



Green Castle Aero Club Foundation

# Bill Kimble Flight Scholarship Application

Date of Application: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Home and/or Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Student e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

School and Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Approximate driving distance from Green Castle Airport: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parent(s) or Legal Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Parents if different: \_\_\_\_\_

Aviation or Aviation-Related Experience: \_\_\_\_\_

Activities planned for (job, clubs, sports, hobbies etc) outside school hours or during summer and approximate time spent for each during a typical week: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Career/School Plans - (Include where you will be this coming \_\_\_\_): \_\_\_\_\_

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Have you started flight training or do you anticipate starting flight training in the next couple months?

Yes  No Details: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_



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Please read and sign below:

If selected for the scholarship I have read and agree to abide by the rules for the scholarship as listed in the Bill Kimble Flight Scholarship Announcement attached. (This announcement is also available at <https://www.greencastleaeroclub.com/bill-kimble-flight-scholarship.html>)

Signature of Candidate: \_\_\_\_\_

If my child is selected for the scholarship, I agree that he or she will abide by the rules of the scholarship and the Green Castle Aero Club, as set out in the attached Scholarship Announcement and Rules and in the "Pilot Rules" section of the Club website <https://www.greencastleaeroclub.com/pilot-rules.html>. My child, as far as I am aware, has no health conditions or substance abuse offenses that might prevent obtaining a pilot's license. I have had a chance to discuss the risks and benefits and I agree that he or she may take flying lessons as described in the Bill Kimble Flight Scholarship Announcement attached.

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_



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The Green Castle Aero Club and its members would like to welcome candidates to apply for the Bill Kimble Flight Training Scholarship. We offer this scholarship periodically to honor the memory of Bill Kimble, one of our founding members, by awarding the chance to earn a pilot's license to a deserving young person. The ideal candidate is a young person with an enduring attraction to aviation. Past graduates have gone on to become airline pilots, military pilots, flight engineers and air traffic controllers. Earning a pilot's license requires two closely related types of training: study of flying theory and rules "on the ground" to pass a written test and acquisition of practical skills "in the air" to pass what is referred to as a "check ride." This year, we have revised the Scholarship into a two-phase experience with the intent of potentially making it available to more individuals.

In the first phase, selected individuals will be enrolled in free ground school at Green Castle (one evening a week for 10 weeks, a course ordinarily costing \$250.00.) We can accommodate several applicants in this phase and expect that most serious applicants will be accepted and be able to complete this course, thereby gaining the knowledge needed to pass the FAA required written test. During this first phase the students will be able to earn a free half hour training flight with a Certified Flight Instructor after 3 ground school sessions by achieving a passing score on a test covering the subjects previously taught. During the flight the students will be graded on their performance in and around the airplane and the flight time will be recorded in the student's logbook. After 7 ground school sessions the students will be able to earn another free half hour of flight training by meeting the same requirements previously described.

After the Scholarship Committee has had an opportunity to observe progress in ground school and to discuss each student's flight performance with the CFI we plan to select one or more individuals (depending on availability of funds and quality of applicants) from the first phase to become Phase II students and continue flight training with an instructor. Half of the cost of lessons and materials in Phase II will be provided by the Scholarship on a dollar-for-dollar basis; i.e. each dollar spent by the student towards plane rental, instructor fees or other covered expense is matched by the Scholarship, up to \$2500 maximum, provided the Phase II scholarship recipient continues to meet the scholarship requirements as described below. (The normal cost of obtaining such a license, based on current costs for instruction, materials, testing and airplane rental, ranges from \$4500 to \$6500 depending on the individual.)

Scholarship awards will be based primarily on the Scholarship Committee's assessment of an applicant's desire to fly, interest in aviation as a lifelong pursuit, likely aptitude for being a pilot and general level of maturity. Acceptance to Phase I will be largely based on submitted application materials, possibly supplemented by interviews, depending on the number and quality of applications received. Selection for Phase II will be based on formal and informal evaluations of performance during Phase I. Necessarily, we will also consider various practical details such as parental support, driving distance to the airport, (No transportation to and from the airport is provided.) and competing interests.



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Earning a pilot's license typically requires an average of 45 hours of flight time, considerable ground school training, either formal or informal, and a fair amount of study on your own time. The amount of time and energy is easily equal to a part-time job. We have found that while many young people are excited by the prospect of actually being able to fly, few have the necessary background to understand what is involved. It is our hope that any young person who thinks they want to fly will apply for and participate in Phase I. The only real investment required for this phase is time and study, one night a week for approximately 10 weeks. In return, even as he or she begins the theoretical learning process, there will be a chance for the student to meet actual pilots and get a real sense of what it takes to become one.

