

# FREEMAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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## SCOTTIE SCOOP

OCTOBER  
10, 2025

### UPCOMING DATES

- Oct 13-17 Spirit Week (see page 2 for dress up days)
- Oct 14 2:45-5:15pm = Robotics (K8 MPR)
- Oct 15 2:45-4:00pm = Math is Cool (FES Large Conf.)  
2:45-4:00pm = Girl Scouts (CC)
- Oct 16 2:45-4:00pm = Chess Club (CC)  
2:45-5:15pm = Robotics (K8 MPR)
- Oct 21 2:45-5:15pm = Robotics (K8 MPR)
- Oct 22 10:45am-2:45pm = 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip  
2:45-4:00pm = Math is Cool (FES Large Conf.)  
2:45-4:00pm = Girl Scouts (CC)
- Oct 23 8:00am-7:00pm = Parent-Teacher Conferences
- Oct 24 8:00am-12:00pm = Parent-Teacher Conferences

### RETURNING STUDENTS INFO. UPDATE

**We are getting there! We need just over 25% more students' information completed for the Returning Student Updates. All students NEW and RETURNING need their information verified and updated. If you have no changes, the process should be very quick!**

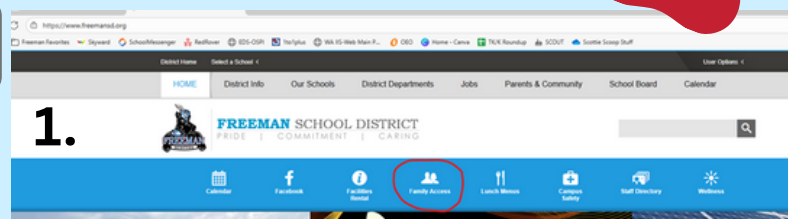
**See the links below and pictures to the right for instructions on how to sign into family access and a link to family access.**

**CONFERENCE SCHEDULER is now open until 11:59pm on Monday, October 20th. Please go into Family Access and sign up for your students' conferences and complete the "FES 25-26 Returning Student Information Update" while you are logged in, if you haven't already.**

### IMPORTANT LINKS

Please click any of the following links for more information:

[Family Access Instructions Link](#)  
[Family Access Link](#)  
[FSD Volunteer Application Link](#)



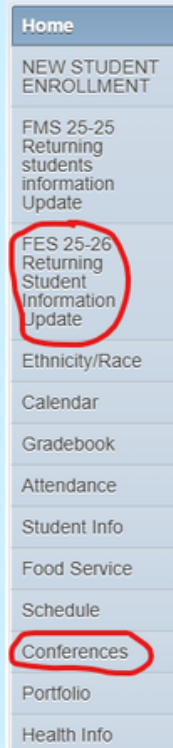
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1. Go to [www.freemansd.org](http://www.freemansd.org).
2. Choose Family Access and sign in.
3. Choose "FES 25-26 Returning Student Information Update" and "Conferences". For conferences, click on "All Conferences" to the far right of your student's name to choose a time that works for you.

It can be easier to navigate in Family Access if you are on a computer as opposed to your phone.

Please call the office with any questions!  
(509)-291-4791



## Spirit Week Fall 2025

Oct 13 - Oct 17



<u>Day</u>	<u>Theme</u>	<u>Color Choice</u>
Monday	Pajamas vs. Red Carpet	Red
Tuesday	Twin/Triplets/Quads, etc.	Orange
Wednesday	Decade (Past or Future)	Green
Thursday	Softball Moms vs. Baseball Dads	Black Out White Out
Friday	Scottie Spirit	Blue

### Freeman Elementary School Costume Guidelines

#### Spirit Weeks & Halloween

We love celebrating school **spirit** and creativity! Costumes are a fun way to show enthusiasm and build community, but they must also support a safe and positive learning environment.

#### Please follow these guidelines:

- Costumes should be **school-appropriate** and should **not interfere with learning**.
- **No gore, weapons or any item that looks like a weapon, or inappropriate themes** (including violence, alcohol, or other adult content).
- **No Masks**
- **Accessories** must not interfere with learning, block vision, or cause distraction.
- Costumes should **allow full participation** in regular school activities and comply with the school dress code.



