



# THE PROGRAM

The Legislative-Compliance Enterprise for Potential Collegiate Athletes and Students



# **MISSION STATEMENT**

SCHOLARSHIPS 4 US<sup>®</sup> PROVIDES YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS EXCLUSIVE RIGHTS TO USE OUR PROGRAM AND PLATFORMS TO OFFER STUDENT-PARTICIPANTS THE OPPORTUNITY TO ACCUMULATE PRIZE MONEY BASED ON PLACE FINISH IN OUR ACCREDITED EVENTS.

# **OUR PURPOSE**

TO PROTECT THE ELIGIBILITY OF POTENTIAL COLLEGIATE STUDENT-ATHLETES THROUGH THE MANAGEMENT OF PRIZE MONEY AND ENSURING THEIR ENTITLED FUNDS ARE DISBURSED AS A SCHOLARSHIP AWARD.

# THE GOAL

TO HELP ALL STUDENTS INCREASE SAVINGS FOR COLLEGE LIFE, DECREASE THE AMOUNT IN STUDENT LOANS THEY HAVE TO BORROW, AND PROVIDE ENTREPRENEURS AN OPPORTUNITY TO BUILD THEIR OWN BUSINESS.

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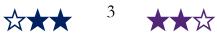






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"Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup> is the Legislative-Compliance enterprise for potential collegiate athletes and students. We provide students a national standardized platform to accumulate Prize Money in our Accredited Events and Exclusive Rights of Use for youth organizations to manage the events. When an eligible student enrolls the person becomes a participant in The Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup> Program and establishes what is known as their ESA or Earning and Savings Account that is assigned to an Enrollment ID. In every event, Student-Participants will accrue savings and have the opportunity to accumulate Prize Funds funded with Prize Money based on Place Finish. The Prize Funds funded with Prize Money shall be managed within The Trust of Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup> which is maintained using the S4Us.portal<sup>™</sup>.

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SCHOLARSHIPS 4 Us®

Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup> is *not* a nonprofit scholarship that manages and disburses donor and sponsor contributions. We are a for profit third-party enterprise that manages Prize Funds funded with Prize Money under Scholarships 4 Us: The Rule of Amateurism<sup>™</sup> with the intended purpose for the funds to be disbursed as a Scholarship Award. Former Student-Participants are entitled to request their accumulated Prize Funds funded with Prize Money as either Prize Money (taxable income) or a Scholarship Award (non-taxable income).

Usage of The Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup> Program protects potential collegiate athletes' eligibility standards set forth by the NCAA<sup>®</sup>, NAIA<sup>®</sup>, NJCAA<sup>®</sup>, and NACE<sup>®</sup>. Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup> has no affiliation with the NCAA<sup>®</sup>, NAIA<sup>®</sup>, NJCAA<sup>®</sup>, NACE<sup>®</sup>, or postsecondary educational institutions but may provide records regarding Student-Participants' enrollment, participation, and disbursement request to ensure our commitment to being the Legislative-Compliance enterprise for potential collegiate athletes and students."





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# ACCREDITED EVENT

SCHOLARSHIPS 4 Us®

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A RECOGNIZED COMPETITION OR TOURNAMENT THAT AWARDS PRIZE FUNDS FUNDED WITH PRIZE MONEY BASED ON PLACE FINISH

### ACCREDITED HOSTS™

A RECOGNIZED MANAGING ENTITY THAT HAS EXCLUSIVE RIGHTS OF USE FOR THE SCHOLARSHIPS 4 US® PROGRAM AND PLATFORMS

### AMATEURISM

THE JURISDICTION HELD BY AN ORGANIZATION TO DETERMINE A PARTICIPANT INELIGIBLE TO COMPETE IN A COMPETITION, TOURNAMENT, OR EVENT BASED ON A SET OF ELIGIBLITY REQUIREMENTS

### **CALENDAR YEAR**

JUNE 1<sup>ST</sup> - MAY 31<sup>ST</sup>

# **COST OF ATTENDANCE**

FEES AND/OR DUES REQUIRED FOR TRAVEL OR VENUE ADMITTANCE TO ATTEND AN ACCREDITED EVENT IN WHICH SCHOLARSHIPS 4 US® DOES NOT HOLD JURISDICTION OVER

### **COST OF ENTRY**

SAVINGS CONTRIBUTION, EXPENSE AND LINEAGE, AND PRIZE FUNDS, THAT IS REQUIRED TO PARTICIPATE IN AN ACCREDITED EVENT IN WHICH SCHOLARSHIPS 4 US<sup>®</sup> HOLDS JURISDICTION OVER

