Privacy Notice

The Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act, Public Law 106-102 requires a financial institution to provide its customers with a notice of the institution's privacy policies and practices. The privacy policies and practices of the Minnesota Office of Higher Education (OHE) division are provided below.

Your privacy is a serious matter, not only to you, but also to us. OHE recognizes that you expect the personal information you provide and any financial transactions that may transpire to be kept confidential and private. OHE has the same expectations. This notification will inform you of our privacy policies and practices with regard to nonpublic personal information.

OHE administers student scholarships and grants programs. In the course of administering these programs and providing scholarship services, nonpublic personal information is collected regarding students and applicants from the following sources:

- Information we receive from you on applications and other forms,
- Minnesota Department of Health and Human Services,
- Information about your transactions with others or us with respect to your student awards, such as your school(s), the U.S. Department of Education, and as otherwise authorized.

OHE does not disclose any nonpublic personal information about our current or former customers to anyone, except as permitted or required by law. If we share the nonpublic information we have collected about you, we do so only as permitted or required by law. We do share your information with your college and/or university. We may share your information in response to a valid court order or subpoena, to meet regulatory agency requirements, or otherwise required by law.

The nonpublic personal information we receive is used exclusively for the purpose for which it was intended, and access to this information is restricted to those employees who need to know the information to process your request and provide services to you. To ensure your nonpublic personal information is secure, OHE maintains physical, electronic and procedural safeguards that comply with federal regulations.