DESCRIPTION OF THE FLY NOW AWARD

The FLY NOW Award is a progressive award given to Student Pilot Members with a need for financial assistance to become licensed pilots. The award provides up to $6000 toward completion of the Recreational Pilot, Sport Pilot, Private Pilot certificate, or non-U.S. equivalent in any aircraft category. This award will be given progressively to winners AFTER they complete eligible milestones in their training.

Applicant must be an official Student Pilot Member of The 99s at least three months prior to the submission deadline. Must have a current medical certificate if it is required for the pilot certificate sought. Applicant must have logged a minimum of five hours of flight training in the six months immediately preceding the applicant’s deadline to chapter. Applicant need NOT have soloed nor passed the knowledge test.

Each applicant who belongs to a Chapter must request a recommendation from her Chapter Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarship Chairman. Each applicant in a Section without Chapters needs to request a recommendation from her Section Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarship Chairman. In addition, each applicant must have a Mentor, a 99 who will support her through the training process.

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APPLICANT INSTRUCTIONS

Before you decide to apply:

Make sure you are eligible for the award.

▪ You must be a Student Pilot Member of the Ninety-Nines, International Organization of Women Pilots three months before the application deadline of April 1 for Spring applications or October 1 for Fall applications. That means you must have submitted all required documents along with initial membership dues to HQs and received confirmation that your membership application was approved and processed before the deadline. Apply for membership early to avoid disappointment!

▪ If your Section has chapters, you must be a member of a chapter.

▪ This must be your initial (first ever) pilot certificate or license of any type, such as the Recreational Pilot certificate, Sport Pilot certificate, Private Pilot certificate, or non-U.S. equivalent. The certificate sought may be in any aircraft category, such as airplane, rotorcraft, glider, lighter-than-air, etc.

▪ You must have a student pilot certificate or, alternatively, show evidence that you meet the applicable student pilot certification requirements of the governing aviation authority where training is being received.

▪ You must have a current, valid medical certificate if required for the pilot certificate being sought.

▪ You must have logged a minimum of five hours of flight training in the six months immediately preceding the application deadline.

▪ You must demonstrate a need for financial assistance.

Have a plan to fund your training. Payments are made only AFTER you have achieved a milestone, so you need to be able to pay for the training as you go. Although financial need is a requirement, the award will not cover all expenses. You must have a plan in place to handle the remainder of your expenses in order to complete your certification in the allowed time; this plan is essential to a good application. Also, understand that milestones are only eligible if it is the first time you achieve them and if they are required for the certificate you seek. There is no award for retaking a knowledge test that has expired, or for performing a solo again after a lapse in training or change in flight schools.

Get involved with your chapter well before the award application deadline, so they can get to know you and help you find a suitable mentor. The mentor must be a current 99 and be someone with whom you will be comfortable sharing your ups and downs of training, and will be available to communicate with you and the AEMSF trustees throughout the award period.

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Ready to apply?

Tell your AE Scholarship Chairman that you plan to apply and verify the current email address to send her your application. Also, you must ask her to write a recommendation if the chapter approves your application. If you haven’t found a mentor, ask her to help you find one. **Your AE Scholarship Chairman** is the following 99s Officer:

- For Chapter Member applicant: Chapter AE Scholarship Chairman or, if none, Chapter Chairman.
- For Section Member applicant (in Sections without Chapters): Section AE Scholarship Chairman or, if none, Section Governor.
- For Member-at-Large applicant: International President.

**NOTE:** No other 99s Officer may perform these duties or provide certification or recommendation for applicants. Do not submit your application directly to the AE Trustees or to Headquarters.

Download and read the full instructions and application. If you have questions, contact your AE Scholarship Chairman. Don’t wait until the application deadline to ask for information, clarification or help! Application may be downloaded from the 99s website. It must be submitted electronically as a PDF and be neat and legible in English. **No other formats are accepted.** It may be completed by computer, typewriter, or by hand. Signatures must be in ink or be verified electronic signatures. It is acceptable to scan ink signed certification pages to submit electronically, but be prepared to mail the original if requested by the AEMSF Trustees.

Gather all the required documents. You will need to submit copies of all the items listed below. Scan them into a single package prior to submitting to your Chapter or Section.

- Student pilot certificate
- Driver’s license or other form of government-issued photo ID
- Medical certificate, if required by the type of certificate you seek
- Logbook, most recent two pages (left and right side = one page)
- Knowledge Test results, if completed. However, completion is not required prior to application.
- For non-USA applicants, Governmental aviation regulations specifying requirements for the certificate.
- Reference letter which describes your character and experience outside of aviation, written by someone other than a family member or 99, and preferably by someone who knows you professionally
- Signed Mentor Agreement (Verify that your mentor is a current 99 in the online directory.)

Complete the application. Fill out the Personal Information sheet. Be complete and honest. Type, insert or attach all the required documents listed above. Sign the Applicant Certification page and date it before the applicant deadline passes. Leave the 99s Recommendation and 99s Certification pages blank except for your name. Your AE Scholarship Chairman will complete those pages if your application is approved.