# DISBURSEMENT

THE ONE-TIME ANNUAL DISTRIBUTION, ON AUGUST 1<sup>ST</sup>, OF A FORMER STUDENT-PARTICIPANTS EARNING AND SAVINGS ACCOUNT

### DONOR

AN INDIVIDUAL OR ORGANIZATION THAT PROVIDES TAX-DEDUCTIBLE FUNDS TO A CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION WITHOUT RESTRICTIONS IN USE OF THE FUNDS

### EARNINGS

ACCUMULATED PRIZE FUNDS FUNDED WITH PRIZE MONEY BASED ON PLACE FINISH IN AN ACCREDITED EVENT

### ELIGIBILITY

A STUDENT ACTIVELY ENROLLED IN A CHARTER, HOME, PUBLIC OR PRIVATE EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION , AND IN COMPLIANCE WITH SCHOLARSHIPS 4 US®: THE RULE OF AMATEURISM™

# **ELIGIBILITY TIME PERIOD**

BEGINS ON A STUDENTS' 12<sup>™</sup> BIRTHDAY AND EXPIRES MAY 31<sup>ST</sup> THEIR SENIOR YEAR OF HIGH SCHOOL

# **ENROLLMENT REQUIREMENTS**

A STUDENTS' ANNUAL ENROLLMENT DUES, ENROLLMENT FEE, AND INITIAL SAVINGS CONTRIBUTION IN ORDER TO BECOME A STUDENT-PARTICIPANT

# ESA

EARNING AND SAVINGS ACCOUNT THAT CONSISTS OF SAVINGS CONTRIBUTIONS AND PRIZE FUNDS

### **ESPORTS**

ELECTRONIC SPORTS

### EVENT

A COMPETITION OR TOURNAMENT

# EXPENSE

THE FEE SCHOLARSHIPS 4 US® CHARGES PER EVENT

# EXPIRATION OF ELIGIBILITY

MAY 31<sup>ST</sup> THE YEAR OF HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION

# **INELIGIBILITY STATUS**

AN EARLY DISBURSEMENT REQUEST; SEE SECTION 13: PAGE 20







# **IRS TOPIC NO. 421**

THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE STATES THAT A SCHOLARSHIP IS NON TAXABLE INCOME SO LONG AS THE AMOUNT RECEIVED IS USED FOR ENROLLMENT IN AN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION OR FOR NECESSARY SUPPLIES FOR A COURSE AT THE EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION

#### JURISDICTION

THE AUTHORITY TO ENFORCE

# LEGISLATIVE-COMPLIANCE

THE COLLEGIATE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATIONS CREATE LEGISLATION FOR ATHLETES ACCEPTING PRIZE MONEY BASED ON PLACE FINISH AND SCHOLARSHIPS 4 US® MAINTAINS STUDENTS' COMPLIANCE THROUGH THE MANAGEMENT AND DISBURSEMENT OF THE FUNDS AS A SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

#### LINEAGE

THE FEE AN ACCREDITED HOSTS CHARGES PER EVENT

#### MANAGING ENTITY

A YOUTH ORGANIZATION THAT MUST PROVIDE ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION/CORPORATION, GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE, AND SIGN THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF USE IN ORDER TO REGISTER TO BE AN ACCREDITED HOSTS

# NACE®

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGIATE ESPORTS

# NAIA®

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS

### NCAA®

NATIONAL COLLEGIATE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

## **NJCAA®**

NATIONAL JUNIOR COLLEGE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

# **MEASURING INSTRUMENT**

A NON-HUMAN TOOL THAT DETERMINES DISTANCE, HEIGHT, TIME, SPEED, OR SCORE

# **OBJECTIVE EVENT**

A COMPETITION OR TOURNAMENT IN WHICH PLACE FINISH IS DETERMINED BY A MEASURING INSTRUMENT

# **POST-SECONDARY EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION**

A DEGREE OR CERTIFICATE-GRANTING PUBLIC OR PRIVATE COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY, JUNIOR OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE OR ANY ACCREDITED SCHOOL IN ACCORDANCE TO (TITLE IV OF THE HIGHER EDUCATION ACT OF 1965)