### COUNSELING CORNER

with School Counselor

Kayleen Archibald

[karchibald@freemansd.org](mailto:karchibald@freemansd.org)

#### The Problem-Solving Puzzle

Problems are a normal part of life, and your child has the power to solve them! Teach them to think of problems like a puzzle—it may seem tricky at first, but with a little thought, they can find a solution. Walk them through a simple process: identify the problem, brainstorm solutions, and then pick the best one.

**Try This:** When your child comes to you with a problem, instead of solving it for them, ask, "What are three possible solutions you can think of?"

# October is Principal Appreciation Month

Lisa Phelan

FES Principal

Mike Allen

K-8 Principal Assistant

Jim Straw

FMS Principal

Jeff Smith

FHS Principal

Chad Ripke

FHS Dean of Students & A.D.



## MATH IS COOL COACHING OPPORTUNITY!

We are so grateful for our 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade Math is Cool coaches Kelly and Angela Jahns, from last year! They built a great program for our students. This year they will continue to coach our 5<sup>th</sup> grade team, so we have an opportunity to have a new 4<sup>th</sup> grade coach. If you are interested and have any further questions, please send Kelly Jahns an email [Kelly.Jahns@yahoo.com](mailto:Kelly.Jahns@yahoo.com).

### Coach's Commitment:

- \*conduct practices about 3 times per month after school
- \*prep for each practice can take about 2 times as much time as in practice
- \*prepare a small homework assignment for after each practice
- \*plan math games/activities in addition to working on math topics
- \*have a different parent volunteer to organize snacks
- \*regional competition date is a Friday in March
- \*state competition (if qualified) is a Saturday in May
- \*remember that Math is COOL!

## EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES!

See attached flyers

\*Youth Lacrosse

Hub-O-Ween

\*Freeman 4-H Club

\*2 VFW Essay Contests!



## PTSG - GET INVOLVED!



## CONFERENCE MEALS

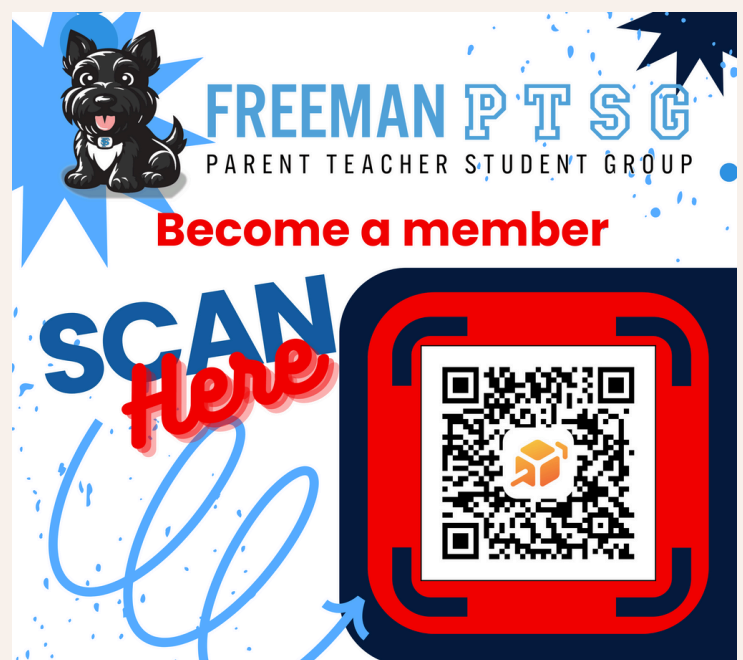
Let's show our appreciation for the incredible educators and staff across the district by providing breakfast and dinner during the long conference day! Just scan one of the QR codes below to see how you can help make their day a little brighter!



Breakfast Bar



Lasagna Dinner



Please follow this [membership link](#) or the qr code below to become a member of our amazing PTSG Group. Get involved in all of our fun activities! All are welcome to join the ptsg meetings. They meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> wednesday of every month in the FES community classroom from 5:30-6:30pm. next meeting is Wednesday, october 8<sup>th</sup>.

At Freeman School District, we believe that every student's story adds something special to our school community. Throughout the year, we will be taking time to celebrate diversity months - such as Hispanic Heritage Month and Women's History Month, to help our students learn about the many cultures, traditions, and histories that shape our world.

