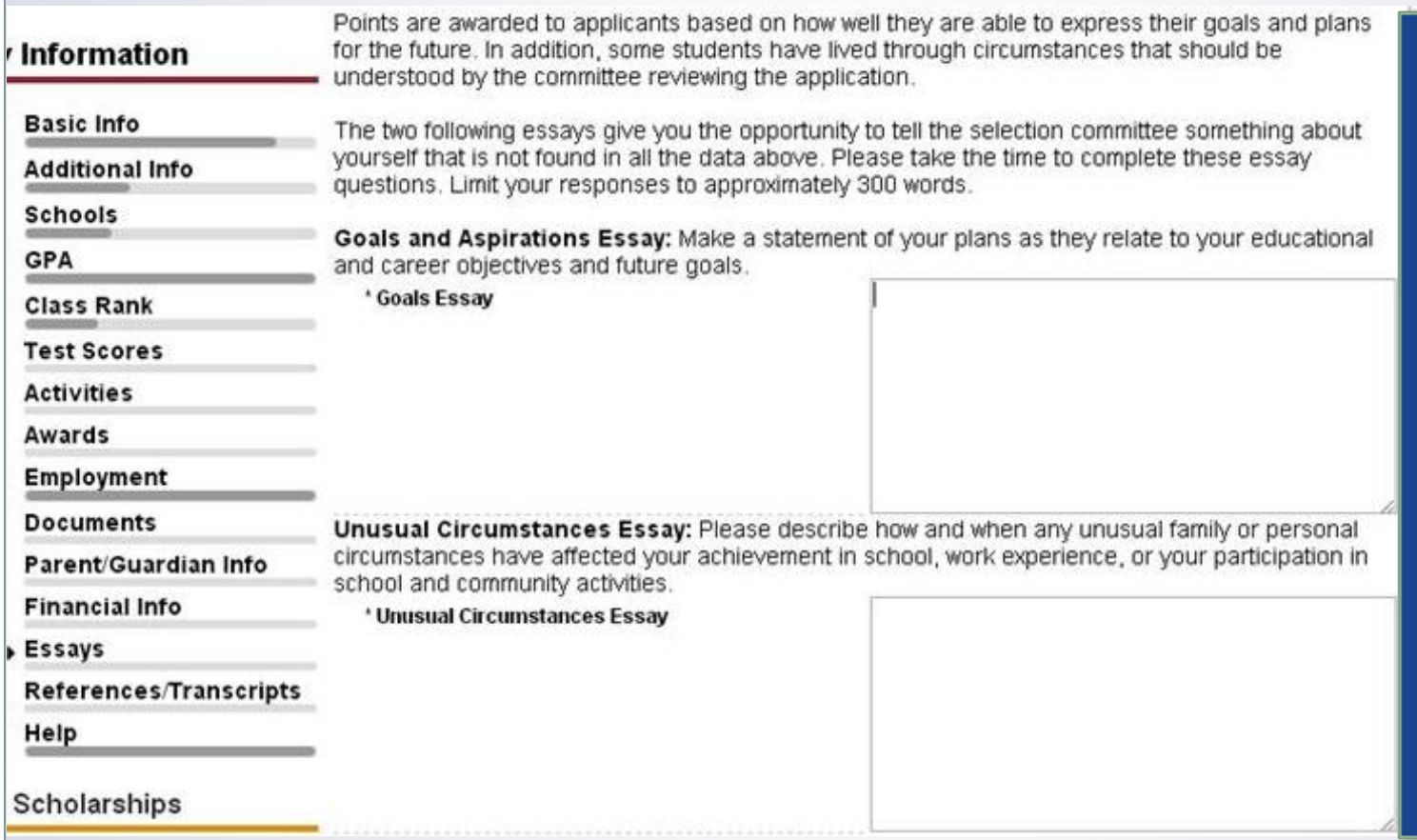
Student Profile: Essays



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

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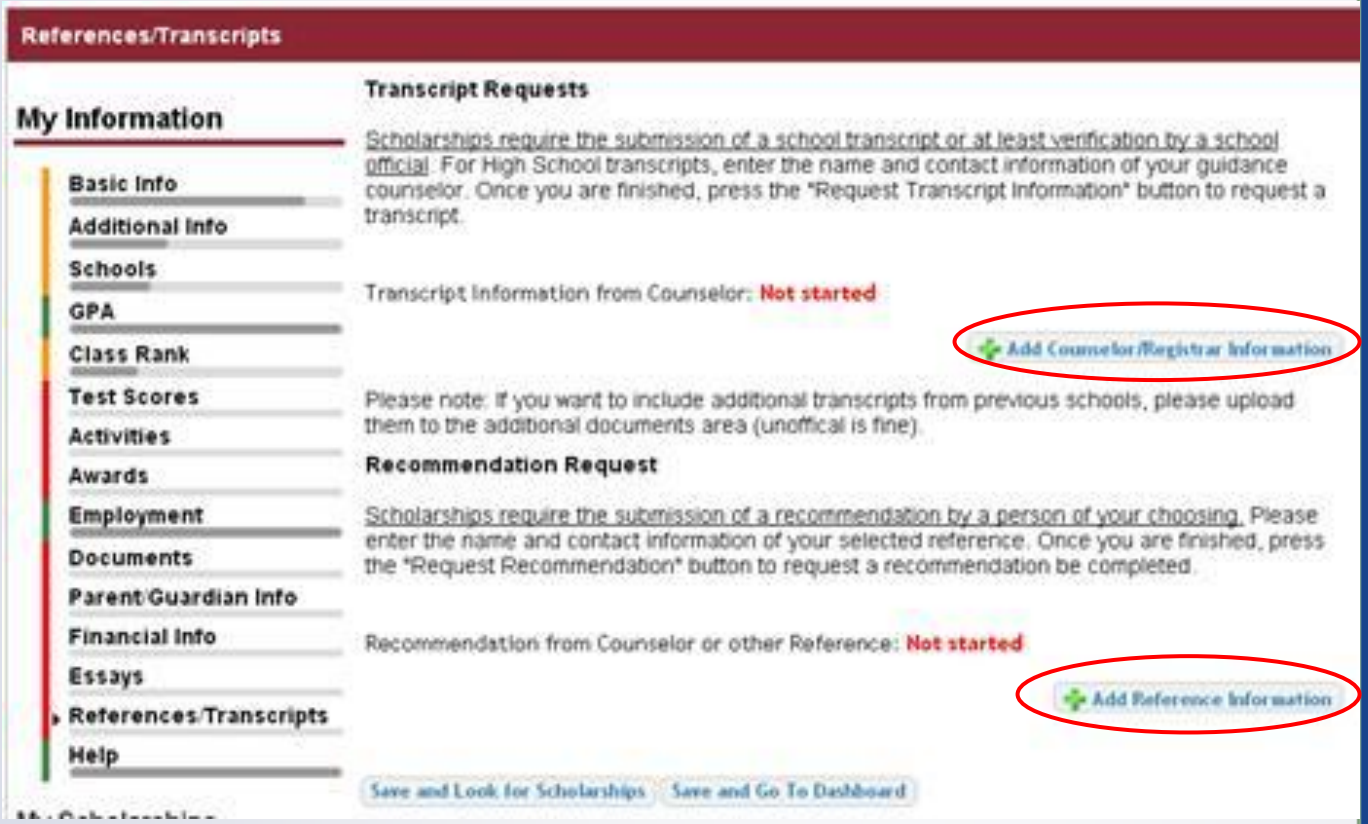
Student Profile: Transcripts & References



- Click to add your counselor/registrar information to request transcript information.
- Click to add reference information to request a recommendation.

