

2021 Flight Club 502 Flight Training \$100 / \$500 Partial Scholarship Program

APPLICATION DEADLINES

Ongoing: Beginning May 2021

Applicant Eligibility Requirements: See the Program Description and FAQ

1. Must be current member in good standing with Flight Club 502 at both the time of application and when the scholarship is awarded. (see www.flightclub502.org for membership details)
2. U.S. citizen or U.S. permanent resident.
3. \$100 Junior Scholarships: Members aged 13 – 15 ½. Renewable up to \$300 provided funds are available.
4. \$500 Senior Scholarships: Members aged 15 ½ - 21. Renewable up to \$3000 provided funds are available.
5. Junior Scholarships require 2 hours of volunteer work (in addition to the annual club member requirement of 12 hours annually) including, but not limited to, the following: Aircraft Aesthetics, Building and Grounds Maintenance, etc. All volunteer hours must be completed prior to the awarding of a renewed scholarship.
6. Senior Scholarships require 9 hours of FC502 volunteer work (in addition to the annual club member requirement of 12 hours annually) including, but not limited to, the following: Teaching Junior Flight Club and Intro to Aviation Classes, Aircraft Aesthetics, Building and Grounds Maintenance, Committee Work, Community Group Presentations to school groups and/or the FC502 Executive Board, etc. All volunteer hours must be completed prior to the awarding of a renewed scholarship.
7. Provide (attach) at least one letter of recommendation from a Teacher, Scout Leader, Clergy Person, or someone that can establish knowing you, your work ethic and character.
8. Provide (attach) a copy of your most recent Semester Grade Report transcript signed by your Principal, Asst. Principal or Counselor or a printout from the JCPS parent portal signed by a parent or guardian. Homeschooled members are not exempt from the transcript/grade report requirement and may be asked to present their portfolio for review.
9. Sr. Scholarship applicants must provide a summary detailing previous work experience with employer contact information. Also, include any community, church, or volunteer experience (other than Flight Club 502.) The Summary must be signed by a parent or guardian.
10. Must have an FAA Flight Medical and FAA Student Pilot Certificate within 30 days of your first Scholarship renewal. (FC502 CFI will help.)
11. Scholarship recipients must be able to begin their flight training within 60 days of receiving the award and 12 days from award renewal. Failure to do so may result in the scholarship being rescinded.
12. Applicants and a parent or guardian must schedule a brief, 15-minute, interview with the Flight Club 502 Scholarship Committee. The Interview MUST include at least one parent or guardian.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

WILL THIS SCHOLARSHIP PAY FOR MY PRIVATE PILOT LICENSE? No. This program is a partial scholarship intended to initiate flight training or extend flight training. This program is not a full scholarship with the intent to fund a club member all the way through to a PPL. Flight Club 502 is not a flight school. We are a youth development nonprofit with the mission of developing aspirational leaders, thinkers, and doers. Aviation is used to enhance our mission. Some of our members do, indeed, intend to make aviation a career option. There are many Flight Club Adult Advisory counselors that are professional pilots. Some members love aviation and see flying airplanes as a worthy accomplishment that enriches their lives and are dedicated to earning their PPL. Some members do not care to fly and joined Flight Club 502 for the leadership development opportunities. All these goals are admirable and respectable! Regardless, Flight Club 502 is a youth development program for hard working, aspirational young people.

WHAT CAN I USE THE FLIGHT CLUB 502 PARTIAL SCHOLARSHIP MONEY FOR? The Scholarship award is intended for use renting the Club's airplanes. Recipients must pay their CFI out of their own funds.

WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE JR AND SR SCHOLARSHIPS? Jr. Scholarships are directed toward younger members of Flight Club 502 and are worth \$100 or 1.47 hours of c150 time at current rates and the Sr. Scholarships are \$500 or 7.35 hours of c150 time at current rates. The scholarships have different volunteer work requirements.

WHAT IS MEANT BY THE 2 HOUR AND 9 HOUR VOLUNTEER REQUIREMENTS? Flight Club 502 believes that we earn what we get and that is an overriding theme for all our programs. All Flight Club 502 members have an annual requirement to work at least 12 hours per membership year. This volunteer time helps run the club and

members that earn scholarships are required to work additional volunteer hours relative to their award. All volunteer hours must be complete to be eligible for scholarship renewal. See the Club website for volunteer opportunities.

WHAT CAN I DO TO FULFILL MY VOLUNTEER TIME OBLIGATION? There are tons of things to do around Flight Club from mowing the grass and sweeping out the hangar to researching or designing solutions for solving current needs. We staff the building with greeters and tour guides. We clean the bathrooms and empty the trash. Summer Camp classes are designed, taught, and reviewed. Intro to FlightClub courses must be presented. There is always something constructive to be done at Flight Club 502 that will contribute to the Club mission of developing future leaders, thinkers, and doers. If you have an idea for a volunteer project, you may present it to the volunteer committee and get it approved. We create success!

HOW DO I LOG OR DOCUMENT MY VOLUNTEER TIME? Volunteer time is logged via the Sign-Up-Genius/Wild Apricot applications. First you sign up via the Sign-Up-Genius for a volunteer time slot via the Club's Website. Your arrival and participation are confirmed by a Volunteer Host and applied to your total volunteer time via the Wild Apricot management software. Flight Club 502 Volunteer Hosts are responsible for documenting your time and a Volunteer Coordinator will be who you communicate with regarding any questions you might have about your volunteer time.

HOW MUCH DOES IT COST TO RENT A FLIGHT CLUB 502 AIRPLANE? The rates as of May 2021: C150s are \$68 per hour and the c172 is \$99 per hour.

