



Orange County 99s Aviation Scholarship

The Orange County Chapter of the Ninety-Nines International Organization of Women Pilots is offering up to three scholarships to local women. The number of scholarships awarded is dependent upon the amount of funding available.

In 2021, the chapter will award three scholarships: The Eleanor Todd Aviation Scholarship, The Orange County 99s Aviation Scholarship honoring Linda Eldridge and The Orange County 99s Aviation Scholarship honoring Shirley Tanner.

The scholarships are to be used by the recipients towards an advanced rating or training to further their pursuit in aviation. Each scholarship is \$3,000 and can be applied towards Private Pilot Certificate, advanced ratings or towards Airframe and Powerplant (A&P) advancement. If there are no applicants for the A&P advancement scholarship, it may be awarded to flight training at the discretion of the scholarship committee.

Eligibility

1. Applicant must have been a member of the Ninety-Nines for at least 3 months and membership must be current. Membership must be in effect with 99s International by February 15th of the current year.
2. The applicant must have a current FAA medical certificate, if required, appropriate to the rating she seeks.
3. The applicant must train within 55 miles of KSNA.
4. If the applicant is seeking a rating or certificate grade higher than Private Pilot, she must have a current flight review or equivalent and have all rating prerequisites to the rating she seeks.
5. The applicant must be at least 18 years old; there is no maximum age limit.
6. The applicant must be proficient in English as per the [Federal Aviation Regulations](#).
7. Applicant must submit and sign the scholarship application and the scholarship award attestation.
8. Applications must be received by midnight on the application deadline, May 15th of the current year.
9. The scholarship award must be used for the purpose specified in the scholarship application.
10. If the award is to be used for flight training, it must be used at a certified flight school or through a certified flight instructor approved by the scholarship committee.



Application

The application must be completed and submitted in full as stated below. Applications which are incomplete will be disqualified.

Application must be typed or printed legibly.

Send the application as a PDF (one file) to: OCNinetyNines@gmail.com

Note: Please submit emailed documents in PDF and Word formats (Google Drive documents are not acceptable).

Contact the scholarship committee at OCNinetyNines@gmail.com with any questions regarding the application process.

All applications must be signed and received by midnight on May 15th of the current year.

The applications will be judged based on the applicant's:

- Activities and commitment to the 99s
- Activities and commitment to aviation
- Ability to reach goals
- Letter of recommendation
- Personal essay

Terms

1. As the recipient, you must complete the rating or training appropriate to your award within one year of the award date. Special adverse circumstances will be considered if this goal is not met.
2. If your progress is not acceptable to the Orange County 99s scholarship committee, all funds paid toward achieving your rating must be reimbursed to the Orange County 99s Scholarship fund within 60 days of that decision.
3. \$500 of the award may be paid directly to the scholarship recipient.
4. The next \$1,000 will be paid directly to your certified flight school or approved certified flight instructor.
5. Receipts showing progress of training and signed by both recipient and instructor must be submitted via email (OCninetynines@gmail.com) to the scholarship committee before further funds are awarded.
6. Receipts showing completion of training and signed by both student (recipient) and instructor must be submitted to the scholarship committee within one year of the award date.
7. Scholarships will be awarded at the Orange County 99s Pilot of the Year Banquet in June.
8. The recipient will be asked to attend an Orange County Chapter 99s meeting to report on the progress toward her goal, or to submit a written report if unable to attend.
9. Recipients will be asked to submit an article about their training progress to our OC 99s newsletter (Plane Tales) at OCNinetyNines@gmail.com.



Scholarship Application

All applications must be signed and received by **May 15th of the current year.**

Scholarship Title: **Orange County 99s Aviation Scholarship**

Full Name: _____

99s' Membership #: _____

Chapter Affiliation: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone # (Home): _____ (Cell): _____

Email Address: _____

Are you currently employed? _____

If yes, check one: _____ part-time _____ full-time

Please state your specific purpose for the use of this scholarship: _____

Scholarship will be used for _____ rating/certificate

Current ratings, if any: _____

Airman certificate #: _____

Medical Class: _____ Expiration Date: _____

Total flight time: _____ hours || PIC time: _____ hours

BFR date: _____



Aviation Experience:

Written tests passed: _____

Types of aircraft flown: _____

Multi-engine hours: _____ Instrument hours: _____

Other aviation related education, if any: _____

Other professional or aviation organizations you are a member of: _____

Please list any aviation violations, incidents, or accidents you have had: _____

Ninety-Nines Offices & Involvement:

List all offices you have held: _____

Activities participated in: _____

Chapter/Business Meetings attended: _____

List the committees that you have been a member of, including dates: _____



List dates and locations of Section and/or International Meetings have you attended? _____

List the 99s' fly-ins you have participated in: _____

What other activities or programs were you a part of: _____

Essay Questions (500 words or less):

Please answer the following questions on a separate sheet of paper in essay format:

1. What inspired you to get into aviation?
2. What are your long-term goals in aviation? What steps have you taken to achieve your goals? What is your plan of action to reach your goals?
3. What aviation-related activities have you participated in (including employment) that mean the most to you?
4. How would you contribute to The Ninety-Nines and to the aviation community in general?

