



2023 Aviation Education Scholarship Application

Awards totaling \$166,145

Tuition Awards

\$ 40,000 Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University (2 awards)

\$ 20,000 Averett University

\$ 20,000 Marywood University

\$ 20,000 Vaughn College of Aeronautics and Technology

\$ 16,000 Saint Francis University (2 awards)

\$ 3,500 First Chime Chef Prive

\$ 3,300 Unmanned Safety Institute

\$ 1,000 Pittsburgh Institute of Aeronautics

Monetary Awards for Tuition and Fees

Fifteen awards totaling \$33,000

Flight Training Awards (6)

Totaling \$9,345

Winners will be announced at the Aviation Education & Career Expo on
November 3rd, 2023. You must be present to win! Email
expo@projetaviation.com to register.

2023 Aviation Education and Career EXPO Scholarship Application

CONTEST RULES

1. Submit the application with your essay by **October 4, 2023** to: expoessay@projetaviation.com. See next page for submission instructions and guidelines.
2. Applicant age range: 16-22 yrs. Note: You may check as many opportunities as you feel are a good fit for your future goals. Read descriptions, special rules, stipulations, and conditions that may apply to certain awards.
3. Winners will be announced at the Aviation Education & Career Expo on **Nov. 3, 2023**.
YOU MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN – NO EXCEPTIONS!
4. Monetary Award winners must claim their prize and declare intent for using the award to further their aviation education through:
 - a. Aviation-related certifications
 - b. Aviation degree programs
 - c. Flight trainingAwards not claimed within 2 years will revert to the Scholarship Fund and be awarded to a future winner. Some exceptions may apply.
5. Check the boxes on the Scholarship Choices list to indicate your interests.
6. The more opportunities you check, the better your chances of winning.

JUDGING CRITERIA

1. **Comprehension** 20 points – How well does the essay respond to the question?
2. **Organization** 20 points – Does the essay follow a logical and easily understood progression? Are the main points supported by evidence and examples?
3. **Content and Creativity** 20 points – How compelling is your story?
4. **Writing** 20 points – Correct grammar, spelling, punctuation and use of language.
5. **Passion** 20 points – Show what you are made of – and why this is so important to you!

ESSAY QUESTIONS FOR ALL MONETARY AND SCHOOL SPECIFIC TUITION AWARDS

Note – School specific awards are only available to incoming new students pursuing degrees and certifications with the sponsored school.

Select ONE of the following questions:

Option #1) Flash forward 7 years from now. You are in the middle of an amazing aviation career! A trendy Pilot's Magazine wants to do a cover story on *you*! Your career, your accomplishments, and your contributions to the industry. What have you done that makes your life worthy of the front page? Write the story of your future!

Option #2) If resources were no object, how would you help make aviation more accessible to lower-income families and individuals? Whether they are pursuing a career in aviation or just want to travel more often, what ideas do you have to help the industry serve more people?

MANDATORY ESSAY QUESTION FOR FLIGHT SCHOOL TRAINING AWARDS

Note – If you are also applying for Monetary and school specific awards – you will submit a total of 2 essays.

Flight Training Essay Question

1. Is there someone in your life that influenced you to pursue aviation? Who was it, and what did they do that drew you to the industry? If it was not a person, then what was it that caused your interest in an aviation career?

Submission Guidelines: Double space the essay, using 12 point font. Your submission must be in essay form which uses complete sentences.

1. Each essay must reflect the contestant's own research, writing and original thoughts.
2. Essays must be typed and submitted via email in a Word Document. The scholarship selection form and the applicant cover page must be submitted with the essay.
3. The title of the essay, but NOT the author's name, MUST appear on the top of the first page of essay text.
4. References used in the essay should be clearly identified.
5. The essay should not exceed 1,000 words.
6. **SUBMIT COMPLETED APPLICATION with Scholarship choices, cover page, and your essay(s) TO expoessay@projetaviation.com NO LATER THAN October 4, 2023.**

NOTE: Applicants may apply for Monetary, School specific and Flight training awards


2023 Aviation Education and Career EXPO Scholarships


College awards are specific for High School Seniors or College eligible students only.


Applicant Name _____


Check box for ONLY the scholarships in which you are interested, but up to as many as you like.


AVIATION EDUCATION TUITION SCHOLARSHIPS.