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APPLICANT INSTRUCTIONS (Continued)

After you have completed the application:

Retain a copy of your complete application. You are responsible for ensuring that the application package is complete in every respect.

AE Scholarship Chairman must receive your application by the deadline or it will be considered a late submission. Applicant, mentor or personal reference signatures dated later than the deadline indicate a late submission, and will disqualify the application. Applicant is responsible for following instructions and meeting all deadlines. DO NOT send your application directly to the AEMSF Trustees or to 99s HQs.

After you submit your application:

Follow up with your AE Scholarship Chairman to verify receipt.

Winners will be notified by May 15 for Spring awards or November 15 for Fall awards and must complete training within eighteen months of the application deadline (by October 1 of the following year for Spring awards or April 1 of the second year for Fall awards). Winners will be given further instructions on submitting required documents and payment requests for their eligible milestones.

NOTE: No Applicant Eligibility Requirements or deadlines may be waived. Disqualification will result from not meeting eligibility requirements or following procedures. INCOMPLETE, LATE, or FRAUDULENT applications will be DISQUALIFIED.

AWARD SCHEDULE

Milestones completed after submission deadline (April 1 for Spring awards or October 1 for Fall awards) and before the eighteen-month award period elapses will be paid AFTER each winning candidate passes a NEW milestone. (Milestones do not need to be completed in the order listed below.)

Milestone 1: Passing the FAA or equivalent written knowledge exam: $500
Milestone 2: First solo: $2500
Milestone 3: Long solo cross-country flight: $2000
Milestone 4: Receiving FAA or equivalent flight certificate: $1000

Funds will only be disbursed AFTER achieving a milestone for the first time. No exceptions!

INSTRUCTIONS FOR ALL AE SCHOLARSHIP CHAIRMEN

1. The AE Scholarship Chairman is designated as only one of the following 99s Officers:
   - For Chapter Member applicant: Chapter AE Scholarship Chairman or, if none, Chapter Chairman.
   - For applicants in Sections WITHOUT Chapters only: Section AE Scholarship Chairman or, if none, Section Governor.
   - For Member-at-Large applicants only: International President.

   NOTE: No other 99s Officer may perform these duties or provide certification or recommendation for applicant.

2. Inform potential members that they must be a Student Pilot Member of The Ninety-Nines three months prior to the submission deadline and have logged five hours in the six months prior to the chapter submission deadline to be eligible to apply.
3. Notify your Chapter (or Section) members that the application submission deadline to you is April 1 for Spring awards or October 1 for Fall awards. This is the date when you must have received the application. You must disqualify late submissions.

4. Applicant must submit signed Mentor Agreement in her initial submission. Upon applicant request, provide assistance identifying an appropriate mentor. Verify that the mentor is a current 99 in the online directory.

5. Applicant should download or print the application from the 99s website. Application shall be submitted with verified electronic signatures OR scanned ink signatures. AE Scholarship Chairman must then submit application to the Trustees electronically regardless of how the original application was sent to the Chairman.

   NOTE: The 99s Recommendation (VII) and 99s Certification (VIII) will be blank (except for applicant’s name) upon first submission by applicant to the Chapter or Section of which she is a member, and, if recommended, MUST be completed by the AE Scholarship Chairman.

6. For each application received, notify the applicant that you have received her application.

7. Determine whether to recommend applicant.

   The AE Scholarship Chairman is responsible for establishing procedures to ensure that all applications from her Chapter/Section members are reviewed and screened, and that the best-qualified applicants are selected and recommended. By providing your official recommendation, you are saying that the applicant is qualified and deserving of the FLY NOW award AND that she meets all eligibility requirements.

   • Review each application carefully for completeness and accuracy, working with applicant as necessary to correct any errors or omissions. Late signature dates are disqualifying.
   • The AE Scholarship Chairman may form a committee of two or three Ninety-Nines to aid in the application review and recommendation process.

There are no quotas for the FLY NOW award. Our goal is to reach out to new pilots and help them complete their flight training program. Rules will be re-evaluated for future awards when necessary.

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR ALL AE SCHOLARSHIP CHAIRMEN (Continued)

8. For EACH application recommended:
   • Write 99s Recommendation and complete and sign 99s Certification. Signatures must be in ink or be verified electronic signatures. It is acceptable to scan ink signed certification pages to submit electronically, but be prepared to mail the original if requested by the AEMSF Trustees.
   • Retain a copy of entire application for your records.

9. Notify non-recommended applicants of the status of their applications and provide reason(s).

10. Send the recommended applications to the designated AEMSF Trustee named below, reaching her by April 15 for Spring awards or October 15 for Fall awards.
    NOTE: Chapter applications for this award are NOT sent to Section Scholarship Chairmen.

11. Winners will be notified by May 15 for Spring awards or November 15 for Fall awards.

Designated AEMSF Trustee to receive applications and updates for Fall 2020:

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   Email: flynow@ninety-nines.org
   Cell Phone: (775) 225-4951