



Emerald Angels of the Gulf Coast Chapter Ninety-Nines® Flight Equipment-Supplies Scholarship

Purpose

The Emerald Angels of the Gulf Coast Chapter (EAGC) of the Ninety-Nines International Organization of Women Pilots, Inc. is offering a \$500 scholarship to female pilots to be used toward the purchase of aviation equipment and supplies necessary for aviation training (i.e. aviation headset, ground school, aviation books, written exam, etc.) Fuel purchases, aircraft rental, aircraft maintenance, hangar fees, etc. are excluded.

Eligibility

- The female applicant must be at least 17 years of age and reside within the following geographic area: Longitudes between W84' and W89' and Latitudes between N29' and N32'.
- Female student pilot applicants must have a minimum of ten hours of logged flight training with a qualified flight instructor or flight school.
- Previous recipients of this scholarship are not eligible to apply for a minimum of two years from the full disbursement deadline of a previous award.
- The applicant must be proficient in English.
- Applicants do not have to be a member of the Ninety-Nines® but will be offered an opportunity to become a member.

Application Process

- Please review the EAGC 99s website (eagc99s.org) for the application and detailed instructions. Kindly follow the guidelines provided, complete the application in its entirety, and submit your full application packet electronically to the designated email address and the current Chapter Chair.
- The scholarship application must be signed to certify that the information provided is true and complete.
- Applications may be submitted beginning on September 1st and must be received by 11:59 pm on October 31st of the same year.
- Applicants must be available for an in-person interview which may be conducted virtually via a video conferencing platforms if necessary.
- The scholarship recipient will be notified by December 20th of the same year the scholarship is awarded.
- A mentor will be assigned to support the recipient throughout the duration of the scholarship funding.

Disbursement of Funds

- Recipients must submit documentation proving how the funds were used before reimbursement is issued. Proper documentation includes invoices and receipts for related expenses.
- The scholarship recipient must utilize the awarded funds by December 31st of the year following the official notification. Scholarship funds not used by this deadline are forfeited.

Additional Requirements

- **Personal essay** Please provide a written essay of no more than 1000 words, addressing the following topics: personal interests, career aspirations, and goals within the aviation field. Include any special qualifications or experience that support your pursuit of these goals. Explain what initially inspired your interest in aviation and detail any related activities or employment experiences that are particularly meaningful to you.

Describe how receiving this scholarship will assist you in achieving your objectives. Additionally, share any challenges you have faced in starting or continuing your flying journey. Finally, address volunteer or leadership activities.

- **Two letters of recommendation** One letter of recommendation must be from someone knowledgeable about the applicant's aviation interests and accomplishments, such as applicant's flight instructor or mentor. Letters of recommendation should also include the length of time the author has known the applicant.
- **Budget Information** Provide a budget estimate of the anticipated expenses for the equipment or supplies. The list should also include any other expected sources of financial assistance designated for the purchase of equipment or supplies.
- **Documentation** The following documentation must be included. Omission of any of the required documents can result in a rejected application.
 1. Copy of your current medical certificate or driver's license appropriate for the certification or rating you are studying for.
 2. Copies of the most recent three pages of entries recorded in your logbook (with totals entered in all columns) to show your currency.
- **Report** The recipient will be requested to participate in an EAGC Chapter 99s meeting, either in person or virtually, to provide an update on her progress toward her goal. If unable to attend, she may submit a written report.

Selection and Financial Award

- A panel of judges will select the scholarship recipient.
- The award recipient will be notified by December 20th of the same year the award is granted.
- Payment will not be provided for purchases completed prior to the announcement of the award recipient, nor will payment be issued for any purchases completed after December 31st of the year following the official notification.
- Funds will be disbursed based on receipts of purchases which must be provided to the EAGC Chapter Treasurer.
- Payment will be made within 45 days of receipt submission and verification.

TERMS

If the recipient does not complete the purchase associated with her award by December 31st of the year following the award, the remaining balance of the scholarship will be forfeited.

"Neither the Emerald Angels of the Gulf Coast Chapter of The Ninety-Nines, Inc., the Southeast Section of The Ninety-Nines, Inc., Ninety-Nines Inc.® nor their members, agents, or representatives are responsible for the quality of any training received with this scholarship, nor for any accident, incident, or any other event which may occur while the recipient of this scholarship is performing flight training or activities relating thereto. Signature on this application constitutes a release and hold-harmless agreement in favor of The Ninety-Nines, Inc., its Sections, and Chapters upon receipt of the scholarship and for any flight taken as a result."

"I declare under penalty of perjury that the information I have provided is true and correct, and that I meet the eligibility requirements for this scholarship."

Signed _____ Date _____

Questions? Email: 99pilot@gmail.com or eagc99chair@gmail.com

OUR MISSION: The Ninety-Nines is the international organization of women pilots that promotes advancement of aviation through education, scholarships, and mutual support while honoring our unique history and sharing our passion for flight.