<input type="checkbox"/>	Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University (2 awards)	(2) \$20,000 (\$5,000/year x4 years)	Daytona Beach, FL	erau.edu 
Scholarship can be used for any degree at the residential campuses. Available programs: Aeronautical Science (flight), Aerospace Engineering, Air Traffic Management, Aviation Business Admin, Aviation Finance, Aviation Maintenance Science, Aviation Security, Homeland Security, Unmanned Aviation Systems Science, Airport Management, and Meteorology. <u>Available to first-time freshman only</u>				


<input type="checkbox"/>	Averett University	\$20,000 (\$5,000/year x4 years)	Danville, VA	Averett.edu 
Aviation Business, Flight Operations, Aerospace Management/Criminal Justice Combination, Flight School, Accident Investigation, Airport Planning & Design, Airline Management <u>Available to first-time freshman only</u>				

<input type="checkbox"/>	Marywood University	\$20,000 (\$5,000/year x4 years)	Scranton, PA	Marywood.edu 
Professional Pilot/Flight Operations Track, Airport/Airline Management, Aviation Management, Flight School, Air Force ROTC <u>Available to first-time freshman only</u>				

<input type="checkbox"/>	Vaughn College of Aeronautics and Technology	\$20,000 (\$5,000/year x4 years)	Flushing, NY	Vaughn.edu 
Must be used for the following Bachelor degree programs: BS Airport Management, BS Airline Management, BS Aircraft Operations, BS Aeronautical Sciences, BS Mechanical Engineering Technology, BS Electronic Engineering Technology, BS Mechanical Engineering, BS Electrical Engineering, BS Mechatronic Engineering. <u>Available to first-time freshman only</u> , 3.0 GPA or higher must be obtained to meet school requirements.				

<input type="checkbox"/>	Saint Francis University (2 awards)	(2) \$8,000 (\$2,000/year x4 years)	Loretto, PA	Francis.edu 
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Become that Someone at Saint Francis University! Saint Francis University in Loretto, PA is the oldest Catholic-Franciscan college in the United States and provides a gateway into the world of aviation through programs in engineering, flight training, computer science, cybersecurity, and more. Our partnerships with Nulton Aviation Services and the SkyWest Pilot Pathways Program can help your education reach new heights! Our mission is to help students grow into compassionate, successful professionals through a culture informed by the Catholic faith and characterized by generosity, respect, discovery, and joy.
Available to first-time freshman only


<input type="checkbox"/>	First Chime Chef Prive	\$3,500	Frederick, MD	firstchime.com 
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Soar to new heights with this amazing opportunity! Seeking Business Aviation Cabin Crewmembers and In-Flight Caters for private jet aircraft. Duties could include Executive Chef, Dietary Technician, Professional Shopper, Greeter, Concierge, Travel Coordinator, Bartender, Nurse, Security, and Emergency Response Team member.


This scholarship will be awarded to a high school or college student pursuing a corporate or commercial “Flight Attendant Certification” through an accredited school. Additionally, The First Chime winner will enjoy hands-on corporate aviation culinary training, as a resume builder, in the First Chime executive kitchen! An extraordinary experience!

If the winner chooses to use this award at the Community College of Baltimore County (CCBC) - Books and class supplies will also be awarded, courtesy of CCBC!

If you are a multi-tasker, organized, have a creative spirit and love to take care of people. This could be the opportunity of a lifetime.

<input type="checkbox"/>	Unmanned Safety Institute, Inc.	\$3,300	Orlando, FL	Unmanned-safety.org 
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USI’s world-class certification program in remotely piloted aircraft systems (RPAS) provides flight safety training and certification to operational standards based on the adoption and modification of time-honored aviation safety practices. With more than 300 instructors and over 15,000 USI Certifications awarded around the world, USI works with large commercial enterprises and nearly 500 schools in all 50 states. USI is the global leader in commercial and academic RPAS training and certification, delivered the most highly regarded drone training program of its kind. This is a Full Scholarship to USI Stage 1 training and certification program.

<input type="checkbox"/>	Pittsburgh Institute of Aeronautics	\$1,000	Hagerstown, MD	pia.edu 
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PIA's flagship program, the Aviation Maintenance Technology program, has led the industry in providing quality aircraft mechanics for over 90 years. This program provides students with the opportunity to test for the prestigious FAA's Airframe and Powerplant Certification, the "golden ticket" to a career in aviation maintenance.


A day in the life of an aviation technician could include working on these items: Turbine Engines, Reciprocating Engines, Metallic Structures, Ignitions Systems, Hydraulics & Pneumatics, Composite Materials, Welding, and more!