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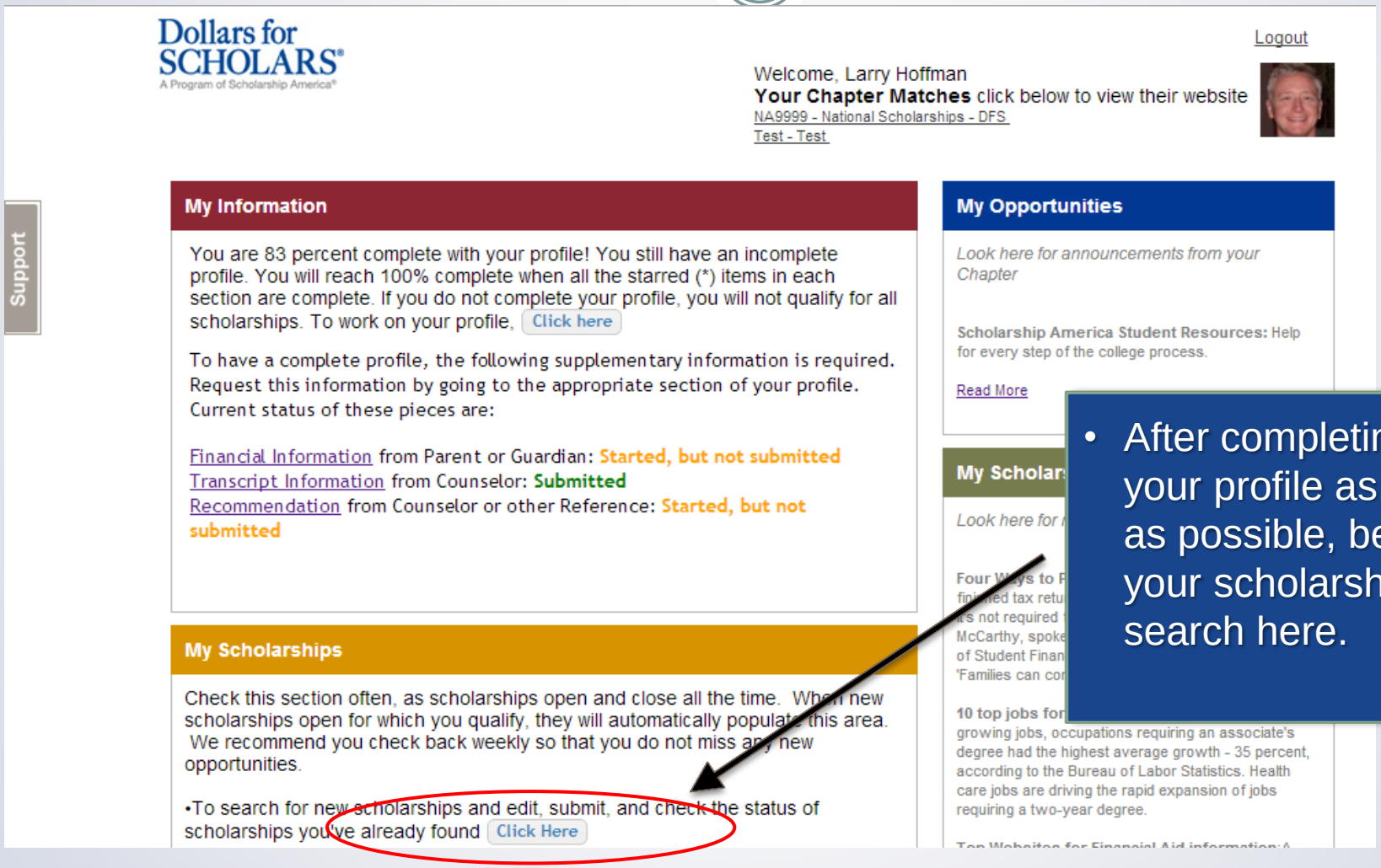
Student Profile: Finding Scholarships