#### **PRIZE FUNDS**

50% THE COST OF ENTRY; FUNDED WITH PRIZE MONEY

# **PRIZE MONEY**

TAXABLE INCOME THAT IS PROHIBITED BY THE NCAA® TO BE ACCEPTED ABOVE ACTUAL AND NECESSARY EXPENSES BY POTENTIAL COLLEGIATE STUDENT-ATHLETES UNDER AMATEURISM. THE NAIA® BYLAWS STATE THAT NO POTENTIAL COLLEGIATE STUDENT-ATHLETE CAN ACCEPT PRIZE MONEY AFTER JULY 1<sup>ST</sup>, THE 'LAST DAY OF SUMMER,' PRIOR TO ENROLLING INTO AN NAIA® INSTITUTION. THE NJCAA® BYLAWS STATE THAT NO POTENTIAL STUDENT-ATHLETE CAN ACCEPT PRIZE MONEY AFTER THEIR 19<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY OR ENROLLED IN A NJCAA® INSTITUTION- WHICHEVER ONE COMES FIRST.

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# **PURPOSE OF FORMATION**

TO ENSURE ALL STUDENT-PARTICPANTS HAVE THE BEST OPPORTUNITY FOR FUTURE SUCCESS

# RECOGNIZED

APPROVED BY SCHOLARSHIPS 4 US® AND USES THE SCHOLARSHIPS 4 US® PROGRAM AND PLATFORMS







### REMUNERATION

MONEY PAID FOR WORK OR A SERVICE OR A MATERIAL INCENTIVE OF FINANCIAL VALUE

## **REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS**

A YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS' ANNUAL REGISTRATION DUES, AND START-UP BUNDLE IN ORDER TO BECOME AN ACCREDITTED HOSTS

### SAVINGS CONTRIBUTION

25% THE COST OF ENTRY

# **SCHOLARSHIPS 4 US®**

THE LEGISLATIVE-COMPLIANCE ENTERPRISE FOR POTENTIAL COLLEGIATE ATHLETES AND STUDENTS

### SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

THE DISBURSEMENT OF SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS IN BEHALF OF THE SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

# **SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS**

A POOL OF MONEY THAT WILL NOT BE TAXED AS INCOME IF THE FUNDS ARE USED ACCORDING TO IRS TOPIC NO. 421

# SCHOLARSHIP PROVIDER

A TAX-EXEMPT, IRS-APPROVED ORGANIZATION, THAT IS REQUIRED TO ADMINISTER SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS ON AN OBJECTIVE AND NON-DISCRIMINATORY BASIS WITH THE FUNDS PROVIDED FROM DONORS OR SPONSORS. THE IRS MUST PROVIDE 'GRANT APPROVAL FOR GRANT-MAKING PROCEDURES' AS A 'PRIVATE FOUNDATION' TO GIVE THE ORGANIZATION LEGAL RIGHT TO BE RECOGNIZED AS A SCHOLARSHIP PROVIDER

### SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

AN ENROLLED STUDENT AT AN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION THAT HAS EITHER BEEN SELECTED OR ACCUMULATED SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS AND REQUESTED THE DISBURSEMENT OF THEIR FUNDS ACCORDING TO IRS TOPIC NO. 421

### SCHOLARSHIP SPONSOR

AN INDIVIDUAL OR ORGANIZATION THAT PROVIDES TAX-DEDUCTIBLE RESTRICTED SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS THROUGH A SCHOLARSHIP PROVIDER

#### **SPORTS**

A COMPETITION OR TOURNAMENT IN WHICH PLACE FINISH IS DETERMINED ON AN OBJECTIVE BASIS

### STUDENT-PARTICIPANT

AN ELIGIBLE STUDENT THAT PARTICIPATES IN A SCHOLARSHIPS 4 US® ACCREDITED EVENT

# SUBJECTIVE EVENT

A COMPETITION OR TOURNAMENT IN WHICH THE RESULT IS BASED ON THE DISCRETION OF A HUMAN PERSON

### THE ARTS

A COMPETITION OR TOURNAMENT IN WHICH PLACE FINISH IS DETERMINED ON A SUBJECTIVE BASIS

### THE RULE OF AMATEURISM™

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### **THE SCHOLARSHIPS 4 US® PROGRAM**

THE GOVERNING PRINCIPLES OF SCHOLARSHIPS 4 US®

### **THE TRUST OF SCHOLARSHIPS 4 US®**

THE PRUDENT AND SECURE MANAGEMENT OF STUDENT-PARTICIPANTS' ESA

# **YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS**

ACADEMIES, CAMPS, CLINICS, CLUBS, EVENT MANAGERS, PROGRAMS, TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS, SCHOOLS AND VENUE OWNERS THAT SPECIALIZE IN THE ARTS, ESPORTS OR SPORTS







Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup> was founded to fund The Scholarship System 4 Us through secondary educational institutions and youth organizations that specialize in The Arts, Sports, or Esports, registering as an Accredited Hosts<sup>™</sup> and managing Accredited Events.