Even in a small rural district like ours, our students are part of a big, diverse world. These celebrations help us build understanding, empathy, and respect for one another. By learning about different cultures, we not only honor the contributions of others but also strengthen the sense of belonging and connection that makes our school a welcoming place for all. Please look for information and fun facts in the upcoming Scotties Scoops about these efforts to be welcoming to all students!

## NUTRITION SERVICES

Freeman Nutrition Services has embarked on a journey to provide students with more direct input on the menu items.

Working with K8 ASB to identify one celebration per month, where students have an opportunity to provide us with a new menu choice they would like to see on the menu, based on the monthly celebrations calendar that Nutrition Services has provided them with.

For example, November 3 is National Sandwich Day. After receiving several choices provided for Nutrition Services by K8 ASB students, the following new menu items will be on the menu on November 3. We are still working some of the processes out for this collaboration, but we are all excited about this new venture in Freeman Nutrition Students (as are the students).

**Main Entree: Rockin BBQ Chicken Sandwich**  
**Grab & Go option: Italian Ciao Down**



**ELEMENTARY**  
**BREAKFAST: \$2.20**  
**ADULTS: \$3.20**

13	Breakfast Cookie ----- Cereal & Goldfish ----- Craisins Juice Variety Chocolate Milk White Milk	14	Dutch Waffle Cereal & Goldfish Juice Variety Chocolate Milk White Milk Gala Apple	15	Cherry Strudel ----- Cereal & Goldfish ----- Fresh Orange Juice Variety Chocolate Milk White Milk	16	Egg McFreeman ----- Cereal & Goldfish ----- Banana Juice Variety Chocolate Milk White Milk	17	Cereal & Goldfish ----- Cinnamon Roll w/icing ----- Pear Juice Variety Chocolate Milk White Milk
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**ELEMENTARY**  
**LUNCH: \$3.60**  
**ADULTS: \$5.00**

13	Assorted Pizza ----- Alternate Lunch ----- Chocolate Milk White Milk	14	Nachos w/Ground Beef ----- Alternate Lunch ----- Chocolate Milk White Milk	15	Hot Dogs ----- Alternate Lunch ----- Chocolate Milk White Milk	16	Mandarin Orange Chicken -with- Rice ----- Alternate Lunch Chocolate Milk White Milk	17	Alternate Lunch ----- Hamburger ----- Chocolate Milk White Milk
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**Just a reminder: Please do not pack energy drinks or soda in your students' lunch.**





## FSD TECHNOLOGY NEWS

October, 2024

Dear Parent / Guardian,

As part of our commitment to your child's online safety, we want to let you know about an important update. Freeman School District has partnered with Qustodio, the world's leading provider of online safety solutions.

As devices play an increasing role in children's education it is crucial that we put safeguards in place. Your child already benefits from internet filtering technology which blocks inappropriate web content on their school-owned Chromebook. This is also mandated by US legislation.

Freeman School District is going one step further. We are granting every parent a free Qustodio Parental App account. Qustodio will give you important insights into your child's online activity on their school Chromebook. You can use it to review and manage activities on other devices in your home too.

### With Qustodio, you'll be able to:

- Manage your child's screen time
- Supervise your child's online activity
- Access expert advice via [Freeman School District's Online Safety Hub](https://freemansd.onlinesafetyhub.io)

Qustodio is a valuable partner that prioritizes privacy, safety and rights of students and parents worldwide.

### Activate Your Free Account

On the following page, you will find simple instructions to register your account. Please be sure to use the same email address we have on file for you when registering to connect to your child's device.

We are excited to work with you and Qustodio to help our students develop healthy and safe online habits. Please visit [Freeman School District's Online Safety Hub](https://freemansd.onlinesafetyhub.io) for more information about Qustodio, access to expert advice and additional resources.

Freeman does not provide support for Qustodio; instead, Qustodio offers support for their own product. Please email inquiries to: [myschool@qustodio.com](mailto:myschool@qustodio.com)

Freeman School District  
Information Technology

[myschool@qustodio.com](mailto:myschool@qustodio.com)

<https://freemansd.onlinesafetyhub.io>

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Opt-In from  
your mobile  
now!



Just send "Y"  
or "Yes" to  
67587.