MONETARY SCHOLARSHIPS


**MONETARY SCHOLARSHIPS CAN BE USED AT AVIATION SCHOOL OF STUDENT'S CHOICE.
THESE AWARDS ALSO MAY BE USED FOR FLIGHT TRAINING**


<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>Paramount Business Jets, Paragon Aviation Group paramountbusinessjets.com; paragonaviationgroup.com</p> <div style="text-align: right;">  </div> <p>Paramount Business Jets (PBJ) is a worldwide private jet charter broker and jet card membership provider recognized throughout the industry for its fair and ethical business practices. PBJ is an INC 500 company and has a corporate culture built upon the core principles of honesty, integrity, and transparency. PBJ was founded in 2005 by Richard Zaher, a former pilot and Aerospace Studies graduate of Embry Riddle Aeronautical University (ERAU). For more information, visit www.ParamountBusinessJets.com</p> <p>The Paragon Network® is a distinguished membership of over 90 elite FBOs and international handling agents that provide world-class service to general aviation travelers across the globe. Paragon Aviation Group performs a comprehensive audit of the facilities and services offered to ensure the quality of the member base before any FBO joins The Paragon Network. Each member FBO must comply with a set of strategically developed core standards to remain in the group. Paragon Aviation Group facilitates The Paragon Network.</p> <p>In memory of Fury Gilad</p> <div style="text-align: right;">  <p>PARAGON NETWORK™</p> </div>	<p>\$7,000</p>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>Pelican Aircraft Consulting pelicanaircraft.com</p> <div style="text-align: right;">  <p>PELICAN AIRCRAFT CONSULTING</p> </div> <p>Elaine D. Harmon served in the U.S. Women Airforce Service Pilots (WASP) during World War II. In 2009 she received a Congressional Gold Medal for her service as a pilot during World War II. As a WASP pilot, she has been accorded full military honors at Arlington National Cemetery. In 2016, Ms. Harmon was posthumously inducted into the Maryland Women's Hall of Fame.</p> <p>In memory of Elaine D. Harmon *Scholarship winner must be a female.</p>	<p>\$5,000</p>


