



NORTHWEST ANTIQUE AIRPLANE CLUB



Solo Flight Scholarship Criteria

Establishment of the Solo Flight Scholarship:

The NWAAC Solo Flight Scholarship was established in 1981 in honor of the memory of Adrian Fuhrman, a club member that had a passion for sharing his love and enthusiasm for flying. Adrian died in an aviation related accident. He was appreciated and respected by all that knew him and was considered a friend to all.

Goal and Objectives:

The goal of the scholarship is to encourage young people to achieve their solo pilot's endorsement so that they will continue on with their flight training to become certificated private pilots. This solo endorsement shall be certified in their logbook or training/flight record by a currently rated flight instructor in good standing with the FAA.

Every year at the discretion of the Executive Committee, NWAAC can offer a Solo Flight Scholarship, up to the amount of \$2500.00. This scholarship is for young people between the age of 15 ½ to the age of 26. The number of scholarships offered, and the dollar amount of the scholarship shall be determined by the Executive Committee after the final accounting of the Clubs books at the end of the fiscal year.

Being the child or a grandchild of a member does not assure the applicant will be awarded a scholarship. Part of the goal of the scholarship is to generate more awareness to the general public of the presence, history and heritage of NWAAC. Towards that end recruitment of scholarship applicants from outside the normal reach of NWAAC members is encouraged.

Application Criteria

Application form filing and procedures:

A student pilot that has not yet soloed that is the age of 15 ½ up to the age of 26 can apply for a Solo Flight Scholarship by obtaining an application online or by contacting the scholarship committee. Note that the FAA minimum age to solo is 16. This scholarship does not cover advanced ratings such as instrument, multi engine, seaplane or commercial ratings.

The applicant is to fill out and provide all the information outlined on the application form. In filling out the application an applicant is to print the information on the form.

The applicant is to fill in their name, address, home phone number and date of birth. They are to supply the name of their parent or guardian if under 18 years old. If attending a school or college fill in the name and the school address and phone number.

If the applicant is in school or college the school section is to be filled out for possible verification of enrollment. The phone number here should be the registrar's office. This is the same for a high school, college or trade school.

Indicate the flight school, FBO or CFI that you intend to use for your instruction. This is so that NWAAC can coordinate with the school, FBO or instructor on progress, program or other issues with the instructor.

A copy of the results of the FAA written exam showing that the applicant has a passing grade is to be attached and submitted with the application. Also, a copy of a third class medical certificate showing that the applicant has passed the exam is to be attached and submitted with the application. If the applicant does not have these at the time of being accepted as an applicant, they have 90 days from the date of being notified of approval of scholarship to acquire them.

In the fields of interest the categories are to be checked that the applicant have an interest in or will pursue with his/her pilot's certificate. The area of 'other' may be Airport Management, ATC or an A&P license. These areas are to be of additional interest of the applicant. The focus and goal of the applicant is to become a certificated pilot.

The applicant is to write an essay of 500 words with proper spelling and grammar explaining his/her interest in becoming a pilot and the areas of aviation that were checked above. The essay is to be attached and submitted with the application. The applicant also needs to date and sign the application.

Letters of recommendation by third parties (no parent or guardian) attesting to the applicant's character are encouraged to be attached to the application.

Upon being selected and notified a scholarship recipient shall make a brief presentation to the membership at a regularly scheduled meeting to be coordinated with the scholarship committee chairperson.

Scholarship Review and Awarding Criteria

Acceptance and review of applications:

Applications will be accepted from January 1st to December 31st and forwarded to the scholarship committee for evaluation and assessment. All scholarship applications shall be reviewed within one month of being received.

The scholarship committee, after reviewing the application shall make a report with comment and/or recommendation of the scholarship applicant to the executive board at the next executive board meeting. The executive board shall make their recommendation of the applicant and bring that recommendation to the next general meeting of the club members for a final vote.

Awarding of Scholarships:

The recipient of a scholarship shall be notified of their standing immediately after the general meeting when the final vote was taken. At the earliest possible general meeting the recipient is to make a brief presentation to the membership. The recipient is expected to be present at the annual Fly-in Banquet for an appearance before the members, pilots and guests where if applicable they shall be presented with a certificate for their achievement of obtaining their solo endorsement.

Funds will be given to a scholarship recipient upon presenting to the club officials proof of completing a ground school course, passing an FAA written exam and completing a Third Class Medical in the amount of \$500.00.

The remaining funds will be awarded to the recipient upon presenting to the club officials proof of a solo flight endorsement in their logbook or flight records by a current CFI in good standing. Scholarships are non-transferable and can only be utilized by the named recipient.

The scholarship recipients have one year from the time they are notified of being awarded a scholarship to obtain their solo flight endorsement. If a recipient has not soloed within this time frame they will need to re-apply and re-submit an application to be considered for a scholarship again.

