



National Aviation Explorer Scholarships Guide and Application

The National Aviation Exploring Committee awards scholarships to recognize excellence among Aviation Explorers studying the technologies and the skills needed in the field of aviation. The sponsors that provide the scholarships are committed to aviation's future leadership. Applicant's description of their personal record should show that they can successfully complete the aviation career educational activity for which they are requesting the scholarship. Also their personal record should show their involvement in life skills, citizenship, leadership, and character education experiences that add to the quality of life.

NOTE: If scholarship funds are used for training in the avionics, pilot, maintenance, or management categories, the flight training must be provided by the FAA Approved Part 141 and Part 61 school or through an accredited college or university in pursuit of a degree leading to an aviation profession.

Background

The National Aviation Exploring Committee awards scholarships annually to encourage Aviation Explorers to enter and complete an aviation curriculum. National Aviation Committee Members know that aviation offers a variety of exciting, well-paying careers, and that qualified and motivated Aviation Explorers should be given encouragement and assistance in choosing a career in aviation. Through the years, the National Aviation Exploring Committee has been a supporter of projects designed to promote aviation to young people. This long standing dedication to the Aviation Exploring community continues with the National Aviation Explorer Scholarship Program.



Applicant Eligibility and Checklist ✓

1. Applicant must be currently registered and active in an Aviation Explorer post.
2. Applicant must obtain parent or guardian signature on the application if under 18 years of age.
3. Applicant must provide a minimum of one recommendation letter from an aviation post advisor, aviation professional, teacher, employer, community leader, etc. Recommendation letters should not come from family members.
4. Attach the following items in an email to exploring@lflmail.org by the deadline:
 - a. Completed application
 - b. High resolution self portrait
 - c. Letter(s) of recommendation
 - d. Copy of any FAA written exam results
 - e. FAA medical, if applicable
 - f. Other FAA certificates, if any
 - g. College transcript, if applicable

NOTE: All components must be submitted in the same email. Components submitted in separate emails will not be accepted.

How to Apply

An Aviation Explorer can apply for any of the National Aviation Explorer scholarships ranging from \$5,000 to \$10,000 by submitting one standard application and other requested documentation by the deadline noted below. Aviation Explorer Scholarship recipients will be selected by members of the National Aviation Exploring Committee and will be notified by email no later than August 1st annually. Since applications are not carried over year to year previous applications can be updated and resubmitted to the local council.

Deadlines

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| March 31 | Aviation Explorer submits completed application, 3 letters of recommendation and high-resolution photo to National Exploring Service Center via email, exploring@lflmail.org . |
| Aug 1 | Applicants will receive notice of award via email. |

NATIONAL AVIATION EXPLORER SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION



APPLICANT INFORMATION

Full Name _____ Participant ID No. _____

Today's Date _____ Date of Birth _____ Age _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Parent/Guardian name _____

Parent Phone _____ Email _____

Parent Signature if nominee is under 18 years of age _____

POST INFORMATION

Post No. _____ Participating Organization _____

Local Council No. _____ Headquarters City & ST _____

Post Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

ADVISOR ENDORSEMENT

Post Advisor's Full Name _____

Advisor Phone _____ Email _____

By signing below I verify that the aforementioned Explorer has been registered in the post for _____ years and _____ months. I also give my personal recommendation for this Explorer to be considered for an Aviation Exploring Scholarship.

Advisor Signature _____ Date _____

LOCAL COUNCIL VERIFICATION

Verification Date _____ Employee Name/Title _____



SELECT THE SCHOLARSHIPS FOR WHICH YOU'D LIKE TO APPLY:

Please read the scholarship criteria carefully to be sure you are eligible.

The National Aviation Exploring Committee awards individual scholarships between \$5,000 and \$10,000 annually to Aviation Explorers pursuing an interest in aviation. The intent of these scholarships is to identify and reward those individuals who best exemplify the qualities that lead to success in the aviation industry.

You may apply for as many types of scholarships as you wish. However, you are only eligible to receive one scholarship per academic year. Candidates are judged on their documentation of leadership involvement, aviation accomplishments, and recognition of achievement as well as the strength of their essay stating their educational plan for a career in aviation.

Note that there are time Limitations for receiving scholarship funds.

Degree Leading to an Aviation Profession (Scholarship value \$20,000 over 2 years)

Awarded to an Aviation Explorer accepted or attending an accredited college or university in pursuit of a degree leading to an aviation profession. Provide a copy of your high school or college transcript. Funds must be redeemed within four years of receiving the award.

Avionics (Scholarship value \$5,000)

Awarded to Aviation Explorer high school seniors or college students who plan to or are attending an accredited school in an avionics program. Funds must be redeemed within two years of receiving the award.

Pilot (Pilot Certificate) (Scholarship value \$5,000)

Awarded to an Aviation Explorer pursuing their sport or private pilot certificate (any type aircraft) and may or may not be pursuing a career in aviation. Flight training must be completed within one year. Candidates are judged on the strength of their essay stating their plan for their pilot's license, evidence of interest in learning to fly, and performance history in education and/or work, volunteerism, financial need. Funds must be redeemed within two years of receiving the award.

Maintenance (Scholarship value \$5,000)

Awarded to Aviation Explorer high school seniors or college students who plan to or are attending an accredited school in an aircraft repair program. Funds must be redeemed within two years of receiving the award.

Management (Scholarship value \$5,000)

Awarded to an Aviation Explorer student in an aviation management program (to include design, engineering, airport management, etc.) at an accredited college or university. Funds must be redeemed within two years of receiving the award.



APPLICANT'S PERSONAL RECORD

Attach additional sheets as needed.

1. CAREER OPPORTUNITIES EXPERIENCE Describe your aviation career goals to include how you can successfully complete the aviation career educational activity for which you are requesting the scholarship.

2. LIFE SKILLS EXPERIENCE Describe your accomplishments/involvement with aviation to include activities that provided positive social interaction.

3. CITIZENSHIP EXPERIENCE List all organizations that you were a member of during high school and college that involved them in service that adds to the quality of life. Indicate with an asterisk [*] those in which you are now active.

4. LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE List all leadership positions that you have held during high school and college. Indicate with an asterisk [*] those positions now held.



5. CHARACTER EDUCATION EXPERIENCE List important achievements, awards, or recognitions that you have received; the organizations that presented them; and the year received.

6. OPTIONAL ADDITIONAL INFORMATION Provide any additional information that you feel important such as work experience, personal hardships, what you have learned from volunteer experiences, unusual financial circumstances, etc.

7. EDUCATIONAL PLAN Submit a 500 word educational plan showing how you are going to finance your goal for a career in aviation.



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PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Name _____ Date _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Post/Club No. _____ Post/Club City & ST _____

Signature _____

Witness Name _____ Signature _____

IF UNDER 18:

Guardian Name (printed) _____

Guardian Signature _____