

Spartan School of Aeronautics Aviation Explorer Scholarship

Spartan School of Aeronautics offers four annual scholarships to encourage aviation Explorers to enter and complete an aviation curriculum that will lead to an exciting, well-paying career in aviation as a professional pilot, aviation maintenance technician, avionics technician, or instrument technician.

Scholarship

Each Explorer scholarship of \$2,000 will be presented as follows:

1. Students may be enrolled in any of these Spartan School of Aeronautics programs: professional pilot, aviation maintenance technician, avionics technician, or aviation instrument technician.
2. Each \$2,000 scholarship will be divided by the number of terms in the recipient's program of enrollment. The resultant dollar amount will be applied against the term tuition as the term is completed.

Qualifications

1. Must be an aviation Explorer.
2. Must have a parent or guardian's approval if younger than 18.
3. Must provide at least three letters of recommendation with the application. The letters of recommendation may be from the post Advisor, an aviation professional, an employer, an educator, or a community leader.
4. Must submit a short essay that details your plans for an aviation career.

Selection

Selection of the recipient will be made within 60 days of the deadline for submission of the scholarship application (March 31). The recipient will be notified immediately upon selection.

About Spartan School of Aeronautics

Spartan School of Aeronautics is one of the oldest aviation schools in the United States. It was founded September 27, 1928, by W. G. Skelly, President of Skelly Oil Company. He established Spartan Aircraft Company and formed the corporation that built Tulsa Municipal Airport (now called Tulsa International Airport). Since 1928, this airport has been the home of Spartan. Mr. Skelly was convinced that air transportation would come of age and bring with it a need for skilled aircraft technicians and pilots; therefore, Spartan offered both mechanic and flight courses and quickly became a leader in aviation education.

Spartan's fame spread quickly, first nationally and then internationally. Students came from many states and foreign countries.

During World War II and the Korean War, Spartan trained thousands of pilots and mechanics for the armed forces while continuing to expand in the civil aviation field. Much of the credit for this period of expansion goes to J. Paul Getty, who acquired Spartan from Skelly in 1942.

The ownership of Spartan was maintained by Getty until 1968, when it was purchased by Automation Industries, Inc. Spartan built and occupied its south campus on Pine Street in 1969. In 1971, Spartan became a subsidiary of National Education Corporation. National Education Corporation became a subsidiary of Harcourt General Corporation in 1997. In July 2001, Spartan was purchased by Spartan Aviation Industries, Inc.

Spartan has graduated more than 80,000 technicians and pilots. Through the performance of its graduates, it has had a significant influence on world aviation.

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Deadline

The [application](#) must be submitted by **March 31** to

Aviation Explorer Scholarship
Learning for Life National Office, S210
1325 West Walnut Hill Lane
P.O. Box 152079
Irving, TX 75015-2079

Local Learning for Life Office Contact

Go to www.aviationexploring.org and click on the side bar button titled Local Office. Enter your location (city and state).

Application

Spartan School of Aeronautics Aviation Explorer Scholarship Program

(Please include area code with each telephone number.)

Personal Information

Name _____ Date of birth _____ Age _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip code _____

Telephone (include area code) _____

Name of parent(s) or guardian (s) _____

Signature of parent(s) or guardian (s) _____

Advisor Information

Date of application submission _____

Post no. _____ Post Aviation specialty _____

Advisor's name _____ Home telephone _____

Work telephone _____ E-mail address _____

Advisor's street address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip code _____

Advisor's recommendation signature _____

Local Learning for Life Office Information

Learning for Life representative's signature _____

Name _____ Date _____

Title _____ Telephone no. _____

Learning for Life office headquarters city _____

Send by March 31 to: Aviation Explorer Scholarship

Learning for Life National Office, S210

P.O. Box 152079

Irving, TX 75015-2079

**Submit a black-and-white glossy photo (such as a passport photo)
for publicity purposes in the event of selection.**

Nominee's Personal Record

1. Present aviation career plans are:
2. What aviation experience and ratings do you currently have?
3. Why do you want to attend Spartan School of Aeronautics, and what do you want to accomplish?
4. List the school and community organizations in which you have been or currently are active. (Indicate with an asterisk (*) those in which you are now active.)
5. List leadership positions you have held in your Explorer post, clubs, or other organizations. (Indicate with an asterisk (*) those positions you hold now.)
6. List important achievements, award, or recognitions you have received; the organizations that presented them; and the year received.

DON'T FORGET TO INCLUDE YOUR ESSAY AND LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION.