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3. If you choose to provide personally identifiable data whether by mail, electronically or by telephone, this is data provided to Bridges to Learning alone and may be entered into our CMS. We may also use the information to send you communications about Bridges to Learning that we feel might be of interest to you, such as information advising you of upcoming events, services, products, volunteer or support opportunities. If you do not wish to be contacted by The Bridges to Learning, please do let us know and we will remove your name from our circulation files or you may access your account and elect to "opt out".

4. By using our site, you consent to our privacy policy.

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- e. The type of web browser used by the website user.

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