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

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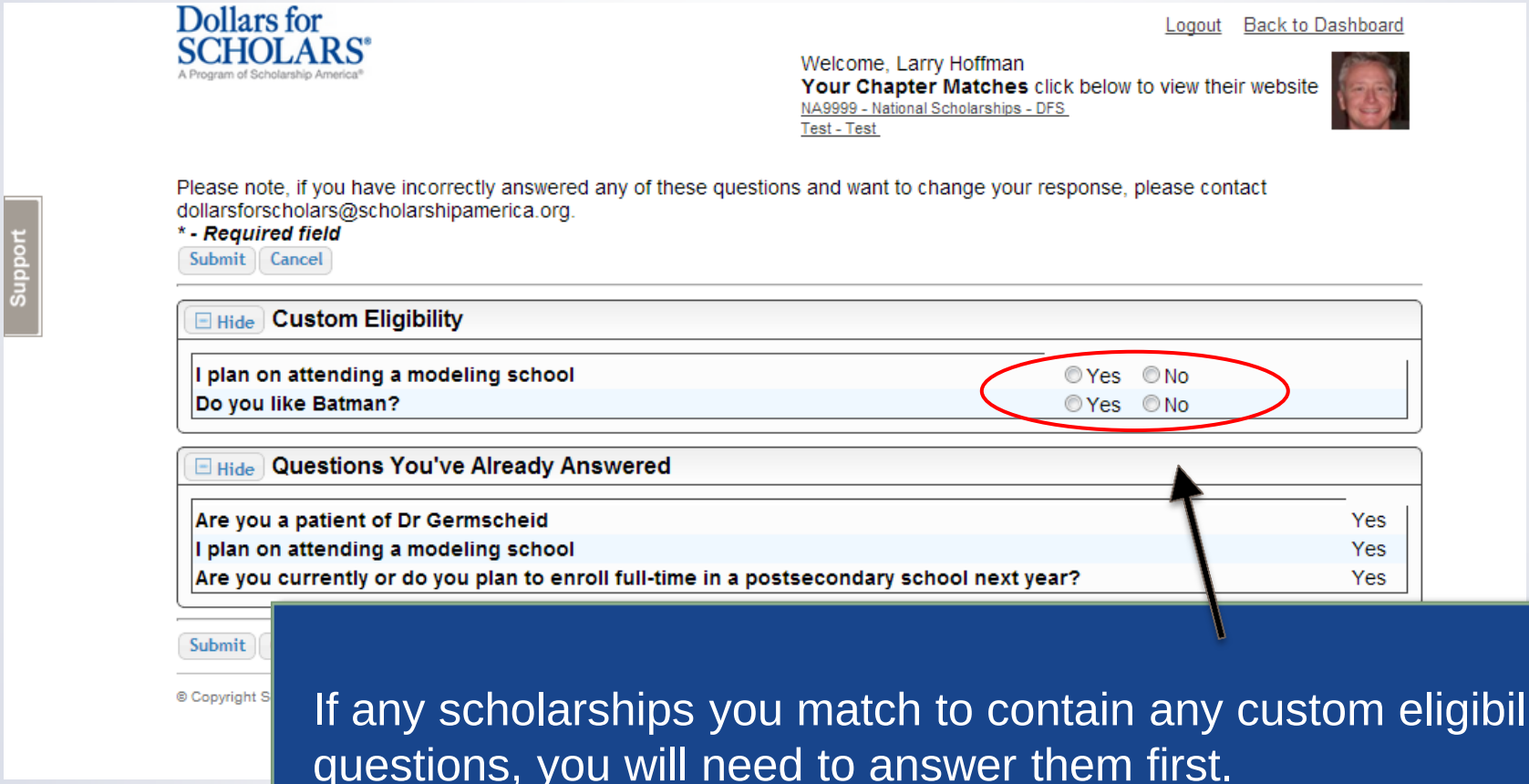
Student Profile: Scholarship Matches



