

# WISCONSIN AVIATION HALL OF FAME SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS



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## BACKGROUND

A key segment of the Wisconsin Aviation Hall of Fame's (WAHF) mission is the promotion of aviation/aerospace education. One way WAHF achieves that goal is by awarding scholarships. WAHF's scholarship program began in 2002 with a single \$1,000 award. Today, four scholarships are presented annually to Wisconsin students in an aviation or aerospace program.

## SCHOLARSHIP DESCRIPTIONS

**The Jeff Baum Aviation Business & Jim Quinn Flight School Scholarship** was established in 2013 to honor long-time aviation business owner and 2013 WAHF inductee Jeff Baum. In 2018, an additional gift was received to the fund and expanded to include recognition of Jim Quinn. This scholarship is a \$1,000 annual award to a deserving aviation/aerospace student. Preference will be given to students enrolled in aviation business management or flight school programs.

**The Carl Guell Memorial Scholarship**, named in honor of the WAHF's founder, was created in 2002. This scholarship provides a \$1,000 annual award to a deserving aviation/aerospace student.

**The Robert Payzer Memorial/EAA Chapter 640 Scholarship** began in 2013 when a local EAA chapter elected to recognize former member Robert Payzer, a Wausau, Wisconsin native and friend of the chapter. This scholarship is a \$1,000 annual award to a deserving aviation/aerospace student.

**The Thiessen Field Scholarship** was created in 2005 by Jerome Thiessen, a Wisconsin aircraft owner and builder who flew from his private airport. Students with a financial need or lower GPA are especially encouraged to apply for these awards given in his memory (\$7,500 to be given out annually).

## ELIGIBILITY

The following requirements apply to **all awards**. Applicants must:

- plan to pursue an education in the aviation/aerospace field
- be a resident of Wisconsin for at least two years
- demonstrate a passion for a career in the aviation/aerospace field
- be active in community and extracurricular activities; (note - Thiessen waives this requirement)
- have a minimum 3.0 GPA; (note - Thiessen Field Scholarship waives this requirement)

### Additional requirements for **some awards**:

#### Jeff Baum Scholarship

- applicants enrolled in an aviation business management program will be given preference during the review process

#### Thiessen Field Scholarship

- applicants must either be enrolled, or planning to enroll, in an aviation program at an institution of higher education in Wisconsin or the surrounding region
- applicants with financial need should state those special circumstances on the application
- GPA and community service are not deciding factors in the review process and should not be deterrents for individuals planning to apply

## APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Students are encouraged to apply through the Community Foundation of North Central Wisconsin's online application site at: [www.grantinterface.com/cfoncwscholarships/Common/LogOn.aspx](http://www.grantinterface.com/cfoncwscholarships/Common/LogOn.aspx).

Completed applications must be submitted by **March 31** to be considered by the selection committee. Information will be held in the confidence of the Wisconsin Aviation Hall of Fame scholarship selection committee, the Community Foundation's board of directors, and its staff.

## YOUR APPLICATION MUST INCLUDE

The following items must be submitted with your application in order to be eligible for consideration:

- Transcript of grades
- List of extracurricular activities and community service (downloadable form online)
- Two instructor references (downloadable form available online)

## CRITERIA FOR SELECTION

Awards are made to applicants who meet or exceed the eligibility requirements detailed on previous page.

## QUESTIONS OR REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

Questions regarding the scholarship criteria or application process can be directed to Sue Nelson at the Community Foundation of North Central Wisconsin's office, [sue@cfoncw.org](mailto:sue@cfoncw.org) or 715-845-9555.

## ANNOUNCEMENT AND PAYMENT

The Community Foundation of North Central Wisconsin will confirm the selection of the committee with the recipients and will pay scholarship funds directly to the recipient's school once proof of registration has been provided. Recipients are invited to attend and be recognized at the Wisconsin Aviation Hall of Fame's annual induction ceremony held in Oshkosh, typically in October.

## DONATIONS ACCEPTED

These scholarships are offered through the endowed funds that support them, which are administered within the Community Foundation of North Central Wisconsin.

Tax-deductible donations can be made to these funds at any time and in any amount. We also welcome the establishment of any new funds, and would be happy to discuss the possibility with interested donors.

Online donations are accepted with a credit card through the Community Foundation's website ([www.cfoncw.org](http://www.cfoncw.org) – click on the "Give Now" button and follow the prompts to alphabetically locate the fund of your choice). Checks may be mailed to the Community Foundation – make checks payable to the Community Foundation of North Central Wisconsin with a notation stating which scholarship the donation is to be directed to and send it to the address below.



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