



Aviation Scholarships

“You miss 100% of the shots you don’t take.”

- Wayne Gretzky

We Will Discuss....

- ▶ **Rachel's Experience Applying for Scholarships**
- ▶ **The Value in Applying for Scholarships**
- ▶ **How to Increase Your Odds of Success**

Question...

- ▶ How many of you have applied to any aviation scholarships?
- ▶ In the chat box ... what keeps you from applying to more scholarships?

Rachel's Experience Applying For Scholarships

- ▶ Aviation Explorers! The #1 best opportunity!
- ▶ Applied to 17 scholarships. Won 8 scholarships (*2 additional - waiting*)
- ▶ Organizations
 - ▶ Aviation Explorers
 - ▶ EAA
 - ▶ AOPA
 - ▶ WAI - Woman in Aviation International
 - ▶ Cessna Pilots Association
 - ▶ Community Organization - Grand Rapids, Michigan
 - ▶ WTS - Woman in Transportation
 - ▶ Ninety-Nines

Rachel's Experience Applying For Scholarships

- ▶ Scholarships amounts - \$1,000 to \$10,000
- ▶ Rachel's current training: PPC, Instrument, Commercial in progress
- ▶ Total Of 8 Awarded Scholarships: \$30,000
 - ▶ 99s most recent award - \$10,000
 - ▶ The other \$20,000 ranged \$1,000-\$6,000
- ▶ Scholarships are significant!

The Value in Applying For Scholarships

- ▶ Why it's so valuable - An Example
 - ▶ Time To Apply: 2 to 4 hours
 - ▶ \$2,000 average scholarship you are awarded
 - ▶ Assume you win 1 of every 4 scholarships
 - ▶ You put in 16 hours of work and receive \$2000. That's \$125/hour!

 - ▶ Or.....16 hours @ minimum wage of \$15.00/hour = \$240
 - ▶ Or.....take a student loan of \$2,000. Earn \$25/hour as a CFI. Over 80 hours to earn \$2,000!

- ▶ Scholarships are a worthwhile endeavor!

How To Increase Your Odds Of Success

- ▶ Do **EVERYTHING** Ceci tells you to do! And go over all her tips and resources at www.sfv99s.org/education.php
- ▶ Go **“ALL IN”** - don't be **“half hearted”** (that'll guarantee **NOT** winning)
- ▶ **Get a mentor**
- ▶ Don't think **“I can't win”** or **“the odds are against me”**
- ▶ **Invest the time up front. They get faster!**