Fly Beyond Boundaries Scholarship

Joshua Schwerin is a rising senior at Bozeman High school in Bozeman, Montana, who's passion has been flying from a very young age. Josh began flying at 15 years old, soloed in an airplane on his 16th birthday, and on August 3rd, 2024 became the youngest person to break the Guinness World Record for circumnavigate the Contiguous United States by aircraft at 17 years old!

In preparation for his record-breaking attempt, Joshua created the Fly Beyond Boundaries Scholarship Fund In hopes to help fellow students who share in his aviation passion. His Fly Beyond Boundaries scholarship has raised enough funds to award two students a full ride scholarship to the Aviation Maintenance Technology Program at Helena College!

The Fly Beyond Boundaries Scholarship is graciously offering two full ride scholarships to two students who have graduated from a high school in Montana, have been accepted into the upcoming Fall 202 Helena College Aviation Maintenance Technology Program, attending as a full-time student, and are in good academic standing. Students who have been awarded these scholarship funds will need to maintain a good academic standing during the entirety of the Aviation Maintenance Technology Program, and complete the program in the standard 5 semester time frame from August 2026 to May 2028.

Deadline: **June 30th, 2027 at 5pm**

Eligibility Criteria:

- Graduated from a High School in Montana
- Enrolled in the Aviation Maintenance Technology program at Helena College
- Full-time student
- In good academic standing with at least a 2.0 GPA and meeting a 70% SAP passage rate.

Application Procedure & Criteria:

1. Complete the application form and return it to the Financial Aid Office on or before the deadline.
2. Complete a 1-2-page essay explaining your educational and future career goals, how these relate to your passion for aviation, and how this scholarship would help you achieve these goals.
3. Attach one letter of recommendation.
4. A copy of your unofficial transcripts.

Selection Decision:

The Schwerin family will review all applications and notify Helena College, who will then award the scholarship funds on their behalf. Each scholarship recipient will write an acknowledgement letter (thank you) to the Schwerin family.

Fly Beyond Boundaries Scholarship Application Form

Applicant Name _____

Mailing Address_____

City _____ **State** _____ **Zip** _____

Telephone Number _____ **Email:** _____

Do you have any additional scholarships or VA Benefits that you will be receiving or utilizing for the 26-27 academic year? If so please describe and put down the actual dollar amounts you have been awarded already.

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Application Checklist:

- ☐ Completed application form
- ☐ 1-2-page essay of educational & career goals, passion for aviation, and how this scholarship will help you achieve these.
- ☐ One letter of recommendation
- ☐ A copy of your unofficial transcripts

The scholarship will be determined by the Schwerin family and will need to review all documentation submitted. Schwerin family may reach out to your letter of recommendation person and or may reach out to you by phone, email, or mail to notify you of your application status. By signing this form, you acknowledge and agree that this information may be disclosed.

Signature _____ **Date** _____

Submit completed application and material to Helena College Financial Aid Office at 1115 North Roberts Street, Helena, MT 59601.

The deadline for the 2025-2026 Fly Beyond Boundaries Scholarship is June 30th, 2026 by 5pm.

Financial Aid Office Use Only:

Current GPA: _____ **Date Application Received:** _____

Student is currently enrolled in the Aviation Maintenance Technology Program at Helena College and is a full-time student for the Fall 2026 term. (circle one)

YES NO **Signature** _____ **Date** _____