

Privacy Policy

The Buckeye Christian Scholarship Granting Organization (BCSGO) is a ministry of the Buckeye Christian School Organization (BCSO) a 501(c)(3) organization.

BCSGO and BCSO recognize the importance of data security and privacy. We are dedicated to protecting your privacy and handling any personal information you provide to us with care and respect. This Privacy Policy is designed to assist you in understanding how we, as the data controller, collect, use, and share personal information you provide to us through the BCSGO and BCSO websites (Sites).

By accessing the Site and using its services, you confirm that you have read and consent to the information practices described in the policy.

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Student Application Data

Your participation in BCSGO and Buckeye Christian School Organization's programs is voluntary, and you may choose whether to participate. To be considered for a scholarship, emergency grant, tuition assistance or other award administered by BCSGO and Buckeye Christian School Organization, you may be required to submit data electronically so that we may review and consider your application to select award recipients. By submitting an application, you consent to the processing of your personal information by BCSGO and BCSO and the organization sponsoring the program for the purpose of reviewing and considering applications and selecting award recipients.

BCSGO and BCSO processes your personal information only for the purpose for which it was collected in accordance with contractual program parameters and this Privacy Policy. We review our data collection, storage, and processing practices to ensure we only collect, store, and process the personal information needed to administer a program or provide a service.

When you create an application account, data you enter during the application process is automatically saved for your convenience. Even if the application is abandoned or not submitted, the information you provide is collected and is subject to this policy. Once data is entered, it becomes the property of BCSGO and BCSO.

Data is stored and processed at BCSGO and BCSO locations in the United States and potentially at sponsor sites or research partner sites. Program guidelines will identify if data will be stored or processed by the sponsor. BCSGO and BCSO is not responsible for the use, processing, and security of information once it is in the care or control of a program sponsor or their designated entity as specified by the program. We encourage you to refer to the privacy policies of those organizations to learn more about their privacy practices. We may use your contact information to confirm receipt of your application, to gather more information if there are questions regarding your application, to send you notifications regarding your status, or for communication necessary to administer a program or provide a service. When you send email or other communications electronically, BCSGO and BCSO may retain those communications to process your inquiries, respond to your request or question and improve our services.

No personal data will be shared with third parties without your explicit choice (opt in) except for research partners and the organization sponsoring the program who will act as the data controller with respect to that program. If data is shared with a sponsor, during the application process you will be told what data will be shared with the sponsor, how and for what purpose the sponsor will process the data and given access to the sponsor's privacy policy.

All data is subject to use in BCSGO and BCSO research and may be shared with research partners who will use it only for research purposes.

Donor Data

BCSGO and BCSO is committed to the privacy and security of both online and offline donors. All donors to BCSGO and BCSO provide certain personal information which may include names, contact information and financial data. We protect this information in a variety of ways.

Except as otherwise provided in this Privacy Policy, we will not sell, share, or trade donor information with any other entity, and we will not send mailings to our donors on behalf of other organizations unless a donor has given us specific permission to do so. We keep a detailed record of each donor's giving history on file for IRS purposes and to analyze, recognize giving patterns, and to project future budgets.

In cases where donations are processed through a third-party service provider, donor information will only be used as necessary to process the donation. All processing of payments and related information, including by third party service providers, is protected by industry standard safeguards.

General Data

When visiting the BCSGO and BCSO websites, visitors have the option to enter data for the purpose of requesting information, downloading content, or asking questions. This data is used only for the purpose of communicating with you and will not be shared or sold to anyone outside

our organization. BCSGO and BCSO may use third parties to provide certain services on our behalf (“Service Providers”). Personal information will only be shared as necessary for Service Providers to conduct their services. Service Providers are prohibited from using the data we provide to them for any other purpose.

BCSGO and BCSO reserves the right to disclose personal information as required by law. Non-personally identifiable information may be shared as aggregate demographic information to program sponsors or may be used by BCSGO and BCSO in pursuit of its mission.

