

Western North Carolina Pilots Association

Educational Foundation

P.O. Box 1165
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HOW TO APPLY FOR A GRANT IN 2021

If you are interested in applying for an aviation grant from the Western North Carolina Pilots Association Educational Foundation (WNCPAEF), please consider the following information.

Who is Eligible: You must live in Western North Carolina, be at least 17 years of age, and have a keen, if not proven, interest in aviation.

Programs and Requirements: The WNCPAEF is offering grants in three programs described below. These programs encompass a wide range of aviation opportunities and allow for a varying degree of aviation experience from applicants.

Program A: Pilot Certificate or Rating: You must show a serious pursuit of a pilot certificate or rating (e.g., recreational to airline transport certificate, instrument rating, etc.). If you are seeking your first certificate, you should have soloed or passed a written test toward that certification or rating.

Program B: Pilot Familiarization: For individuals who have little or no experience in aviation. Recipients of a Program B grant are required to pay for the first \$500 of flight time themselves and the WNCPAEF will provide a grant for the next \$500 of flight time.

Program C: Aviation Mechanic or Avionics Repairman Certificate: You must show progress towards satisfying the requirements of the certificate you seek.

To Apply: Submit a letter of application and two letters of reference (none from a family member) to the WNCPAEF Grant Coordinator. Additionally, for Program A, one reference must be from a certified flight instructor (CFI) familiar with your aviation interest and achievements. Your application letter should be a maximum of two pages, typed (not handwritten), and should include the following information in this order:

- Date of Application
- The program you are applying for (Program A, B, or C)
- Name, postal address, contact phone number, and email address
- Education and occupation
- Aviation accomplishments (for Programs A and C)
- Your aviation objectives
- A plan for completing those objectives
- Degree of commitment to aviation in Western North Carolina
- Community involvement
- A brief explanation as to why financial assistance is needed
- Any other information that might be of interest to the Selection Committee

Mail or, preferably, Email your application materials to:

Greg Larson – Grant Coordinator
WNCPAEF Grant Applications
PO Box 1106
Maggie Valley, NC 28751
Email: glarson2497C@gmail.com Cell: 828-476-6064

Applications must be **received** on or before Thursday, **April 1, 2021.**

Emailed applications should be in PDF format as a single document.

You will receive an email confirmation from upon receipt of your application materials. You may be contacted for an interview.

For the most current information on how to apply for a grant, go to:

www.flywncpa.org – Education Foundation tab – How to Apply for a Grant

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