**Information on SMS text messaging and Short Codes:** SMS stands for Short Message Service and is commonly referred to as a "text message". Most cell phones support this type of text messaging. Our notification provider, SchoolMessenger, uses a true SMS protocol developed by the telecommunications industry specifically for mass text messaging, referred to as "short code" texting. This method is fast, secure and highly reliable because it is strictly regulated by the wireless carriers and only allows access to approved providers.

If you've ever sent a text vote for a TV show to a number like 46999, you have used short code texting.

\*Terms and Conditions: Message frequency varies. Standard message and data rates may apply. Reply HELP for help. Text STOP to cancel. Mobile carriers are not liable for delayed or undelivered messages. See

## FMS AND FHS NEWSLETTERS

Want to find out what's going on in the Middle School and/or High school? Check out their weekly newsletters as well!

[Freeman Middle Scoop](#)  
[FHS Friday flyer](#)



**FREEMAN SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
PRIDE | COMMITMENT | CARING

WE ARE LAUNCHING DISTRICT-WIDE SURVEYS  
IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE  
CENTER FOR EDUCATIONAL EFFECTIVENESS (CEE).

### Who is participating, and when?

- Staff, October 17-29, 2025
- Students, October 20-29, 2025
- Families, Winter-2026

### Why are we doing this?

Your feedback helps us:

- Strengthen our Strategic Plan
- Guide Professional Development for educators
- Shape the supports and resources we provide across the district

### How does it work?

Surveys are confidential and take just a few minutes.

Family links will be shared by email and available on the district website.



The Center for Educational Effectiveness

"SUCCESS WITHOUT FEEDBACK  
IS AN ACCIDENT."

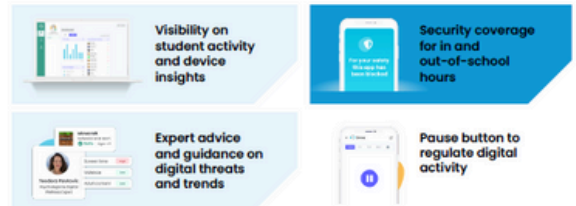
**Lineize | Qustodio**

TEAMWORK MADE EASY

## App for Parents & Families

Technology makes a direct impact on children, their families, and their learning environment. For children to learn and grow as digital citizens in our increasingly connected world, we must first lay out the foundations of online safety, digital literacy, and wellbeing.

Through our school district's partnership with Lineize, our online safety and wellbeing provider, we are able to extend visibility and safeguarding controls on to parents and guardians.



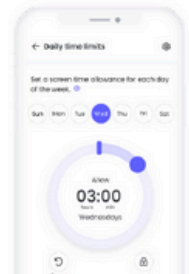
Parents and guardians can also extend protection to personal devices with family-focused digital wellbeing features that adapt to different needs as their child grows:

- Filter and block feature for content and apps
- Location tracking and panic button feature
- Visibility on browsing history, social media, and screen time
- Calls & messages tracking to monitor suspicious activity
- Time limits and screen-free schedules
- Tailored reports and alerts for inappropriate content

Works on the following devices:



Multi-parent access and management available



Qustodio is COPPA compliant and does not share personal data with third parties.



### How to get started

1. Scan the QR code or visit [qustodio.com/my-school](https://qustodio.com/my-school)
2. Create your account using the email address your school has on file
3. Get real-time visibility

For any queries, contact us at [myschool@qustodio.com](mailto:myschool@qustodio.com)



# FES/FMS LIBRARY

A HUGE Thank You! 

To all our amazing volunteers already scheduled – you're the best! But guess what? We can always use more help!

## Here's Where We Need You:

### Monday:

- 8:00 AM - 11:00 AM: Check In/Check Out

### Tuesday:

- 9:10 AM - 11:10 AM: Shelving, Processing New Books & Book Repair

### Wednesday:

- 9:10 AM - 11:10 AM: Check In/Check Out
- 12:10 PM - 2:45 PM: Check In/Check Out

### Thursday:

- 8:15 AM - 10:50 AM: Shelving, Processing New Books & Book Repair
- 12:10 PM - 2:45 PM: Check In/Check Out

### Friday:

- 9:15 AM - 11:10 AM: Shelving, Processing New Books & Book Repair

Contact Susan Chadduck

[schadduck@freemansd.org](mailto:schadduck@freemansd.org) 509-291-7301

[freemansd.org](http://freemansd.org) - Volunteer application must be completed



# Halloween

## ALL MONTH LONG

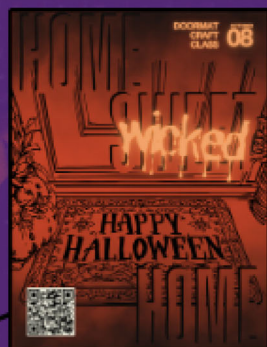


Join the HUB Sports Center this October as we transform Halloween into HUB-O-WEEEN!