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

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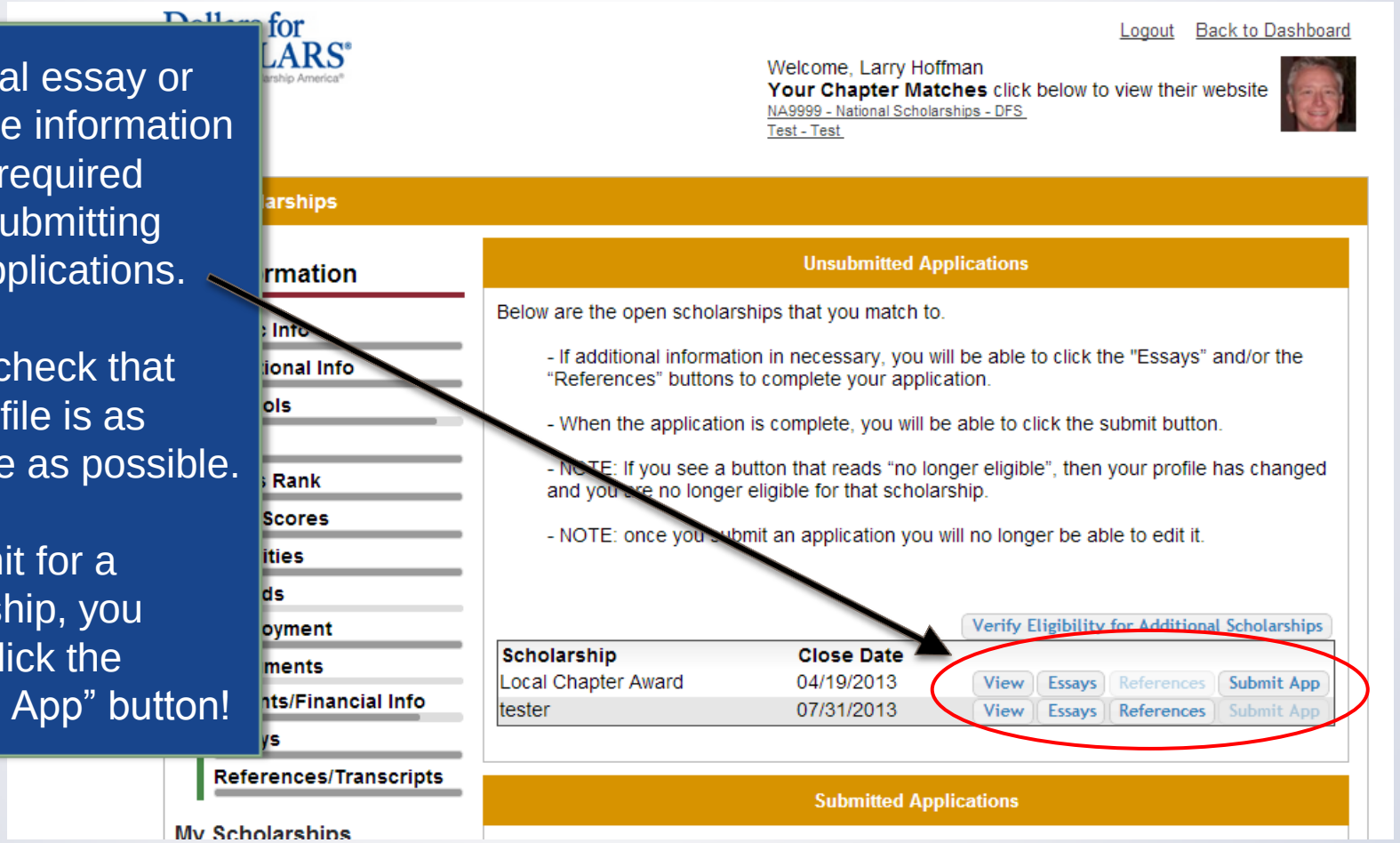
Student Profile: Scholarships!