<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>ProJet Aviation, Hoxton Agency, Avemco Insurance Company, AOPA projetaviation.com; hoxton.com; avemco.com; aopa.org</p> <p>ProJet Aviation is the DC metro region's premier aviation hospitality company, dedicated to helping people accomplish extraordinary things through the wonder of private flight. The company operates ProJet Center, a Fixed Base Operation (FBO), at Leesburg Executive Airport (KJYO), general aviation's gateway to Washington DC, Dulles, and Virginia's Horse & Wine Country.</p> <p>The Hoxton Agency, Inc. is committed to providing the highest quality of insurance service at the lowest possible cost. As an independent agency with access to both domestic and international insurers, we are able to tailor your coverage to precisely fit your needs.</p> <p>Avemco – We have been insuring pilots for over 60 years. We pride ourselves on our level of service, industry knowledge, and passion for flying. Our Aviation Specialist are ready to answer your questions and walk you through the insurance process.</p> <p>The AOPA team, operating out of offices in Frederick, Maryland, and Washington, DC, exists to protect and to grow the incredible privilege that we call general aviation. Whether it is through educating the public about the fun and the utility that aircraft can provide, preparing resources and training material to enhance the skills of pilots everywhere, or advocating for aviation within government agencies—it is our job to maintain the strength and vitality of the flying community.</p> <p>In memory of Sarah Thompson</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center; margin-top: 20px;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> </div>	<p>\$4,000</p>
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<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>Greater Washington Business Aviation Association gwbaa.com</p> <div style="text-align: right; margin-right: 50px;">  </div> <p>The Greater Washington (DC) Business Aviation Association (GWBA) is a regional affiliate of NBAA. GWBA membership provides opportunities for ongoing learning and networking with the business aviation community.</p> <p>*Scholarship winner must be a Class of 2024 high school student, current full-time student in an accredited college, or enrolled in an Aviation Trade/Flight Training School. Recipient must express a career path towards business aviation and should demonstrate such in their written response.</p>	<p>\$2,500</p>
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<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>Aviation Influence aviationinfluence.com</p> <p>To serve our young people in discovering STEM and aviation through outreach. To elevate the interest, engagement, and enthusiasm of youth through hands-on STEM and aviation outreach locally and in underrepresented regions. Preparing future generations to be global explorers, discovering their passion for innovation, leadership, and technology.</p>	 <p>\$2,500</p>
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<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>Paragon Aviation Detailing paragonaviationdetailing.com</p> <p>Paragon Aviation Detailing provides high quality professional cleaning and detailing services to corporate and individual aircraft operators and owners, fractional ownership companies, flight departments and FBO's.</p>	 <p>\$2,000</p>
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<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>NetJets netjets.com</p> <p>Beginning as the first private jet charter and management company, NetJets® has led the industry for nearly 60 years from Columbus, Ohio. Then in 1986, they revolutionized it with the concept of shared ownership and proceeded to build the largest, most diverse private jet fleet in the world. Known for its unwavering commitment to safety, service, and unmatched global access, NetJets is the favored choice of the world's most discerning travelers. NetJets Inc. also encompasses Executive Jet Management, QS Partners, and QS Security and offers a variety of travel solutions customized to fit each Owner's needs. This includes fractional aircraft ownership, lease and jet card options, aircraft management, private jet chartering, brokerage and acquisition services, and specialized security services. For more information about the world's most reliable and trusted aviation company, please visit netjets.com.</p>	 <p>\$2,000</p>
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<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>Smokehouse Pilots Club, Inc. smokehousepilots.com</p> <p>Smokehouse Pilots Club, Inc. is a social pilots club made up of individuals that share a passion for aviation. The group consists of pilots, flight instructors, small plane owners and renters, student pilots, commercial pilots and military pilots both active and retired. We welcome anyone that loves aviation!</p>	 <p>\$2,000</p>
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<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>Jet Linx Aviation jetlinx.com</p> <p>At Jet Linx we've taken a different approach to private jet travel. A more focused, personalized approach. By doing so, we are able to provide you with a local team you know and trust, local planes, local pilots, and a local private terminal to serve you. Welcome to Your Personal Jet Company.</p>	 <p>\$1,000</p>
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<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>Air Line Pilots Association, Int'l alpa.org</p> <p>The Air Line Pilots Association, International (ALPA) represents and advocates for more than 74,000 pilots at 42 U.S. and Canadian airlines, making it the world's largest airline pilot union. Through its Education Committee, ALPA promotes the piloting profession and mentors aspiring aviators who are preparing for the industry. Learn more at www.ClearedToDream.org.</p> <p>*Scholarship for student pursuing career as a professional airline pilot.</p>	 <p>Air Line Pilots Association, Int'l</p> <p>\$1,000</p>
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<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>Women in Aviation International wai.org</p> <p>At WAI, we strive to encourage, empower, and educate all those whose interests, lives, and work involve aviation and aerospace without regard to race, ethnicity, gender identity, age, sexual orientation, physical or mental abilities, or point of view. We know with certainty that our shared passion for aviation transcends any differences among us.</p>	 <p>\$1,000</p>
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<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>Goose Creek Aviation, LLC GooseCreekAvn.com</p> <p>Pilot Services, Aircraft Management, Flight Instruction, Consulting in Helicopters, Turboprops, and Jets</p> <p>*Scholarship for student pursuing career as a professional pilot.</p>	 <p>\$1,000</p>
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<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>Women in Aviation Capital Region Charter and NBAA YoPros Wai.org/chapters/capital-region-chapter</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;"> <div data-bbox="250 296 685 394">  </div> <div data-bbox="997 176 1263 443">  </div> </div> <p>Women in Aviation International is a nonprofit 501 © (3) organization dedicated to providing networking, education, mentoring, and scholarship opportunities for women and men in all aviation career fields and interests. The Capital Region Chapter (CRC) consists of members in the Northern VA and Washington, DC area. NBAA's Young Professionals in Business Aviation (YoPro) is a group dedicated to building relationships between emerging leaders across the business aviation industry. With expertise in areas such as marketing, professional development and community outreach, YoPro members work to connect young professionals while also increasing public awareness of new initiatives in this vibrant and growing industry.</p> <p>This scholarship may be awarded to a male or female applicant!</p>	<p>\$1,000</p>
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<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>AvFuel Corporation</p> <p>avfuel.com</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;"> <div data-bbox="191 1066 1117 1276"> <p>Avfuel is a global supplier of aviation fuel and services. Having served the aviation industry for 50 years. Avfuel's global fueling network includes more than 3,000 worldwide locations throughout North America and Europe. Avfuel focuses exclusively on aviation, continuing to solicit and incorporate the insight of pilots, flight departments and FBOs. We're not in the business of simply selling fuel and services – we're in the business of connecting people, companies and culture.</p> </div> <div data-bbox="1133 1045 1284 1247">  </div> </div>	<p>\$500</p>
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<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>LeRoy W. Homer Jr. Foundation leroywhomerjr.org</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;"> <div data-bbox="191 1587 1305 1829"> <p>The LeRoy W. Homer Jr. Foundation is a memorial legacy foundation honoring the memory of LeRoy Homer, First Officer of the United Airlines #93 when it crashed in Shanksville, PA on September 11th, 2001. The mission of The LeRoy W. Homer Jr. foundation is to encourage and support young adults who wish to pursue careers as professional pilots and increase awareness to the field of aviation. The Foundation awards two flight scholarships annually to obtain private pilot certification.</p> </div> <div data-bbox="824 1472 1321 1692">  </div> </div>	<p>\$500</p>
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FLIGHT TRAINING AWARDS


