

**WINGS OVER HOUSTON® AIRSHOW
SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**



The Wings Over Houston Airshow (WOH) has established a scholarship program for college students who have completed their second year of study in aviation or a related field. The applicant's academic discipline does not have to be in a technical area but may include business, management, marketing or other fields that are directly related to aviation.

For the 2008-2009 academic year, the Wings Over Houston Airshow intends to award up to five scholarships of up to \$5,000 each. The selection will be made by the Wings Over Houston Scholarship Committee in July, 2008 and the winner notified by the end of August, 2008.

PURPOSE

The WOH scholarships are intended to assist and reward students who have demonstrated academic potential, leadership, and extracurricular involvement.

ELIGIBILITY

All students in good academic standing, and who plan to continue their education by entering the third year (junior year) of any college or university, are eligible for these scholarships. Applicants pursuing an academic degree directly associated with aviation, aeronautics, or aerospace will receive priority; the degree of association will be one of the selecting factors.

REQUIREMENTS

1. The applicant must have completed at least two academic years of full-time college work or sixty semester hours of credit at the time of applying for this scholarship.
2. The applicant must have a college grade point average of not less than 3.0 (a B average) on a 4.0 scale.
3. The applicant must be currently enrolled as a full time student in an accredited college, or university, and be planning to enroll for a minimum of 12 credit hours (full time) each semester during the year of the awarded scholarship.
4. The applicant's academic course work shall be such as to provide entry into some career field that is associated with aviation or aerospace.
5. Students who receive an award are eligible to reapply in succeeding years. It should be stressed that renewal is not automatic. To apply for a renewal, an individual must complete a new application.
6. Applicants must be either citizens or permanent residents of the United States.
7. The applicant's legal residence must be in Harris County, Texas or one of the contiguous counties surrounding Harris County. These counties are Galveston, Brazoria, Fort Bend, Waller, Montgomery, Liberty, and Chambers. A photocopy of a Texas Driver's License or other proof of residence must be included with the application.

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A. ADMINISTRATION OF THE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Administration of the Wings Over Houston Scholarship Program is a sub-committee function of the Wings Over Houston Airshow Executive Committee. The Scholarship Committee consists of at least three members, one of whom serves as the chairperson. He or she is also responsible for maintaining the selection schedule and for making sure that letters and checks are issued to applicants and involved colleges or universities.

The decisions of the Scholarship Committee are considered to be final and the winners for each year will be notified by the end of August. The awards will be publicly announced during the Media Day activities of the Wings Over Houston Airshow.

An application is included with this letter. Additional applications can be obtained by mail or email upon request or can be downloaded from the WOH website at www.wingsoverhouston.com.

B. SELECTION CRITERIA

The recipients of the scholarship awards will be selected using the following criteria, which are listed in order of importance.

1. **ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE:** This criterion will be evaluated on the basis of each applicant's grade point average or equivalent. A grade point average of at least 3.0 (B) is required.
2. **PERSONAL ASSESSMENT OF CAREER GOALS:** This criterion will be evaluated through a typewritten essay of approximately 1,000 words. The essay should describe the career objectives of the applicant and should outline the academic program required to achieve those career objectives. The essay should also state how the career objectives of the applicant are associated with aviation or aerospace.
3. **RECOMMENDATION:** Each applicant will be judged on personal and academic merit, based on the three required letters of recommendation (see section C. 4.).
4. **EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:** Each applicant's participation in college and community activities, organizational offices held, awards, and work experience will receive due consideration.
5. **FINANCIAL NEED:** Determination of financial need is primarily based on three factors:
 - a. gross income listed;
 - b. number of family members in the home; and
 - c. number of family members in college.
6. **PERSONAL INTERVIEW:** The Scholarship Committee may request a personal interview if the committee believes that more information or clarification of some items is required.

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C. APPLICATION PROCESS

Each applicant is required to provide the following information:

1. A completed application form.
2. A photocopy of the applicant's valid driver's license or other official I.D. showing legal place of residence* .
3. A current official college transcript. Photocopies are accepted* .
4. Three (3) typewritten letters of recommendation. Past WOH scholarship recipients applying for another scholarship must provide two (2) recommendation letters. Recommendations from relatives of applicants will not be accepted. The letters of recommendation may be attached to the application or sent under separate cover to the address provided below. Recommendation letters must be postmarked no later than June 30th.
5. A typewritten essay of approximately 1,000 words describing the career objectives of the applicant.

The application package, including application form, recommendation letters, transcripts, essay, etc., must be submitted by mail, postmarked no later than **June 30th, 2008**. Completed application packages should be mailed to

Wings Over Houston Airshow
Scholarship Committee
17222 Groeschke Road
Houston, Texas 77084

D. DISBURSEMENTS OF THE SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

Disbursement shall be made by means of a fund transfer or check from the Wing Over Houston scholarship account to the credit of the recipient at his or her educational institution. Formal award letters will be mailed to the selected recipients and to their educational institutions. Selected scholarship recipients and representatives from their respective educational institutions will be invited to receive the scholarship awards at the Media Day activities of the Wings Over Houston Airshow.

Questions regarding the Wings Over Houston Scholarship Program or requests for additional application forms should be sent by mail to the address above, or by email to the Wings Over Houston Airshow Scholarship Committee Chairman, Steven Sehnert, at ssehnert@bigfoot.com.

* Drivers License numbers, SSN, etc., may be blacked out, obscured or omitted if desired.

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Name of Applicant: _____

Home Address :
Street : _____

City, State, ZIP : _____

Note: you must be a resident of Harris, Montgomery, Fort Bend, Brazoria, Galveston, Liberty, Chambers or Waller county (Texas) to be eligible for this scholarship

Most reliable
SUMMER 2008 Street or P.O. Box : _____
contact address if
different from above City, State, ZIP : _____

Most reliable SUMMER
E-mail address: _____

College or University where
you are currently enrolled: _____

Other Colleges or Universities you have
previously attended (if applicable): _____

Current GPA (indicate if the Grade Point system used
by your school is something other than "A"=4.0): _____

Major: _____ Minor (if
applicable): _____

Month and Year you
started college: _____ Month and Year you
expect to graduate: _____

Have you previously been awarded a WOH Scholarship? Yes ___ No ___ If yes, what year(s)? _____

School Activities: Organizations, Clubs, Athletics. In right column indicate offices held, if any.

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|----------|---------------|
| 1) _____ | Office: _____ |
| 2) _____ | Office: _____ |
| 3) _____ | Office: _____ |
| 4) _____ | Office: _____ |

Honors and Awards (state year and type of honor or award)

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| 1) _____ | 2) _____ |
| 3) _____ | 4) _____ |
| 5) _____ | 6) _____ |

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Name of Applicant: _____

Work Activities:

Are you currently employed? Yes ___ No ___ If yes, indicate when you started, the type of work, and your average number of hours per week.

Other than the work listed above, have you worked during college, high school, or during the summers? Yes ___ No ___ If yes, briefly indicate the periods of employment, the type of work, and the average number of hours worked per week.

Financial Need Information:

Your gross income for last year: _____

Are you currently receiving any other scholarships or grants? Yes ___ No ___

If yes, list total dollar amount you expect to receive for the 2008-2009 academic year: _____

Do you have dependents for whom you have full financial responsibility? Yes ___ No ___
If yes, how many? _____

Are you listed as a dependent on anyone else's tax return (parents or guardians)? Yes ___ No ___
If yes, please list their gross income for last year: _____

How many members are there in your immediate family (parents, brothers, sisters, spouse, children): _____
How many members of your immediate family will be in college during the 2008-2009 academic year (including yourself)? _____

Essay:

Attach an essay (typed, double-spaced) of no more than 1,000 words about your career objectives, how your academic program is preparing for those objectives, and how your career objectives are associated with aviation or aerospace. Be sure to include your name on the essay!

Other Information:

If you wish, you may attach a separate letter with any other information which you would like the Scholarship Committee to consider while reviewing your application.

Signature of Applicant _____ Date: _____

Checklist of Required Information to be submitted:

- This application, fully completed
- Essay
- Three letters of recommendation (two for applications from previous WOH scholarship recipients). May be sent under separate cover or included with this application.
- Photocopy of your Texas Driver's License or other ID showing place of residence
- Photocopy of your most recent official transcript

Send to: Wings Over Houston Airshow
Scholarship Committee
17222 Groeschke Road
Houston, TX 77084

**All materials must be postmarked
no later than June 30, 2008**

AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE EDUCATIONAL RECORDS
Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 as Amended (FERPA)

I, _____, hereby voluntarily authorize officials in the
[Print Name of Student]
 University of Houston department(s) identified below to disclose personally identifiable information from my educational records. (Please check the box or boxes that apply):

- Registrar
- Financial Aid
- Dean of Student's Office
- Residential Life and Housing
- University Advancement
- University Studies Division
- Other (Please Specify) _____

Specifically, I authorize disclosure of the following information or category of information (Please check the box or boxes that apply):

- Grades/Transcripts
- Financial Aid
- Disciplinary
- Housing
- Scholarship and/or Honors
- Photos
- Academic Records
- All University Records
- Other (Please Specify) _____

This information may be released to _____
[Print Name(s) of Individual(s) To Whom University May Disclose Information]

_____ for the purpose of informing:
[List Additional Individuals if Necessary]

- Family
- Educational Institution
- Employer/Prospective Employer
- Public or Media of Scholarship, Honor or Award
- Other Please Specify _____

I understand the information may be released orally or in the form of copies of written records, as preferred by the requester. This authorization will remain in effect from the date it is executed until revoked by me, in writing, and delivered to Department(s) identified above.

 Student Name (Please Print)

 Student I.D Number

 Student Signature

 Date