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



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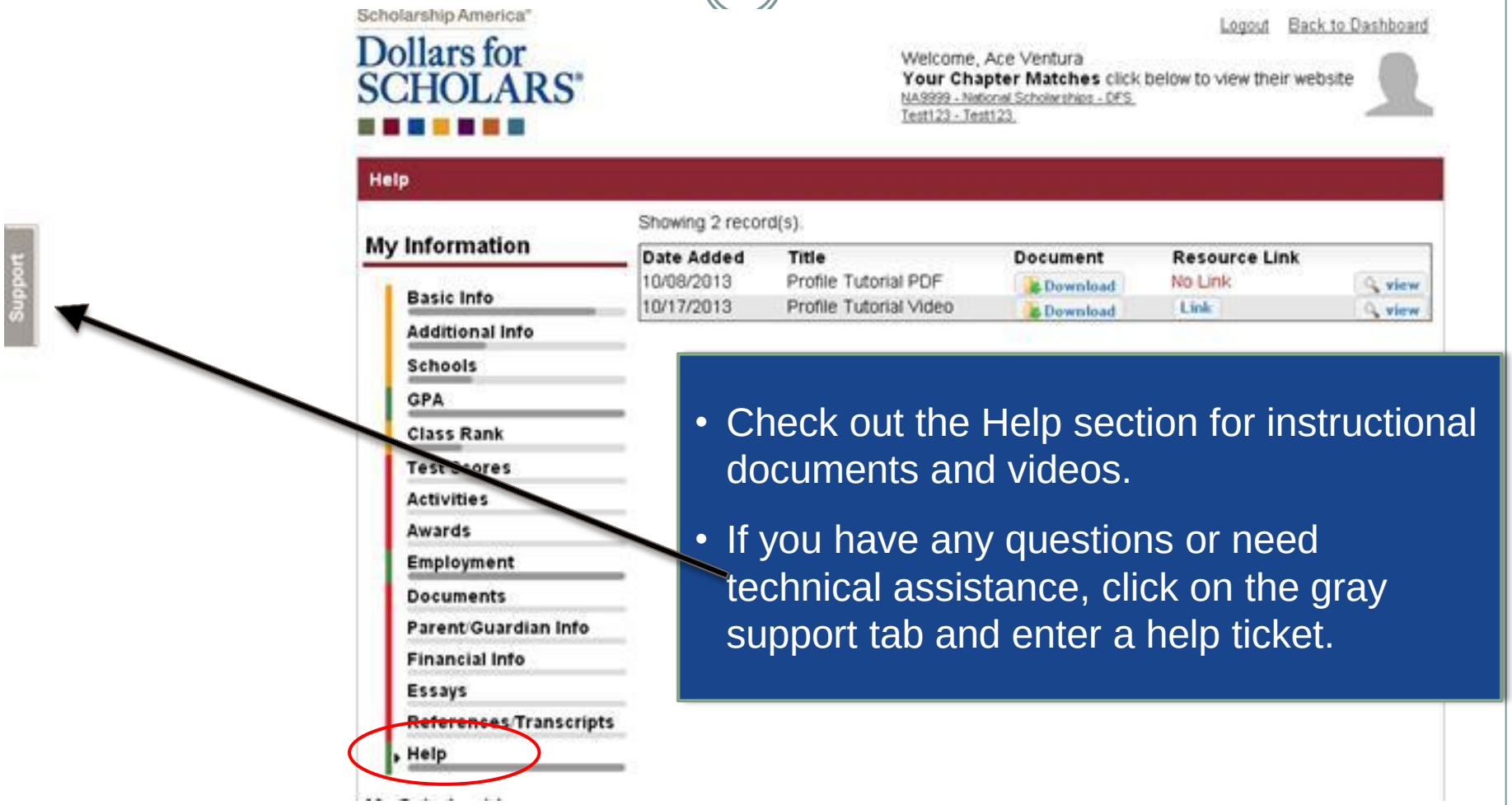

- Check out the Help section for instructional documents and videos.
- If you have any questions or need technical assistance, click on the gray support tab and enter a help ticket.