WHAT SHOULD MY REFERENCE LETTER BE ABOUT?

Your reference letter should explain how the writer knows you and what their relationship is to you. They also should describe ways you exhibit, and provide examples of, responsibility, leadership traits, good decision-making skills, and your determination. Honestly, your interest in aviation is a given and is secondary to the selection committee.

CAN MY HIGH SCHOOL TEACHER, GUIDANCE COUNSELOR OR PRINCIPAL RECOMMEND ME FOR A FC502 PARTIAL SCHOLARSHIP? Yes, a recommendation from a High School staff member is acceptable provided the individual has genuine knowledge of the applicant's character, work ethic, academic aptitude, and persistence.

IT'S SUMMER AND MY TEACHER IS ON SUMMER VACATION, WHAT DO I DO? Schools are staffed pretty much all summer by Principals, Asst. Principals and Counselors. You should reach out to one of these staff members to see if they can contact one of your favorite teachers. They will be happy to help.

ARE THE PARTIAL SCHOLARSHIPS RENEWABLE?

Yes. The Jr. Scholarship is renewable up to \$300 and the Sr. Scholarship is renewable up to \$3000 provided funds are available. The volunteer work requirements are in place for EACH renewed award.

CAN MY PARTIAL SCHOLARSHIP BE TAKEN AWAY?

Flight Club 502 reserves the right to terminate a scholarship for any reason.

CAN I USE MY PARTIAL SCHOLARSHIP MONEY TO PAY MY CFI?

No. All scholarship monies are to be applied toward aircraft use. Each scholarship recipient is responsible for paying their CFI for ground and flight instruction.

WHAT IS MEANT BY A MONTHLY PROGRESS / FLIGHT ACTIVITY REPORT, SIGNED BY MY CFI? You are required to turn into the scholarship office your monthly progress /flight activity report. Number of ground school hours, number of dual flight hours, number of solo flight hours. This report must be signed by both the scholarship recipient and CFI.

WHAT IS MEANT BY APPLICANTS MUST BE ENGAGED, EXCITED, AND MOTIVATED? Aviation is a metaphorical ocean. The amount of information an aviator is expected to absorb can seem overwhelming from time to time. It is best to swim with gusto...Aviation is inherently unforgiving, and we manage this risk by being knowledgeable, disciplined, self-aware and precise. It is the enthusiasm to develop these characteristics that distinguish FlightClub502 members.

I AM HOMESCHOOLED. WHO CAN SERVE AS A REFERENCE IN PLACE OF MY PARENT WHO SERVES IN THE ROLE OF MY TEACHER?

References from relatives will **disqualify** your application. References should be written by an adult who has interacted with you as your supervisor or leader. Teachers, coaches, Civil Air Patrol leaders, flight instructors, after school program supervisors, church leaders, and work supervisors are examples of people who can be used as references.

I DON'T HAVE A FAA MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OR A STUDENT PILOT CERTIFICATE, CAN I STILL APPLY? A FAA flight medical and student pilot certificate is **not** required to be awarded an initial Sr. Flight Club 502 Partial Scholarship. However, upon renewal you will be expected to obtain both your FAA Medical Certificate and your Student Pilot Certificate. If you do not have either of these, you should contact a FlightClub CFI staff member for assistance. Flight medicals or student pilot certificates are not required for Jr. Flight Club 502 Partial Scholarships.

I CAN'T BEGIN MY FLIGHT TRAINING WITHIN 60 DAYS OF BEING AWARDED A FC502 PARTIAL SCHOLARSHIP, WHAT SHOULD I DO? Beginning flight training within 60 days of award is required. Should extenuating circumstances arise you must petition the Scholarship Committee for special consideration.

I AM IN THE FIRST SEMESTER OF 9TH GRADE, WHAT SHOULD I DO FOR MY MOST RECENT SEMESTER GRADE REPORT?

If you are a 9th grade student, then middle school grades can be used.

WHERE DO I DELIVER MY APPLICATION?

Be advised, handwriting counts. If your application cannot be read by the selection committee you likely will not be awarded a scholarship. You can hand deliver your application to the Flight Ops room, Attn: Bruce Allen or snail mail to Flight Club 502 / Attention Bruce Allen, 2911 Taylorsville Rd., Louisville, KY 40205 or you can email your application.

WHO DO I EMAIL MY APPLICATION TO?

Email your application to bruce.allen@flightclub502.org

ARE THERE EXCEPTIONS FOR INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS OR RECOMMENDATIONS?

Incomplete applications or recommendations will not be accepted. No exceptions can be made for applications submitted without all required documentation.

WHAT IF A QUESTION ON THE APPLICATION DOESN'T APPLY TO ME?

Fill out the application completely. If a question does not apply to you then simply put N/A in the space provided.

I DIDN'T WIN A SCHOLARSHIP THE LAST TIME I APPLIED. SHOULD I APPLY AGAIN?

Of course! We know there are many outstanding young people who would really benefit from a partial flight training scholarship. If you are still interested and eligible you must submit a new application and recommendation to ensure we are reviewing the most current information.

IF I WIN A SCHOLARSHIP, HOW DO I GET THE MONEY? DOES IT COME TO ME DIRECTLY OR DOES IT GO INTO MY FLIGHT CLUB 502 ACCOUNT?

Awarded scholarship funds will be directly deposited into your Flight Club 502 account.

DO I CHOOSE MY FLIGHT INSTRUCTOR OR IS ONE ASSIGNED TO ME? Flight Club 502 Leadership has traditionally matched members with their instructors. Should you have the desire to interview instructors please contact Ms. Laura Benson Jones or Mr. Jim Yonts.