We'll have family-friendly activities to our Fright Night Volleyball Tournament to our main event, the Field of Screams! So come hang out, play, and celebrate with us.....

**IF YOU DARE!**

## HUB-O-WEEEN EVENTS & ACTIVITIES



**Wicked  
Welcome  
Mats**

October 8<sup>th</sup>



**Fright Night  
Volleyball  
Tournament**

October 10<sup>th</sup>



**The  
Field of  
Screams**

October 17<sup>th</sup> &  
October 24<sup>th</sup>



**BOO-gie  
Nights  
Dance Class**

October 23<sup>rd</sup>



**Dink or Treat  
Pickleball  
Social**

October 30<sup>th</sup>

# Interested in Joining 4-H?

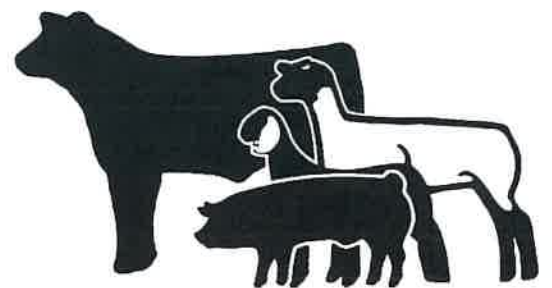
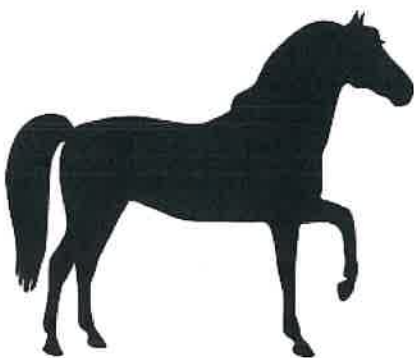


## **FREEMAN 4-H Club is Hosting its Annual Kick-Off Meeting!**

**When: Sunday, October 12th @ 4:00pm**

**Where: Kiesling Acres Horse Barn  
11917 S Kiesling Rd, Valleyford, WA 99036**

**Who: Open to all youth ages 8-18.**  
*(Must be 8 years old by Oct 1, 2025 to participate this year)*





VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS AND ITS AUXILIARY  
DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON



Youth



Essay



Official Entry Form  
Youth Essay Program Grades 3-4-5  
2025 - 2026

THEME: "How I Respect the American Flag"

Grade Level: \_\_\_\_\_ Word Count: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Due to Sponsoring Post/Auxiliary: **October 31<sup>st</sup>**

PLEASE NOTE: This entry form must be completely filled out and accompany the essay.

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE:

Students Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent email: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

To be completed by a person instructing student

Instructor's Name \_\_\_\_\_ location \_\_\_\_\_

Address of School or Home \_\_\_\_\_  
To be completed by Post/Auxiliary

Name & Number of Sponsoring Post/ Auxiliary: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Chairman's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ District Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE: ALL SECTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED AT THE POST/AUXILIARY LEVEL**

Disclaimer Notice:

The district does not sponsor this event/activity/ offer and the district assumes no responsibility for it. In consideration for the privilege to distribute these materials, the \_\_\_\_\_ School District No. \_\_\_\_\_ shall be held harmless from any cause of action filed in any court or administrative tribunal arising out of the distribution of these materials, including all costs, attorney's fees and judgments or awards.

