

Willard G. Plentl Aviation Scholarship Program



Background

Willard G. Plentl, Sr. was born in Houston, Texas and began pilot training in the Army Air Corps in 1942. Mr. Plentl had a successful career as a military pilot that included serving during the Korean War and flying a variety of aircraft from trainers to bombers to fighters.

After his retirement from the Air Force as a Lieutenant Colonel in 1962, Mr. Plentl accepted a position with the Commonwealth of Virginia as Assistant Director, Division of Aeronautics, Virginia State Corporation Commission, and in 1964 he became Director of Aeronautics. In 1970, he was a member of the President's Aviation Advisory Commission which helped shape America's current aviation system. Mr. Plentl retired from the Virginia Department of Aviation in 1984 and was elected to the Virginia Aviation Hall of Fame that same year.

Mr. Plentl passed away on May 19, 2005 leaving behind a devoted family and a record of outstanding service to aviation. In honor of his remarkable gentleman and his 22 years of service to the Commonwealth of Virginia, this scholarship program has been established.

Scholarship Requirements

The Willard G. Plentl Aviation Scholarship, in the amount of \$1,000, will be awarded to a Virginia High School senior who is planning an aviation career in a non-engineering area. A certification of acceptance into a non-engineering, aviation-related postsecondary education program is required. Examples of non-engineering aviation careers include (but are not limited to) pilots, aviation maintenance technicians, aviation managers, etc. Scholarship applicants must have an unweighted GPA of at least 3.5. One scholarship of \$1,000 will be awarded each year and is not renewable.

To Apply:

1. Complete the attached application.
2. Have your guidance counselor or other high school official sign all required certifications.
3. Attach an official copy of your current high school transcript and a copy of acceptance letters or other verification of enrollment or acceptance into a post-secondary institution.
4. Attach to the application a typed, double-spaced essay (350 word minimum/500 word maximum) on the subject: "Why I Wish to Pursue a Career in Aviation."
5. Attach recommendation letters (no more than three) and a typed (one-page maximum) sheet listing both school-related and extracurricular activities demonstrating accomplishments and leadership capabilities.
6. Mail all documents to:

Plentl Scholarship
c/o Virginia Department of Aviation
Attn: Betty Wilson
5702 Gulfstream Road
Richmond, VA 23250-2422



Willard G. Plentl, Sr.
Aviation Scholarship Program Application

Award Amount: \$1,000.00

Deadline for Application: Friday, March 13, 2015

Please include a completed W-9 form.

Applicant Information:

Name: _____ Home Phone: () _____

Mailing Address: _____

High School Information:

Name of School: _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number: () _____ Date of Graduation: _____

High School Certification:

As verified by the attached high school grade transcript, I hereby certify that the above named student has maintained at least a 3.50 GPA in all completed courses to date.

Name and Title of High School Official (Typed or Printed)

Signature and Date

Post Secondary Acceptance Certification:

As verified by enclosed documentation, I hereby certify that the above named student is enrolled in or accepted for enrollment in the _____ program at _____ (Accredited institution)

Name and Title of High School Official (Typed or Printed)

Signature and Date

Statement of Financial Need:

Describe why you need this scholarship: _____

**Request for Taxpayer
Identification Number and Certification**

Give Form to the requester. Do not send to the IRS.

Name (as shown on your Income tax return)

Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above

Check appropriate box for federal tax classification:
 Individual/sole proprietor C Corporation S Corporation Partnership Trust/estate
 Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=partnership) ▶ _____
 Other (see instructions) ▶ _____

Exempt payee

Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.) Requester's name and address (optional)

City, state, and ZIP code

List account number(s) here (optional)

Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on the "Name" line to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the Part I instructions on page 3. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN* on page 3.

Social security number

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Note. If the account is in more than one name, see the chart on page 4 for guidelines on whose number to enter.

Employer identification number

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Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

- The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me), and
- I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding, and
- I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below).

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions on page 4.

Sign Here Signature of U.S. person ▶ _____ Date ▶ _____

General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Purpose of Form

A person who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) to report, for example, income paid to you, real estate transactions, mortgage interest you paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, or contributions you made to an IRA.

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN to the person requesting it (the requester) and, when applicable, to:

- Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued),
- Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or
- Claim exemption from backup withholding if you: are a U.S. exempt payee. If applicable, you are also certifying that as a U.S. person, your allocable share of any partnership income from a U.S. trade or business is not subject to the withholding tax on foreign partners' share of effectively connected income.

Note. If a requester gives you a form other than Form W-9 to request your TIN, you must use the requester's form if it is substantially similar to this Form W-9.

Definition of a U.S. person. For federal tax purposes, you are considered a U.S. person if you are:

- An individual who is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien,
- A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States,
- An estate (other than a foreign estate), or
- A domestic trust (as defined in Regulations section 301.7701-7).

Special rules for partnerships. Partnerships that conduct a trade or business in the United States are generally required to pay a withholding tax on any foreign partners' share of income from such business. Further, in certain cases where a Form W-9 has not been received, a partnership is required to presume that a partner is a foreign person, and pay the withholding tax. Therefore, if you are a U.S. person that is a partner in a partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States, provide Form W-9 to the partnership to establish your U.S. status and avoid withholding on your share of partnership income.