We also use personal information collected through our Sites:

- for security or fraud prevention purposes
- to improve the content, functionality, and usability of our Site
- to improve our marketing and promotional efforts
- to invite you to participate in surveys and provide feedback to us (in accordance with any privacy preferences you have expressed to us)
- to statistically analyze Site use
- to improve our product and service offerings
- to customize our Site’s content, layout, and services
- to deliver information or otherwise respond to you
- to contact you regarding administrative notices

BCSGO and BCSO relies on the following legal grounds for the collection, processing, and use of personal information:

Consent, as permitted by applicable law

Compliance with legal obligations

User support

Legitimate interest of BCSGO and BCSO where the legitimate interest may be:

customer relationship management and other forms of marketing

physical security, IT and network security

Site management and enhancement

We use certain web technologies including cookies, web beacons, clear gifs, and pixels (collectively, “cookies and other technologies”) to assist us in providing better service. These cookies and other technologies do not identify you personally and are not connected to any data you provide on the Site. They provide technical and behavioral information such as the IP address, device type, browser type, and device identifier used to visit the website, the date and time of your visit, the pages you view, the websites you visited before and after visiting that Site, and (where permitted by your device) location data. Our services and sites currently do not recognize “do not track” signals that may be sent by certain browsers.

How does BCSGO and BCSO secure my personal information?

We use commercially reasonable physical, technological, and administrative safeguards designed to protect your personal data from unauthorized use, access, or disclosure. Email is not recognized as a secure medium of communication. For this reason, we request that you do not send private or sensitive information to us by email. Some of the information you may enter on our Sites may be transmitted securely via Secure Sockets Layer (SSL), 256 bit encryption

services, which are enabled by a reputable SSL certificate provider (e.g., Thawte or Verisign). Pages utilizing this technology will have URLs that start with HTTPS instead of HTTP. No method of transmission over the Internet or electronic storage is 100% secure. While we strive to use commercially acceptable means to protect your personal information, we cannot guarantee its absolute security.

If your data has been accessed by an unauthorized individual, you will be notified as required by law.

Links to Other Sites

This Privacy Policy applies to data collected on Sites administered by BCSGO and BCSO only. The Sites may contain links to other sites that are not owned or controlled by BCSGO and BCSO. Be aware when you leave our Sites and read the privacy statements pertaining to other sites you may link to.

Privacy Protection for Children under Age 13

BCSGO and BCSO do not collect personal information directly from children who are under 13 years old. However, a child of this age may occasionally be eligible for certain programs or services administered through our Sites, in which case, a parent or legal guardian of such child must provide the child's personal information to BCSGO and Buckeye Christian School Organization. The parent or legal guardian must also provide his or her own contact information (e.g., email address, mailing address and phone numbers). All communications pertaining to the program or service will be sent directly to such parent or legal guardian. The personal information (identifiable or not) of such parent or legal guardian collected is subject to this Privacy Policy.

For more information on online privacy protection for children under 13, please see the Children's Online Privacy Protection Act (COPPA).

If you are a minor under the age of 18, a registered user of this Site, and a resident of the State of California, you may remove, or request the removal of, content or information you have posted on this Site by contacting us as provided below. Certain exceptions may apply. Such removal, however, does not ensure complete or comprehensive removal of your content or information.

Will this Privacy Policy change?

Because our websites and business units will continue to implement new technologies and improve the services and features we provide, this policy is subject to change at any time. If there are changes or additions to this Privacy Policy, we will post those changes here or in other formats we deem acceptable, so you will always know what information we collect online, how we use it and what choices you have. Your continued use of the Site after such modifications will constitute your acknowledgement of, and agreement to be bound by, the revised Privacy Policy.

Discontinue Contact and Data Removal Policy

It is the policy of BCSGO and BCSO to discontinue contacting any person upon that person's written request.

Data will only be stored as long as needed to fulfill legitimate business purposes or for a period of time specifically required or allowed by applicable regulations or laws.

If you are located outside the United States and choose to provide information to us, please note that we transfer the data, including Personal Data, to the United States and process it there. If you wish to have us discontinue processing or storing your data, you may contact us using the contact information below. Your consent to this Privacy Policy followed by your submission of such information represents your agreement to that transfer.

How to Contact Us

BCSGO and BCSO want your information and preferences to be accurate and complete. To update or change your information, you can send your updated information to info@ohiosgo.org.