- o The Cost of Entry in an Accredited Event<sup>™</sup> is either \$40, \$80, or \$160
- The Cost of Entry is itemized as followed:
  - -25%: Savings Contribution
  - -25%: Event Cost (Expense and Lineage)\*
    - \*The Expense is the Fee for Scholarships 4 Us® and the Lineage is the fee for the Accredited Hosts
  - -50%: Prize Fund
- o An Accredited Event<sup>™</sup> will use the Allocation of Itemized Prize Funds found in The Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup> Accredited Events Guide
- o Prize Funds and Savings Contributions will be managed in Trust of Scholarships 4 Us®
- o The Trust of Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup> Service Agreement shall be signed by all Student-Participants and Accredited Hosts™.
- o An Accredited Hosts<sup>™</sup> may request to use the trust as a service to manage their own Accredited Events.
- A student is eligible to enroll in The Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup> Program on their 12<sup>th</sup> birthday with an Expiration of Eligibility on May 31<sup>st</sup> their senior year of high school.
- Each student that enrolls in The Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup> Program will be provided an ESA (Earning and Savings Account) assigned to an Enrollment ID in the S4Us.portal<sup>™</sup>.
- Student-Participants will accrue savings in every event they participate in and have the opportunity to accumulate Prize Funds funded with Prize Money based on Place Finish.

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• Savings Contributions and Prize Funds will be managed in The Trust of Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup>.







- Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup> shall recognize The Rule of Amateurism<sup>™</sup> as our Purpose of Formation. A Student-Participant may forfeit their accumulated Prize Funds if it determined that they have intentionally failed to disclose they withdrew from The Rule of Amateurism.
- Third-party funding to increase the Prize Funds and Savings Contributions are forbidden in an Accredited Event<sup>™</sup> and an Accredited Hosts<sup>™</sup> determined to have initiated or was aware and failed to prevent such transaction will have a revocation of their accreditation.
- The Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup> Program is designed for primary educational institutions to receive a percentage of the Lineage revenue earned by secondary educational institutions within their district, tax-free, so long as the funds are used according to IRS Topic No. 421.
- Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup> may also determine a limited number of neutral organizations, and a system of allocation, where individuals and businesses can contribute funding directly for Student-Participants' Cost of Entry in an Accredited Event™.

No longer will every student in America have a 97% chance of NOT being selected as a recipient of the 1.7 million scholarships awarded each year or a 98% chance of NOT being offered an Athletic Scholarship. A Scholarship, since the first one was awarded almost 400 years ago, was never an actual '*thing*,' it is 'non-taxable income.' America will become united in The Scholarship System 4 Us by ensuring that all students are enrolled in The Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup> Program for as long as The Program<sup>™</sup> is useful for our kind.





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The Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup> Program is formed to be compliant with the legislation of the collegiate athletic associations and the jurisdiction of the IRS. Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup> annually reviews and updates The Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup> Program according to any changes regarding disbursing Prize Money as a Scholarship Award.

# IRS

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The IRS topic no. 421 scholarships, fellowship grants, and other grants recognizes these award earnings as tax-free so as long the "amount is used to pay for tuition and fees required for enrollment or attendance at the educational institution, or for fees, books, supplies, and equipment required for courses at the educational institution." Any other usage of the awards for "incidental expenses, such as room and board, travel or optional equipment must be reported as gross income.

# <u>NCAA</u>®

The NCAA® permits potential collegiate students-athletes to earn prize money based on place finish in events so long as the amount does not exceed actual and necessary expenses to participate. The NCAA® requires all potential collegiate student-athletes to complete their Eligibility Questionnaire to determine if amateurism status has been maintained by requesting documentation of sports participation and any accepted prize money. These records are to be kept by the student-athlete and any misinformation or falsification could lead to a determination resulting in a permanent ineligibility status.

# <u>NAIA</u>®

Potential collegiate student-athletes must complete their Eligibility Questionnaire and the bylaws state that no potential collegiate student-athlete can accept prize money after July 31st, the 'last day of summer,' prior to enrolling into an NAIA® institution. These records are to be kept by the student-athlete and any misinformation or falsification could lead to a determination resulting in a permanent ineligibility status.

# <u>NJCAA</u>®

Potential collegiate student-athletes must complete their Amateurism Questionnaire and the bylaws state that no potential collegiate student-athlete can accept prize money after their 19<sup>th</sup> birthday or once enrolled in an NJCAA<sup>®</sup> institution- whichever comes first. These records are to be kept by the student-athlete and any misinformation or falsification could lead to a determination resulting in a permanent ineligibility status.

# <u>NACE</u>®

Potential collegiate student-athletes must complete their Eligibility Certificate Form, and the bylaws do not state legislation governing studentathletes accepting prize money.

# POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS

Postsecondary educational institutions require all students to report private awarded scholarships to the Financial Aid Department as it may adjust their Financial Aid Award.







Scholarships 4 Us® requires youth organizations to register as an Accredited Hosts™ for Exclusive Rights to use The Scholarships 4 Us® Program and platforms. The Registration Requirements and procedure is designed to ensure current and future Students-Participants will have a trusted source committed to providing Accredited Events.

# **Requirements**

- > A clear and precise mission that directly correlates with The Scholarships 4 Us® Program's purpose
- > Provide Articles of Organization/Corporation and proof of General Liability Insurance\*
- > Sign and agree to the Terms and Conditions of Use

# **Procedure**

- 1. Introductory Meeting
  - a. Overview- youth organization's mission and service(s)
  - b. Review- The Program's mission, purpose, and service(s)
  - c. Integration- website, social media, marketing agenda and presentation
- 2. An email will be sent to complete the Registration Requirements and sign the Terms and Conditions of Use for the S4Us.portal™

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3. Receive email with Hosts ID then go to www.Scholarships4Us.com/Membership and 'Join the Network'

\*Verification of General Liability Insurance is required to be uploaded annually









The following Terms and Conditions of Use are the governing principles set forth by Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup> to ensure Accredited Hosts<sup>™</sup> protect the integrity of The Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup> Program.

# **Condition Statement**

Youth Organizations are required to provide Articles of Incorporation/Organization and General Liability Insurance at the time of registration. Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup> is not liable for sustained injuries to participants or attendees of Accredited Events and any misconduct or negligence by the business or venue owner(s) and personnel associated 'with' or 'within' the organization(s).

# <u>Terms</u>

- 1. The top priority is to protect the health, safety and well-being of all Student-Participants, families, friends, and spectators
- 2. Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup> has Zero Tolerance for sexual and other abuse or willful misconduct that jeopardizes the health, safety and well-being of Student-Participants, families, friends, or spectators
- 3. Any willful action, publicly or privately, that constitutes bigotry, discrimination, hate, physical violence, politicization, or any other action determined by the ownership company determinantal to The Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup> Program shall be subject to Revocation of Accreditation
- 4. Student-Participants privacy in relation to The Scholarships 4 Us® Program is to remain confidential unless otherwise expressed by a Parent, Legal Guardian, or Authorized Representative
- 5. All Accredited Event<sup>™</sup> funds must be submitted using the S4Us.portal<sup>™</sup> except for the Lineage Fee
- 6. Purchase the Accredited Hosts<sup>™</sup> Start-up Bundle at the time of registration. The Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup> Pennant Banner must be on display at all times in a conspicuous location. The Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup> Table Cover and Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup> Retractable Banner must be used during an Accredited Event<sup>™</sup>. Damage to any item will require purchase of replacement.
- 7. Act as a liaison and first point-of-contact between participants within The Program™ and Scholarships 4 Us®
- 8. Build and establish positive relationships in the community to encourage enrollment
- 9. Ensure all students are enrolled prior to participating in an Accredited Event™
- 10. Maintain a commitment to host events for different skill and ability levels so that all Student-Participants have a fair opportunity to accumulated prize funds
- 11. Use only the Accredited Events that are listed on the website
- 12. Create an inclusive environment that develops character, leadership, and sportsmanship







# <u>Use</u>

Use of The Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup> Program and 'Accredited Events Guide' is for informational and educational purposes only. The Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup> Program and Accredited Events Guide are not to be reprinted, privately shared, or republished 'on' or 'in' any other publication(s). All material is protected intellectual property rights by the United States Patent and Trademark Office<sup>®</sup> and the U.S. Copyright Office.