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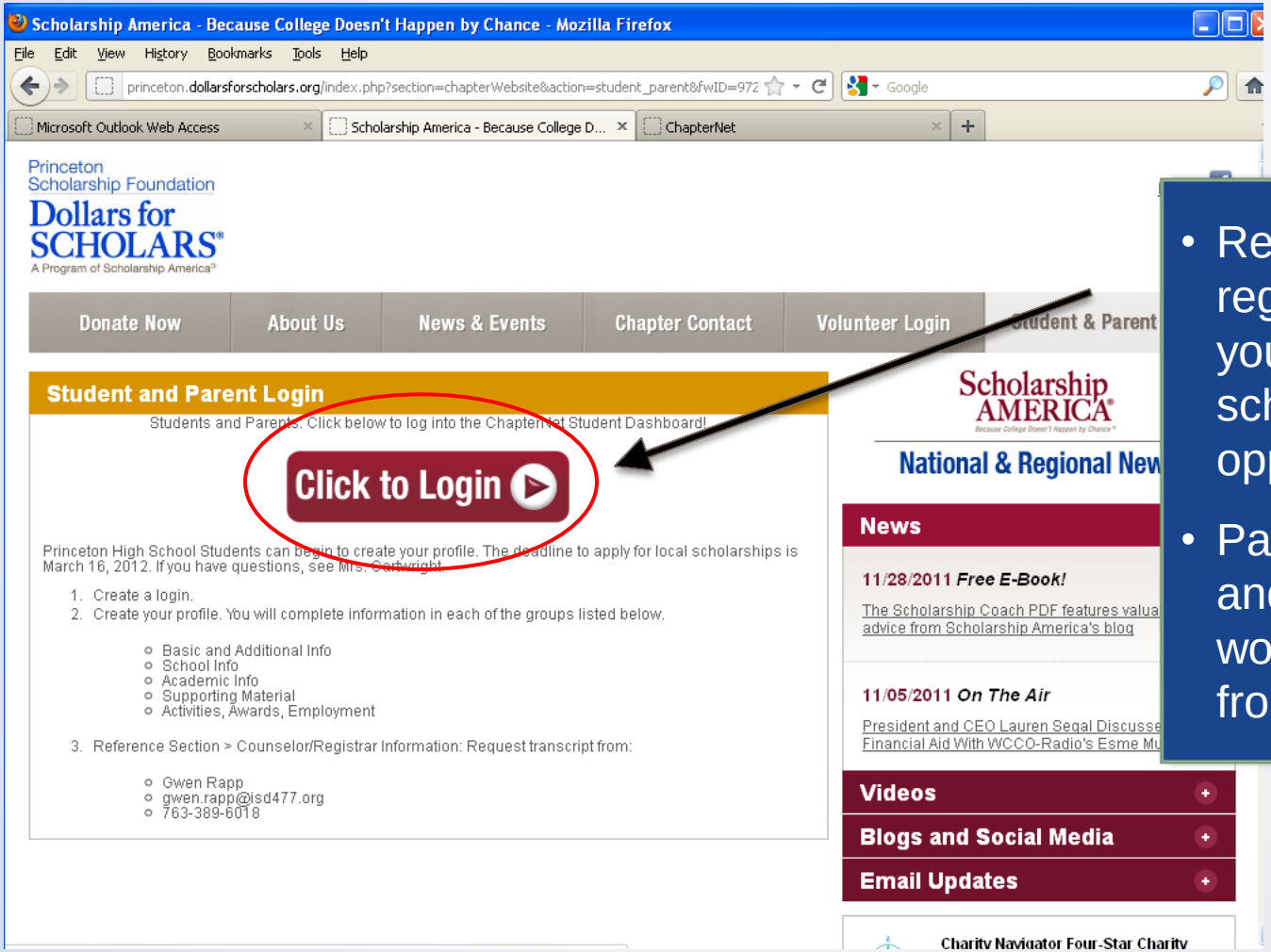

- Return to this page regularly to update your profile and view scholarship opportunities.
- Parents, counselors and references would also login from here.

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