Bravo Flight Training	\$3,000	Frederick, MD Martinsburg, WV Gaithersburg, MD	<div style="text-align: right;">bravoflighttraining.com</div> 
<p>Bravo Flight Training, was founded in 2016 with a simple goal in mind: to provide an unparalleled flight training experience to its students. Because it is operated by a full-time flight instructor, Bravo Flight Training can offer a level of personalized attention that is rare within the industry. We love to fly, and our singular passion is to share the fun and the excitement of aviation with all of those who have ever dreamed to taking to the sky.</p>			

Frederick Flight Center	\$3,000	Frederick, MD Middle River, MD	<div style="text-align: right;">frederickflight.com</div> 
<p>We have two locations. Frederick Flight Center located in Frederick MD and Middle River Flight Center located in Middle River, MD. Both locations we offer airplane fixed wing and helicopter rotary wing flight training, rentals, and maintenance. Interested in discovering the joy of aviation? Give us a call today to book a discovery flight.</p>			

Aero Elite Training	\$1,500	Leesburg, VA Winchester, VA Manassas, VA Norfolk, VA	<div style="text-align: right;">aeflight.com</div> 
<p>Specializes in Private Pilot, Instrument, Commercial, CFI, and Multi-Engine training.</p>			

OpenAir Flight Training Cirrus Aircraft	\$1,000	Leesburg, VA Gaithersburg, MD	<div style="text-align: right;">flyopenair.com cirrusaircraft.com</div>
<p>OpenAir is a Cirrus Partner and Platinum Training Center specializing in world class training, charter, and aircraft management. We currently have two locations in the DMV area to serve your needs: Leesburg, VA and Gaithersburg, Maryland.</p> <p>Cirrus Aircraft consists of passionate aviation enthusiasts focusing on safety, innovation and quality.</p> <p>Together, OpenAir and Cirrus share a singular mission: To deliver an aviation experience beyond anything you've ever witnessed.</p> <div style="text-align: right;">   </div>			

Aviation Adventures	\$645	Leesburg, VA Manassas, VA Stafford, VA Warrenton, VA Winchester, VA	aviationadventures.com 
<p>Aviation Adventures is the largest flight school in the region, with five locations in the Northern Virginia area. Thanks to our top notch training programs, we have been granted Self-Examining Authority from the FAA--that means no more FAA checkrides for our students!</p>			

Mindstar Aviation	\$200	Leesburg, VA	mindstaraviation.com 
<p>Mindstar is a software developer of simulations for aircraft systems and avionics used in professional flight simulators and home-use aviation training products. Mindstar Aviation software is used onboard certified professional flight simulators worldwide. Mindstar also specializes in cockpit-specific aircraft system simulations such as electrical systems, hydraulic systems, pneumatic systems, etc. Mindstar products are utilized in both the military and intelligence communities. Avionics products include the Garmin G1000, Rockwell-Collins Proline 21, Avidyne Entegra, and a variety of other avionics such as autopilots and GPS units. The simulated aircraft range from a simple single-engine piston trainer, up to King Air turboprops and Citation business jets. Scholarship is for 1 hour of full Motion Simulator time with instructor!</p>			

APPLICANT COVER PAGE

Applicant # _____ (office use only)

Essay title: _____

Essay number: _____

Author's name: _____

Author's address: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

School name or homeschooled: _____

Year of graduation: _____

Name of supervising teacher or home school parent: _____

Teacher or Parent Contact Information: (email or phone) _____

Attach essay to this application as a word document. Use only the title of the essay in your document. Do not use your name.

All fields are REQUIRED.

***Please make sure you have read all requirements for each scholarship selected before submitting your application. There is NO LIMIT to the number of scholarships for which you may apply, so you are encouraged to apply for ALL scholarships that you are eligible.**