

## **TIPS: WHEN APPLYING FOR FLYING SCHOLARSHIPS**

### **Search and save as many as scholarships available online that you believe you qualify for.**

- The ENE chapter will often post available scholarships so visit our website often.
- Make one list as you read the information needed to apply.
- Collect all of your information before filling in the application, such as:  
logbook time, endorsement signatures and dates, current driver's license, current 3<sup>rd</sup> class medical certificate or other, etc.

### **Thoroughly read the instructions on all applications.**

- Follow the instructions precisely.
- If there are questions that you cannot answer, you most likely do not qualify for that scholarship.

### **Turn your application in as early as possible.**

- If you are missing something you will most likely be notified.
- If you are not strong in certain areas, you may be notified.
- Let your flight instructor review it before you submit your application.
- Remember, it is your responsibility to make sure all requirements are met.

### **Read the bios of last year's recipients.**

- What were the judges looking for in candidates?
- Make yourself memorable when writing about yourself using only a few paragraphs.

### **Make your essay relevant.**

- Create one essay for all applications then customize it for each scholarship you are applying for.
- Write about your inspiration for learning how to fly, what are your current goals, what are your long-term goals? Is this personal or do you plan to make it a career?
- Why should the judges select you? There will be many applicants. How will this scholarship affect your life?

### **Are your recommendation letters current?**

- Do not use recommendations that are over two years old.
- Ask people to write recommendations. Most people that know you will.

### **Application Presentation:**

- Type (not hand written) your essay to make it clearly readable. Remember to add the date and your contact information on it.
- Spellcheck and proof-read your application. Ask another person to proof-read it also.

### **Make it easy for the judges.**

- Submit a well-organized application and make sure everything is in the order it was listed.
- Do not make the judges have to hunt for required information.
- If submitting electronically, follow the directions on how to submit the application.
- If the directions are not specific, bundle your application into one document instead of submitting multiple documents.