



2021 Upwind Summer Scholarship Application

Introduction

This application will be used to assess your candidacy for the Upwind Summer Scholarship (Upwind). The scholarship is for an intensive, nine-week program of flight training during the summer between your junior and senior year. There is a ground school that begins in April and the time commitment will be 3 hours per week for class (weekend morning or weekday evening); study and homework will require another 2-3 hours per week.

The Upwind Selection Committee reserves the right to ask for clarification, additional information, and a personal interview with you and your parent(s) or guardian prior to making their final selection.

Please review the [Upwind Scholarship FAQ](#) for guidance on completing the application and information about the program. If you have any questions, please email scholarship@upwindscholarship.com or call **650.394.5364**.

There will be an Upwind informational meeting for any interested applicants on Saturday, January 30 at 3:00pm. You can register at upwindscholarship.com/info-meeting. Applicants with questions are encouraged to attend to find out more about the program.

Your application must be received by 5:00pm on Friday, February 19, 2021. Any applications submitted after this time will not be accepted.

APPLICANT INFORMATION		
Name:		
Address:		
City:	State:	ZIP Code:
Phone:	Email:	
Gender:	Date of Birth:	Age on August 2 nd , 2021: _____
HIGH SCHOOL AND ACADEMIC INFORMATION		
School Name:		
Last day of school: ____/____/2021		First day of school fall semester: ____/____/2021
School City:	Grade Level:	Grade Point Average weighted (GPA): Average unweighted (GPA):

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HOBBY, VOLUNTEER, OR WORK EXPERIENCE		
Activity /Organization / Responsibilities	Time/Duration	Aviation Related ?
		Y / N
		Y / N
		Y / N
		Y / N

FLIGHT EXPERIENCE (Not required to be selected)		
Type of Experience (e.g., training, travel, sightseeing, fun)	Type of Aircraft	Flight Time (if any)

PARENT / GUARDIAN INFORMATION		
Name of Parent(s) or Guardian(s):		
Address:		
City:	State:	ZIP Code:
Phone:	Email:	
Relationship:		

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ESSAYS QUESTIONS

Please write an essay for each of the following four questions. The total length of the four essays should not exceed 2 pages.

1. What is your interest in aviation? What are your hopes or plans for a future in aviation? What steps have you taken in that direction?
2. Upwind is an intense 9-week training program that presents both a physical and educational challenge. The pace of learning is intense and requires an ability to focus on, comprehend, and retain a great deal of knowledge and skill. Tell us about your ability to succeed in this type of program, using relevant past experiences.
3. How would Upwind impact your life and goals? Is there a financial need preventing you from doing flight training on your own?
4. How would you describe your ability to communicate with others? What would you consider the attributes of a good role model for aviation and how would you see yourself fulfilling that role?

VIDEO SUBMISSION

Submit a short video of 5 minutes or less to help the Upwind Summer Scholarship Committee gain an understanding of your passion for aviation, ability to succeed, and the impact the program would have on your life. Please provide a 'link' to your video in this application or email it to scholarship@upwindscholarship.com.

video URL:

SHORT ANSWERS

In the space provided, please provide a brief answer to the following questions:

In what other activities will you be participating this summer? List the time commitment for all the activities.	
List the dates of any family vacation or trips planned for this summer.	
Are there any factors that would limit your participation in the full 9-week program?	
Where did you hear about the Upwind program?	

LETTERS OF REFERENCES (2)

Submit **two letters** of reference from individuals (not including family members) that best know you and can provide supporting evidence of your interest in aviation, your ability to succeed, and the impact the program would have on your life. Please ensure that at least one letter of reference is from your school.

UPWIND SUMMER SCHOLARSHIP COMMITMENTS

FAA Class 3 Medical Certificate: I have read and understand the [Guidance Regarding FAA Medical Certificates](#) and will complete my aviation medical examination with an FAA Aviation Medical Examiner (AME) no later than March 31st, 2021. I will have the FAA class 3 medical certificate issued no later than June 5th. The cost of the initial examination will be paid for by the Upwind Summer Scholarship Program.

(initial here) _____

Ground School: I will attend the Upwind-provided Private Pilot ground school (or an alternative to be approved by Upwind). This will commence in April and will continue through mid-June. The time commitment will be 3 hours per week for class (weekend morning or weekday evening); study and homework will require another 2-3 hours per week.

(initial here) _____

Summer Training: After the conclusion of the academic year, I will be expected to attend flight training, ground training and Upwind related activities **Monday through Friday from 9:00 AM until 5:00 PM** beginning Monday, June 7th, and occasionally on evenings and weekends **continuously for nine (9) weeks**.

(initial here) _____

Evaluation: I understand that at key checkpoints in the program, my progress will be evaluated and my continuation in the program will be contingent on meeting program milestones.

(initial here) _____

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SIGNATURE – APPLICANT

I confirm that the information included on this application is true to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant:

Date:

SIGNATURE – PARENT OR GUARDIAN

I confirm that the information included in this application, to the best of my knowledge, is true and that if my daughter or son is selected for the Upwind Summer Scholarship, that I will support him or her to the best of my family's abilities. If my daughter or son is selected, I understand that participation in the program will be contingent upon signing the Upwind release of liability waiver, made available at upwindscholarship.com/waiver2021.

Parent or Guardian:

Date:

SIGNATURE - INFORMATION RELEASE

I hereby grant the Upwind Summer Scholarship Program and to their respective employees, agents and assigns (collectively, "Upwind") the right to use the documents and images ("Images") that I have submitted to the organization for the purpose of promoting Upwind's business activities, whether by electronic, print, or digital media or by electronic publishing via the Website or any other website owned and operated by Upwind. I acknowledge and agree that (1) I shall have no right to demand or receive from Upwind any royalties or other compensation in connection with the use of any Images, (2) the Images do not infringe the rights of any third party, and (3) by submitting my Images, I waive any right to make a claim or demand upon Upwind based on its use of any such Images.

Applicant:

Date:

Parent or Guardian:

Date:

APPLICATION CHECKLIST - PLEASE INCLUDE WITH YOUR APPLICATION

- Essay Question responses (4)
- Video Submission (emailed to scholarship@upwindscholarship.com or provide a link to your video)
- Short Answers
- Letters of Reference (2)
- Copy of recent academic transcript showing classes & grades for all years in high school
- Sign and date application (*Applicant, Parent or Guardian, Information Release*)

Please email, mail or drop-off your application along with any other materials by **Friday, February 19, 2021, 5:00pm**. **Any applications received after this time will not be accepted.**

Email to:

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