

The “Fly Now” Amelia Earhart Scholarship Top 10 Tips for Female Student Pilots

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#10. Become a Member of the Ninety-Nines if You are Not Already

To qualify for the Fly Now Scholarship, you must be officially registered as a Member of the Ninety-Nines, Inc., at least 30 days before the scholarship deadline, and if you are in a Section with Chapters, you must be a Chapter Member.

#9. Share Your Intention to Apply

Let your Chapter AE Scholarship Chair know that you intend to apply for the Fly Now Scholarship. If your Chapter does not have an AE Scholarship Chair, speak with your Chapter Chair. Share your interests, goals and talents as she will need to answer questions about you in Section VI.

#8. Seek a Ninety-Nine Member as a Mentor

If you have a potential mentor in mind, ask her if she will help you through this process. Ensure she knows the scope of her involvement before she agrees to help. You will need her to complete and sign the lower section of Part VII on your application.

#7. Start Now!

Review the application, instructions and eligibility requirements to see what you need to do to prepare. For example, financial need is one of the criteria. Get started on your essay!

#6. If Your Certificate Requires a Medical, Get it Now!

Don't wait until the last minute to get your medical. Having the medical certificate in your hand puts you one step closer to qualifying for this scholarship.

#5. Get Involved!

Participate in the Ninety-Nines and other aviation activities to help strengthen your essay and to demonstrate your passion for aviation.

#4. Obtain a Powerful Outside Letter of Recommendation

Carefully choose an individual outside of aviation who can prepare a recommendation letter that stands apart.

#3. Paint a Clear Picture – Why Should They Choose YOU?

When writing your essay, show your passion, determination and include all the essay requirements stated in Part II. Consider having trusted friends/family review your essay.

#2. Keep Your Logbook Updated

Total the hours and sign the bottom of each page once it is completed. Make sure your logbook copies needed for the application are clear and easy to read.

#1. Check and Double Check Your Application for Completeness & Accuracy

Just as you do a thorough pre-flight of your aircraft, confirm that your application is complete and correct in every way. If you have any questions, ask! Remember, give your AE Scholarship Chair plenty of time to complete her portion of the application and ask her to ensure everything is correct. Good luck!