



ELIGIBLE SCHOOL YEAR

- 2026-2027 School Year (July 2026-December 2027)

APPLICATIONS OPEN

- October 6, 2025

APPLICATIONS CLOSE

- January 31, 2026 at 11:59:00 PM ET

ELIGIBILITY

- Must be 16 years old as of January 31, 2026.
- Must provide evidence of being a PA resident as of January 31, 2026.
- Applicant must be one of the following:
 - a. Current high school students (as of January 31, 2026) who are graduating before September 1, 2026.
 - b. Postsecondary students who have not yet earned a bachelor's degree, who are enrolled in accredited postsecondary institutions in an aviation-related program.
- Funding must be fully expended no later than December 31, 2027.

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNTS AND USES

- Scholarship amounts will vary, with an anticipated maximum amount of \$4,000 (subject to change).
- Scholarships must be used to advance the applicant's aviation or aerospace career intentions. Scholarships are permitted to be utilized only for:
 - Accredited postsecondary aviation-related programs leading to a certificate or degree (e.g., pilot, drone pilot, aviation maintenance technician, avionics technician).
 - Flight training at a Pennsylvania FAA-approved part 61 or 141 flight training program that is not part of a collegiate degree or certificate program.

SELECTION CRITERIA

- All required components of the application must be submitted by the closing date of the application. Incomplete applications will not be considered.
- Competitive holistic selection process based on applicant strength based on submitted application and supporting documents.
- Academic achievement, extracurricular/work/volunteer experiences, and a demonstrated interest in giving back to the aviation community, as expressed in the essay, are among the key criteria on which applications will be evaluated.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION TIMELINE

- Applications Open: October 6, 2025
- Applications Close: January 31, 2026, at 11:59:00 PM ET
- Application Website: aerium.org/apply (opens on October 6, 2025)
- Applications will be reviewed in February and March 2026. Final decisions are expected in April 2026.

QUESTIONS? SUPPORT?

- Contact us at info@aerium.org.