Letter of Recommendation:

Please include **one (1)** letter of recommendation from non-family members (e.g. teacher, person in aviation who knows you, current or former employer, guidance counselor, clergy, etc.)

Requirements for ALL APPLICANTS:

- Signed scholarship application (all pages)
- Signed scholarship award attestation
- Typed or clearly printed essay
- Letter of recommendation
- Photocopy of current medical
- Photocopy of all aviation licenses and certificates
- Proof of Ninety-Nines membership
- Copies of at least 2 pages of your pilot logbook, if applicable

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Applications must be signed and received by midnight on May 15th of current year.

**Applications must be submitted via email (.PDF format) to OCninetynines@gmail.com
All documents submitted must be combined into a single.pdf file attachment**

Scholarship Award Attestation

By my signature below, I certify that:

1. I meet the eligibility requirements for the Orange County 99s Aviation Scholarship.
2. My scholarship application reflects an honest appraisal of my ability to complete the goal stated.
3. My scholarship application is complete, true and correct in every respect.
4. I understand that any misrepresentation, concealment, or omission of required information will result in disqualification and withdrawal of remaining scholarship award.
5. I understand that no reimbursement will be made for travel/food/lodging expenses associated with training.
6. I understand that no payment will be made before the scholarship chairman has received the signed scholarship award attestation from the recipient, signifying agreement to the stated terms of the award.
7. I assume full responsibility for meeting all deadlines and tracking the progress of my scholarship application through the review and selection process.

I further certify that, if awarded an Orange County 99s Aviation Scholarship, I will:

- A. Send a color headshot photo and brief biographical statement of 200 words or less within two weeks following the formal Pilot of the Year Banquet.
- B. Use the funds solely for the specific purpose stated on my scholarship application.
- C. Use the scholarship award within one year of the formal Pilot of the Year Banquet.
- D. Communicate training status to the scholarship chairman in writing or via email and provide timely notification of changes to personal contact information.
- E. Report my training status by attending at least one Orange County Chapter of the Ninety-Nines meeting within one year of receipt of my award or to submit a written report if unable to attend. Present an additional report upon completion of the use of the scholarship award outlining my status and training accomplishments.
- F. I acknowledge that I meet all the requirements to receive/maintain my pilot license or A&P or additional ratings. I agree that I will continue to meet all the requirements necessary to receive/maintain my pilot license or A&P or additional ratings during the pendency of this scholarship award.



Reimbursement Clause

As the recipient, you must complete the rating or training appropriate to your award within one year of the award date. Special adverse circumstances will be considered if this goal is not met and your status will be reviewed by the scholarship committee. Receipts showing progress of training and signed by both student (recipient) and instructor must be submitted to the scholarship committee before the 2nd half of funds are awarded. Receipts showing completion of training and signed by both student (recipient) and instructor must be submitted to the scholarship committee within one year of the award date. **If your progress is not acceptable to the Orange County 99s Aviation Scholarship committee, all funds paid toward achieving your rating must be reimbursed to the Orange County 99s Aviation Scholarship fund within 60 days of that decision.**

I, _____, agree to the terms of this scholarship.

Scholarship applicant signature: _____ Date: _____

A signed copy of this Scholarship Award Attestation must accompany the completed Orange County 99s Aviation Scholarship Application.



Hold Harmless:

Neither the Orange County Chapter of the Ninety-Nines International Organization of Women Pilots, Inc., the Southwest Section of the Ninety-Nines International Organization of Women Pilots, Inc., nor their members, agents, or representatives are responsible for the quality of any training received with this scholarship, nor for any accident, incident, or any other event which may occur while the recipient of this scholarship is performing flight training, or activities related thereto. I hereby release the Ninety-Nines and any of its affiliated organizations for all actions, claims, or demands that I, my assignees, heirs, distributees, guardians, and legal representatives now have or may hereafter have for injury or damage resulting from my participation in any activities related to this scholarship.

I hereby certify that I have read and agree to be bound by the instructions to applicants. I understand that the scholarships are offered by individual groups/organizations and that The Ninety-Nines, Inc. has no responsibility or liability whatsoever for any scholarships or awards or the quality of training received. It is my sole responsibility to assure timely receipt of my application by the deadline.

I agree to abide by all the terms and conditions specified on this application. I declare under penalty of perjury that the information I have given here is true and correct and that I meet the eligibility requirement for the scholarship sought.

Applicant Name (Printed): _____

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Application Deadline is midnight on May 15th of the current year.

For Orange County Ninety-Nines scholarship committee use: application packet received on _____