**BEWARE OF FINANCIAL AID FRAUD!** ![MCj02875910000[1]]()

With so many students looking for funds for colleges, there are also those looking to scam unknowing students and parents. Beware of anyone who uses the following lines to try to get you to apply for bogus scholarships or financial aid:

* The scholarship is guaranteed or your money back!
* You can’t get this information anywhere else.
* I just need your credit card or bank account number to hold the scholarship
* We’ll do all the work
* The scholarship will cost money or a down payment
* You’ve been selected by a “national foundation” to receive a scholarship or “You’re a finalist” in a contest you’ve never entered.

To file a complaint or for free information, students or parents can call or visit the following:

**1-877-FTC-HELP (1-877-382-4357)**

**http://www.ftc.gov/scholarshipscams**