**Veterans of Foreign Wars and Its Auxiliary  
Department of Washington  
State Youth Essay Program Rules and Regulations  
Grades 3-4-5**

1. Participants must compose their own essay.
2. The essay must be clearly handwritten, typed or computer prepared.
3. Judging will be under the guidance set by the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Judging will include 30 points for addressing the theme, 30 points for clarity of Ideas, 40 points for Theme Development.
4. Since this program is completely voluntary, a student does not have to go through his/her school to participate. Any student from any school in the State of Washington may enter the program by contacting a local Post or Auxiliary for rules and Official Entry form. Home Schooled students are also eligible.
5. A copy of the Official Entry form must accompany the essay. All sections of the official entry form **MUST** be completed at the Post/Auxiliary level. Entry forms **MUST** be signed by a parent.
6. All essays become the property of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Department of Washington. If copies are desired, you must make your own. Chairman will not return essays.
7. Contest begins at the start of the school year.
8. Length: Not to exceed 250 words.
9. Student's Name, City, or School **MUST NOT** be on the essay, only on the entry form.
10. Essay must stay within the prescribed subject matter and there can be **NO** added color or artwork.
11. Essay written in poem form **will not be accepted**.
12. The Post or Auxiliary sponsoring the school **MUST** do the judging at the local level.

**Essays due to local Post/Auxiliary by: October 31<sup>st</sup>**

Any Essay not **received** by the deadline **will not** be accepted.

***Please submit 1 winner for every 15 entrees for 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, 1 winner for every 15 entrees for 4<sup>th</sup> grade, and 1 winner for every 15 entrees for 5<sup>th</sup> grade to your District for judging by Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>.***





2025-2026 COMPETITION

# PATRIOT'S PEN Post 1435



Evelyn Newbigging  
PP Winner 2025

## ELIGIBILITY

Students must be lawful U.S. permanent residents or have applied for permanent residence (for which the application has not been denied) and intend to become a U.S. citizen at the earliest opportunity.

## APPLICATION DEADLINE:

**OCTOBER 31, 2025**

## PATRIOT'S PEN

- Open to 6th, 7th and 8th grade students
- enrolled by the Oct. 31st deadline
- Submit a 300 – 400-word essay
- This year's theme is, "**How are you showing patriotism and support for our country?**"
- National Prize is currently **\$5,000**



[bit.ly/4bPruk0](https://bit.ly/4bPruk0)



## HOW TO ACCESS THE PLATFORM

A **whitelist** or **allowlist** is a list or register of entities that are being provided a particular privilege, service, mobility, access or recognition. Entities on the list will be accepted, approved and/or recognized. Institutions that want to work with Scholar's App must whitelist the following domain: \*.scholarsapp.com/\* - each institution can do so by reaching out to their IT department or IT manager.

We are working on gaining an **allowlist** status with your State Department of Education, but if you're unable to access the platform, please use your personal device at home or on a public network to apply.

## SECURITY POLICY

Scholar's App set of security features:

- ScholarsApp complies with the SOC 2 Type II standard for security and offers a GDPR-compliant data processing agreement (DPA).
- Advanced DDoS protection - ScholarsApp combines in-house security systems with Cloudflare to block attacks.
- Vulnerability testing - ScholarsApp uses automated code testing, vulnerability testing (including OWASP Top 10), and continuous monitoring technologies.
- Penetration tested - ScholarsApp conducts pen tests annually (at minimum) following the comprehensive OWASP WSTG.
- State-of-the-art encryption - Your data is safeguarded in transit with TLS and at rest through RDS AES-256.
- Secured with AWS - ScholarsApp is built on AWS, which supports 143 security standards and compliance certifications.

## PRIVACY POLICY

Scholar's App is CPA (Consumer Privacy Act) compliant whereby the consumer has the right to limit use and disclosure of sensitive personal information. CPA provides personal information rights and protections for consumers, defined as natural persons. Scholar's App is compliant on not disclosing personal information to a third party for monetary consideration meaning we do not sell your personal information to third parties. CPA gives consumers the right to know what personal information Scholar's App are collecting and how that information is being used.

Scholar's App have two legal responsibilities toward consumers: they must inform consumers in advance regarding data collection and respond to a consumer's request to know what has been collected.

### Inform Consumers

Scholar's App has posted our CPA-compliant privacy notice here: <https://privacy.scholarsapp.com/privacy-policy> and provides consumers what categories of personal information are being collected and for what purposes.

### Consumer Request

Consumers can submit a request to know what personal information Scholar's App has collected from them. For a 12-month period preceding the request, Scholar's App must disclose the category of personal information it has collected, categories of sources, business or commercial purpose for collecting information, categories of third parties that Scholar's App shares personal information, and the specific pieces of personal information it has collected about that consumer. Scholar's App must provide this information free of charge, but only after verifying that the consumer is who they say they are.