The Green Castle Aero Club is an ideal place to undertake the sometimes arduous but exciting task of learning to fly. The club is located at Green Castle Airport, on F28 about five miles west of North Liberty. We have nearly 150 members with a wide range of experience. We have a number of active certified flight instructors (CFI's as we call them.) Formal and informal instruction and advice are there for the asking. You and your family are welcome to visit us at one of our meetings (most Wednesday nights at 6:30 PM) or whenever you are free. (If you just want to drop by you might want to call first. We do not have permanent office staff.) Our phone number is 319-545-2101. Our website: is <http://www.greencastleaeroclub.com>. You may also contact Scholarship Committee Chair Dean Beranek at (563)506-2665; or [beranekdean@lcom.net](mailto:beranekdean@lcom.net).

## Eligibility:

Applicants must be legal residents of the United States. The Green Castle Aero Club does not discriminate based on race, creed or sex. Although it is anticipated that some candidates will come from families already belonging to the Aero Club, no special consideration is given to such applicants. For Phase II consideration, you must intend to remain in the area (close enough to come to the airport at least twice weekly) until you have obtained your license.

## Age:

For Phase II consideration, you must reach your 17th birthday and be no more than 18 by June 30th of the year you are awarded a scholarship.

## Legal:

You must be free of alcohol or drug-related offenses for at least a year before the application. We also expect a scholarship recipient to remain free of such offenses during training.

## Medical:

An applicant must be able to pass the flight physical (and will be expected to do so at his or her own expense before beginning Phase II training)



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## Parental Approval for Minors:

For both legal and philosophical reasons we require signed permission of the parent(s)/guardian(s) of any minor before starting Phase I.

## Membership in Green Castle Aero Club:

To begin Phase II and use club airplanes the scholarship recipient must become a member of Green Castle Aero Club, LTD. Since the recipient is a minor, his or her immediate family members are also included in the membership. There is no membership charge while the scholarship recipient is in training supported by the scholarship. Once the scholarship is completed, the scholarship recipient becomes an ordinary club member and is subject to monthly dues.

## Scholarship paid expenses:

Phase I: Cost of course waived. Instructional materials loaned to student.

Phase II: 1/2 the cost on a dollar-for-dollar basis

Flight Instruction up to a maximum of 45 hours (airplane rental and flight instructor time)

Cost of approved instructional materials

Cost of taking the written test will be reimbursed for a passing score (one time only).

Cost of a check ride (one time only) required for a private pilot's license.

## Expenses YOU are entirely responsible for:

Cost of flight physical (typically \$80 - \$120 and must be completed before starting Phase II)

Cost of transportation to and from lessons

Cost of purchasing any optional materials such as a headset (the Club has "loaners.")

Cost of failed written tests or repeat check ride if required; 1/2 the cost of a passed written test

**COST OF ANY INSTRUCTION OR FLYING ONCE SCHOLARSHIP IS  
COMPLETED OR TERMINATED.**

We expect Phase I participants to make a good-faith effort to come to each instructional session but recognize that occasional conflicts will arise. The participant should stay in contact with the instructor to make up tests, etc. We expect loaned materials to be returned in good condition.

For Phase II awardees: Continuation of the scholarship is subject to following Club rules, participating in Club fund raising activities and maintaining adequate progress towards a license, as below:



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- (1) In a timely manner, after being notified of the award, before beginning flight training, the Phase II scholarship recipient will need to take and pass a flight physical at their own expense.
- (2) The Phase II scholarship recipient will need to pass the FAA written test before going beyond 10 hours of actual flying. Scholarship funding will be suspended if this deadline is not met, but may be reinstated if the test is subsequently passed, subject to Aero Club Board approval.
- (3) Financial contribution to private pilot training under Phase II of the scholarship is limited to \$2500, paid on a dollar-for-dollar basis matching student expenditures, or for 6 months from the day the Phase II scholarship is awarded, whichever comes first. The student may, of course, continue beyond this if necessary without scholarship assistance, but it should be possible to earn a private pilot's license within this time and expense frame.
- (4) Phase II scholarship recipients are expected to participate and help with club sponsored events (most or all of which will also be fundraisers for the scholarship) during their scholarship tenure.
- (5) In addition, the Aero Club reserves the right to terminate a Phase II scholarship award in those exceptional situations where it is felt, in our judgment, that an award recipient is making insufficient progress towards obtaining a pilot's license or otherwise violating the conditions of the scholarship.

#### Miscellaneous:

All instruction will be given by Aero Club approved instructors. All flight training for a Phase II recipient will be in Aero Club airplanes. Ground School is planned to begin on March 2, 2020. Awarding and maintaining the scholarship is solely the prerogative of the Green Castle Aero Club.

Applications should be sent to:

[gcaero@southslope.net](mailto:gcaero@southslope.net)

Please insert "Scholarship" in the subject line of your email.