



SHAWN STEWART AND SHAWN TUCKER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The West Virginia Airport Managers Association (herein referenced as WVAMA) has established a Memorial Scholarship Program in memory of Shawn Stewart, P.E., and Shawn Tucker, P.E. Both served as Professional Civil Engineers in the aviation industry in West Virginia.

This Memorial Scholarship Program will provide financial assistance to students that demonstrate financial need in the pursuit of a career in the aviation industry for full-time study at an accredited institution of the student's choice.

The scholarship program is administered by the WVAMA. Eligibility for this program will be determined at the sole discretion of the Sponsor, and eligible applications will be review by the WVAMA Memorial Scholarship Program Committee. The Committee will consist of the sitting WVAMA President and four (4) WVAMA members elected by the WVAMA. The four (4) committee members shall serve a five (5) year term.

Program Guidelines

The WVAMA Memorial Scholarship Program will provide up to \$5,000.00 on a yearly basis after the consideration of other scholarships to selected recipients in their pursuit of a degree or industry-recognized credentials from an accredited institution in the aviation or related industry.

Applications are due no later than April 30th. Applications will be evaluated by the WVAMA Memorial Scholarship Program Committee, and recipients will be notified in **June**. Payments will be made in equal installments in August and December or as determined by the institution's curriculum. Checks will be disbursed to the recipient. Applicants agree to accept the decision of the committee as final.

Applications for the program must meet the eligibility requirements herein stated, and the applicant must be enrolled or accepted in a field of study or associated area as described herein. All applicants must submit the WVAMA application form, along with the required documents herein listed, to be considered for evaluation.

Family members of the WVAMA Memorial Scholarship Committee will not be eligible to participate in the program.

Eligibility Requirements

Applicants to the WVAMA Memorial Scholarship Program must meet the following eligibility requirements:

1. Must be a U.S. citizen and resident of West Virginia.
2. Must be a high school senior, high school graduate, or GED equivalent.
3. Must not have earned a bachelor's degree prior to applying.
4. Must be currently enrolled or accepted for enrollment at an accredited institution as follows:
Technical School, Trade School, Two-Year Community College, or College/University.
5. Must be obtaining an Associate Degree or an industry-recognized credential in the aviation industry in one of the fields of study listed below.
6. Must be interested in the aviation field.

Fields of Study

If the student's specific major does not fall under one of the listed fields of study, but is related to the aviation industry, the student may still be eligible to apply.

1. Engineering
 - a. Aerospace
 - b. Civil
 - c. Mechanical
2. Aviation Management/Planning
 - a. Airport Management
 - b. Aviation Planning and Operations
 - c. Aviation Marketing
3. Engineering Technologies
 - a. Aerospace Engineer Technician
 - b. CAD Drafting/Design
 - c. Electrical/Electronics Technician/Drafting
4. Mechanical and Repair Technologies
 - a. Aircraft Maintenance
 - b. Aircraft Power Plant Technician
 - c. Airframe Mechanics
 - d. Avionics Maintenance Technician
 - e. Electronic Technician
5. Aviation Professional Flight Program
 - a. Pilot Training

Scholarship Selection of Applicants

Scholarship recipients are selected based on of the following:

- Academic Records
- Demonstrated Financial Need
- Personal or Family Circumstances
- A Statement of Career Goals and Objectives
- Participation in School and Community Activities (specifically related to Aviation)

- Work Experience
- Personal Recommendations
- Any Additional Information as Requested by the WVAMA

Applications will be evaluated by the WVAMA Memorial Scholarship Committee and recipients selected based upon the information provided.

All applicants agree to accept the decision of the WVAMA Memorial Scholarship Committee as final.

Awards

Awards are not renewable on an annual basis. Applications must be submitted annually.

If selected, the recipient may be awarded up to \$5,000.00 for the accredited Institutions semester(s) within the year applied in the sole discretion of the sponsor. Funds must be distributed within the award fiscal year.

A student may be selected and awarded a Scholarship up to three (3) years or until a degree or industry-recognized credential is earned, whichever occurs first, based on academic performance in a full-time aviation field of study at an accredited institution.

Notification

Applicants will be notified in **June**. If an applicant is not selected, they may reapply to the program each year they meet the eligibility requirements.

Payment of Scholarship

The WVAMA will make payments to the recipient in equal installments in August and December or as determined by the institution's curriculum.

Required Documents

Applications must provide the following information to the WVAMA.

1. The completed WVAMA Memorial Scholarship Program Application
2. Academic records (such as High School Diploma/GED, current institutional transcript, etc.)
3. A letter from the applicant, parent or advisor demonstrating the student's financial need, including personal or family circumstance that are applicable
4. A statement of career goals and objectives written by the applicant
5. Documentation of school and community activities, particularly those related to aviation
6. At least two personal (non - family) letters of reference/recommendation for the Scholarship

The WVAMA Memorial Scholarship Program Committee may request additional information if deemed necessary.

WVAMA Contact Information

For information, please contact the WVAMA at www.wvama.org/contact-us or telephone 681-910-3511.