



Piper Freedom of Flight Award 2023 Scholarship Guidelines

Piper Aircraft, Inc. announces the 2023 **Piper Freedom of Flight Award Program**. Under the Program, one (1) \$1,000 scholarship, which is renewable for **up to four (4) years**, will be awarded to a graduating senior attending a local high school. Children of Piper employees are strongly encouraged to apply.

Program Guidelines & Priorities:

- Seeking graduating seniors with a record of volunteerism in the community in non-school sponsored activities and participation in extracurricular school activities.
- Applicant must have at least one parent employed within Indian River County.
- Applicants must have a minimum GPA of 3.0, and must maintain at least a GPA of 2.5 while in school following high school graduation in order to continue to receive the annual scholarship disbursements.
- Must have a total family annual income under \$80,000.
- Must be accepted to attend a two or four-year College or Technical School.
- Applicants will submit an essay (300-600 words) covering the following topic: *Aside from your college degree, what else do you hope to gain from your college experience?*
- Scholarship funds will be paid directly to the school that the student will be attending. Payment will be made by September 2023 for the **first semester of the student's first year**. It will be the student's responsibility to submit to Piper Aircraft an invoice for the first semester's tuition and fees, and include their student ID number, college information and where to mail the scholarship payment.
- For the remaining three years of the scholarship, funds will be paid directly to the school that the student is attending and will be made in the fall semester. It will be the student's responsibility to submit to Piper Aircraft their college transcript reflecting the grades earned and current GPA, as well as an invoice for fall semester's tuition and fees, and include their student ID number, college information and where to mail the scholarship payment.
- Applicants must have the endorsement of their Guidance Counselor on their application attesting they are a qualified fit for this scholarship program. **Piper Aircraft strongly suggests that each high school present this opportunity to the strongest applicants that match this program's guidelines.** Application deadline is **March 31, 2023 by 4:00 p.m.** Late applications will not be accepted.

Mail one copy of a completed application package to:
(Must include application with signoff by Guidance Department, essay,
Resume, and school transcript.)

Piper Aircraft, Inc.
c/ o Community Outreach Committee
2926 Piper Drive
Vero Beach, FL 32960

The applications will be reviewed and the recipient will be selected by the Piper Community Outreach Committee. The scholarships will be awarded in April 2023.

Please submit any questions to community.outreach@piper.com



**PIPER "FREEDOM OF FLIGHT"
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION 2023**

Please type or neatly write your answers.	
1.	Last Name: _____ First Name: _____
2.	Mailing Address Street: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
3.	Daytime Telephone Number: () Email Address: _____
4.	Date of Birth: Month Day Year Gender: _____
5.	Cumulative (unweighted) Grade Point Average (GPA): _____ (On a 4.0 scale) Attach proof of GPA. Your most recent school transcript is required.
6.	Are you the first person in your family to go to college: YES ___ NO ___
7.	Name and location of local High School you are attending:
8.	(If your resume or activities sheet answers question 8, please attach the sheet and skip to question 9.) A. List any academic honors, awards and membership activities while in high school: B. List your hobbies, outside interests, extracurricular activities and school related volunteer activities: C. List your non-school sponsored volunteer activities in the community:
9.	A. If you have decided on what college you will attend, please list school name: B. If not, list your top 3 college choices: C. Anticipated degree / major:
10.	Parent's Current Employer (Father): Location: Parent's Current Employer (Mother): Location: Total Annual Family Income:



11.	Is your <u>parent or legal guardian</u> an employee of Piper Aircraft? Yes _____ No _____		
If your answer is 'yes' please answer blocks 12A, B, and C below. If your answer is 'no' go to question 13.			
12.	A.	His/her full name:	
	B.	Name of Piper supervisor:	C. Department Name:
13.	Name & address of your parent(s) or legal guardian(s): (Include address if different than your own listed in Question 2.)		
	Name(s) :		
	Street:		
	City:	State:	Zip: Cell phone:
	Home phone of parents or legal guardians:		Work phone:

14. On a separate sheet, please write an essay (300 - 600 words) answering the prompt below:

Aside from your college degree, what else do you hope to gain from your college experience?

STATEMENT OF ACCURACY FOR STUDENTS

I hereby affirm that all the above stated information provided by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I also consent that if chosen as a scholarship winner my picture may be taken and used to promote Piper Aircraft's scholarship program (Winner may waive photo due to unusual or compelling circumstances).

I hereby understand that if chosen as a scholarship winner, according to the Piper Aircraft Scholarship Guidelines, it is my responsibility to submit to Piper Aircraft the appropriate information for my scholarship to be paid directly to my educational institution for my first semester in September 2023 and each September following for a total of up to 4 years.

I hereby understand I will not submit this application without all required attachments and supporting information. Incomplete or late applications or applications that do not meet eligibility criteria will not be considered for this scholarship.

Signature of scholarship applicant: _____ **Date:** _____

STATEMENT OF SUPPORT BY GUIDANCE COUNSELOR

I hereby affirm that this application meets the criteria set forth by this scholarship program and that I support submitting this application to Piper Aircraft, Inc.

Name of Guidance Counselor submitting the application: _____

High School: _____

Contact information (email and phone): _____

Signature of Guidance Counselor: _____ **Date:** _____



Checklist

- Application
- Essay
- Resume/Activity Sheet
- Guidance Counselor signature
- School Transcript

MAIL COMPLETE APPLICATION PACKAGE TO:

Piper Aircraft, Inc.
C/o Community Outreach Committee
2926 Piper Drive
Vero Beach, FL 32960

REMINDER:

The deadline for this application to be received by Piper Aircraft is:

MARCH 31, 2023, by 4:00 p.m. NO EXCEPTIONS!