All logos, documents, and promotional advertisements of the website are owned by Scholarships 4 Us® and is not permitted to be used by any person(s) or organization(s) other than that of whom is associated with the Accredited Hosts. Authorization by the President, Principal, or Administrator of Scholarships 4 Us® is required to sign the Terms and Conditions of Use according to Section 6 of The Scholarships 4 Us® Program.

The 'Platforms' refer to the Cost of Entry and all service rendering companies to operate Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup> including but not limited to Wix, Inc. (website host) and the S4Us.portal<sup>™</sup>.

Any use other than that is stated within the Terms and Conditions of Use may violate copyright, trademark or other applicable laws and be subject to Revocation of Accreditation.

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U.S. Concress passed a 2017 law civing the U.S. Center for SafeSport exclusive authority to respond to reports of sexual and other abuse and misconduct on behalf of 14<sup>+</sup> million individuals throughout the U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Movement—including members of its thousands of local, regional, and national sport organizations and governing bodies. The Center also publishes a Centralized Disciplinary Database that lists adults who have been suspended or deemed ineligible to participate in their Olympic or Paralympic sport.

Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup> is not affiliated with SafeSport and Accredited Hosts<sup>™</sup> are not required through our organization to register as we are not a National Governing Body of the U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Movement. If you or someone you know has questions we encourage you to visit their website and contact them directly.

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Youth organizations are required to provide Articles of Corporation/ Organization, General Liability Insurance, and sign the Terms and Conditions of Use in order to register with Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup>. Failure to abide by the Terms and Conditions of Use can result in a permanent Revocation of Accreditation. Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup> has ZERO TOLERANCE for sexual and/or other abuse of willful misconduct that jeopardizes the health, safety, and well-being of Student-Participants, families, friends, or spectators.

To report any concerns of sexual and/or other abuse or willful misconduct first contact your local authority and SafeSport (*if applicable*) then email the filed complaint to Principal @Scholarships4Us.com. Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup> will work directly with the complainant(s) to obtain evidence from the agency with authority to investigate and determine the appropriate course of action.









The Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup> Program provides The Path of Opportunity- 4 Us.



When The Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup> Program is used as it was designed for then it is the Student-Participants' choice how to use the resources provided.



As Student-Participants Earning and Savings Account continues to appreciate so does the means to attend a postsecondary educational institution.



The incentive-based program promotes and encourages continued participation in our Accredited Events.



All eligible students can enroll in The Scholarships 4 Us® Program.





# SECTION 9: THE RULE OF AMATEURISM™





Amateurism has been a concept that is misunderstood and misinterpreted and therefore caused more harm than good. In the near future, Scholarships 4 Us® may have absolute jurisdiction over Amateurism when The Scholarships 4 Us® Program is recognized by the postsecondary educational institutions as the Legislative-Compliance enterprise for potential collegiate athletes and students. Every postsecondary educational institution that has a legally binding contract with a collegiate athletic association will have to collectively unite in adopting The Rule of Amateurism<sup>™</sup> for the liberation of the Student-Athlete from authoritarianism.

Furthermore, collegiate Student-Athletes will have to unite in the understanding that they can no longer wait for their 'Financial Share' of the revenue for being a billion dollar asset to postsecondary educational institutions and the collegiate athletic associations. The 'value' of the Cost of Education and the 'value' of Room and Board that has been justified as a 'Fair Share,' in-exchange for services, by the collegiate athletic associations has, since its inception, been breadcrumbs resulting in collegiate athletes being treated like a night walker that has been groomed to be grateful they have a place to sleep and food to eat while their owner relishes in the financial profits from their labor.

The comprehensive approach to forming a national understanding and enforceable practice of Amateurism is through Scholarships 4 Us®: The Rule of Amateurism<sup>™</sup>. Eligibility shall begin on a students' 12th birthday and expire May 31st their senior year of high school. The idea is that once a student graduates high school they will have fulfilled their Amateurism and will then have the choice to request their Accumulated Prize Funds as Prize Money without affecting their eligibility to participate in collegiate athletics. Scholarships 4 Us® will implement *and* have jurisdiction over The Rule of Amateurism<sup>™</sup> according to the Eligibility Criterion found in Section 10 of The Scholarships 4 Us® Program.





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A Student is eligible to enroll and maintain enrollment in The Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup> Program only if the following Eligibility Criterion is met:

- Actively enrolled in a U.S. Charter, Home, Public or Private Educational Institution\*
- He of age within the Eligibility Time Period

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- The Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup> Program calendar year is June 1<sup>st</sup> May 31<sup>st</sup>
  - Enrollment Eligibility begins the day of a student's 12<sup>th</sup> Birthday
  - Last date of enrollment is December 31<sup>st</sup> senior year of high school (12<sup>th</sup> Grade)
  - Expiration of Eligibility is May 31<sup>st</sup> the senior year of high school
- A student must not have entered into a verbal or expressed agreement with an agent(s) that may financially profit from their participation, performance, or Place Finish in a competition or tournament in The Arts, Sports, or Esports\*\*
- 4 A student must not have participated in a professional tryout or signed with a professional team\*\*
- 4 A student must not have accepted any remuneration for participating in a competition or tournament\*\*
- 4 A student must not have accepted Prize Money based on place finish in a competition or tournament\*\*
- 🖊 🛛 A student must not have agreed to, signed, or received benefits from an NIL (Name, Image, and Likeness) deal or contract\*\*
- If under 18, then the student must have a Parent, Legal Guardian, or Authorized Representative present at the time of enrollment to sign and agree to the 'Parent, Legal Guardian or Authorized Representative Rights and Responsibilities' form and ensure that the potential Student-Participant has consent to sign the 'Student-Participant Rights and Responsibilities' form
- Sign and agree to the 'Student-Participant Rights and Responsibilities'

\*International Exchange or Study Aboard Students are not eligible to enroll in The Scholarships 4 Us® Program

\*\*The Rule of Amateurism

\*\*\*A Student-Participant MUST notify Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup> if they forfeit their Amateurism by submitting an Early Disbursement Request of their ESA Funds. Failure to notify Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup> of the forfeiture of their Amateurism may result in the forfeiture of a Student-Participants' Accumulated Prize Funds.







# **Open Enrollment Dates**

will be found on the Scholarships 4 Us® website at www.Scholarships4Us.com/enrollment

The Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup> Program uses the S4Us.portal<sup>™</sup> that will ensure the most comprehensive and secure system for Student-Participants to enroll, manage their profile, view their Earning and Savings Account records, and submit their Disbursement Request.

- 1. Go to www.Scholarships4Us.com/Enrollment and review the information then click on the Portal Providers' Logo
- 2. Select 'Enroll" and create profile
- 3. Complete enrollment questions
  - a. Attach Verification of Enrollment\*
    - i. Student ID
    - ii. Current Schedule
- 2. Sign and agree to the "Parent, Legal Guardian or Authorized Representative Rights and Responsibilities "
- 3. Sign and agree to the "Student-Participant Rights and Responsibilities"
- 4. Submit Enrollment Requirements
- 5. Receive Enrollment ID

\* Verification of Enrollment is to be uploaded every new academic year







# Submit an "ESA DISBURSEMENT REQUEST" Form through the S4Us.portal<sup>™</sup>

- A former Student-Participant may forfeit their accumulated Prize Funds if it is determined that they have intentionally failed to disclose they withdrew their Amateurism according to Scholarships 4 Us® enrollment Eligibility Criterion
- ESA Disbursement Request are to be received by 11:59PM Eastern Standard Time June 30<sup>th</sup> the year of high school graduation
- Processing of disbursements is scheduled from July 1<sup>st</sup> July 31st
- All disbursements are mailed out annually on August 1<sup>st</sup> in two separate checks

# 1. Savings Contributions

a. DISBURSEMENT IS MAILED DIRECTLY TO THE FORMER STUDENT-PARTICIPANT

# 2. Scholarship Award\*

(Must be used per IRS Topic. 421)

- a. NON-TAXABLE INCOME
- b. MUST PROVIDE VERIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT AND THE TIME OF A DISBURSMENT REQUEST (Class Schedule, Financial Aid Award Letter or Student ID)
- c. THE FORMER STUDENT-PARTICIPANT MUST NOTIFY THE FINANCIAL AID DEPARTMENT ONCE THEY RECEIVE CONFIRMATION RECEIPT OF AN ACCEPTED DISBURSEMENT REQUEST THAT THEY WILL BE RECEIVING THEIR ENTITLED SCHOLARSHIP AWARD FROM SCHOLARSHIPS 4 US<sup>®</sup>. ASK TO DISCUSS WITH FINANCIAL AID HOW TO ALLOCATE THESE FUNDS TOWARDS ENROLLMENT AND/OR SUPPLIES.
- d. DISBURSEMENT IS MAILED DIRECTLY TO THE POSTSECONDARY EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION

# 3. Prize Money\*

- a. TAXABLE INCOME
- b. POTENTIAL COLLEGIATE STUDENT-ATHLETES MUST REPORT ACCEPTED PRIZE MONEY ON THEIR ELIGIBILITY QUESTIONNAIRE. THE NCAA®, NAIA®, NACE® OR NJCAA® MAY RULE IN VIOLATION OF THEIR AMATEURISM STATUS.
- c. DISBURSEMENT IS MAILED DIRECTLY TO THE FORMER STUDENT-PARTICIPANT

\*Records of disbursements are available upon request to the IRS, NCAA®, NCAA®, NJCAA®, NACE®, or postsecondary educational institutions in order to maintain our commitment to being the Legislative-Compliance enterprise for potential collegiate athletes students.







An early\* request of disbursement (prior to Expiration of Eligibility) is acceptable with documented verification based on the following REASONS and CONDITIONS described in the Disclosure Statement in Section:1 of The Scholarships 4 Us® Program.

- o Graduation
- Forfeiture of Amateurism\*
- Terminal Illness\*
- Immutable Injury\*
- Emigration\*
- Incarceration\*
  (WILL RESULT IN A PERMANENT INELIGIBILITY STATUS)
- Program Withdrawal\* (WILL RESULT IN A PERMANENT INELIGIBILITY STATUS)
- Decease\*
- Educational Institution Dropout\* (WILL RESULT IN A PERMANENT INELIGIBILITY STATUS)

\*Prize Money may be subject to federal and/or state taxation and must be reported to the NCAA®, NAIA®, NJCAA®, or NACE®







Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup> Fee Schedule

# 1) Student-Participants

a. Enrollment Requirements (Valid one-year)

i.	Annual Membership	(\$24)

- ii. Enrollment Fee..... (\$10)
- iii. Initial Savings Contributions..... (\$25)
  - Total: \$59.00

# b. Annual Enrollment

(Every year until Expiration of Eligibility)

i. Earning and Savings Account management...... (\$24)

# 2) Accredited Hosts

- a. Registration Requirements
  - i. Accredited Hosts Start-Up Bundle...... (\$TBD)

# b. Annual Accreditation







The Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup> Program calendar year is June 1<sup>st</sup> – May 31<sup>st</sup> and we have four seasons with the intent to maintain a standard that matches the majority of national school districts.

Summer:	June 1 <sup>st</sup> – August 31 <sup>st</sup>
Fall:	September 1 <sup>st</sup> – November 30 <sup>th</sup>
Winter:	December 1 <sup>st</sup> – February 28 <sup>th</sup>
Spring:	March 1 <sup>st</sup> – May 31 <sup>st</sup>

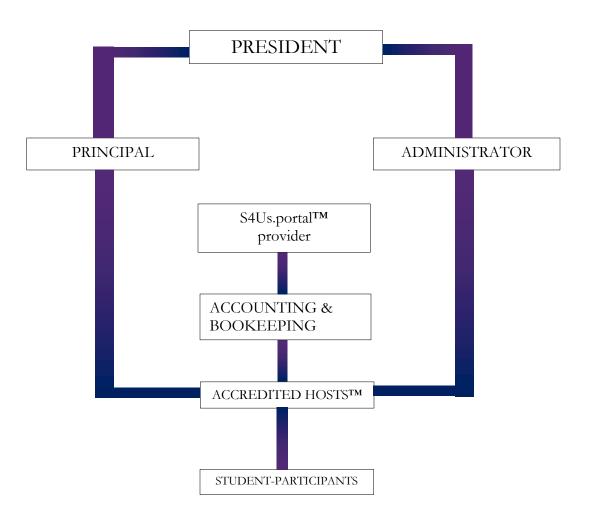
Each State's High School League Association may have set regulations that prohibit the participation in non-related events during in-school seasons. For example, participating in an AAU basketball event during high school basketball season may be prohibited in certain states.

The off-season for Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup> will be considered the months in which a high school activity is in-season. It is essential that Accredited Hosts learn their local and/or State High School League Associations' regulations.









Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup> functions on a formal Order-of-Contact to orderly manage the business operations. Student-Participants first point-of-contact regarding The Scholarships 4 Us<sup>®</sup> Program, Earning and Saving Account, and Upcoming Events is through an Accredited Hosts- they are responsible for reaching out to the appropriate contact to ensure all communication maintains order.

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