

AVIATION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME

CONDITIONS FOR AWARD OF SCHOLARSHIP

Instructions:

All interested applicants are encouraged to carefully review the requirements outlined below prior to completing the application process.

General Information:

Fourteen (14) Aviation Scholarships will be available for award to suitable Jamaican nationals for the pursuit of aviation training in one of three (3) areas related to:

- a) Pilot Training Private Pilot Licence or Commercial Pilot Licence;
- b) Airport Management & Operations ACI Diploma in Airport Operations
- c) Aircraft Maintenance (not available at present/ for future award)

i. **ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR SCHOLARSHIP**

Preference will be given to applicants from communities within or adjacent to where an airport/aerodrome is located within Jamaica. These airports/aerodromes are: Tinson Pen (St. Andrew), Negril (Hanover), Ken Jones (Portland), Ian Fleming International (St. Mary), Sangster International (St. James) and Norman Manley International (Kingston).

ii. TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The applicant must: -

- a. Be a Jamaican citizen who has resided in Jamaica continuously for no less than five (5) consecutive years prior to the commencement of the programme of study/training. Applicants must have been born in Jamaica or were born overseas to Jamaican parent(s) or have been naturalized. Non-Jamaican applicants living in Jamaica holding a student visa are not eligible.
- b. Possess a valid National ID or passport issued by the Government of Jamaica;

- c. Be between the ages 17 25 years old.
- d. Possess a recent clean Police Record (no older than 3 months) from the Jamaica Constabulary Force after acceptance.
- e. Be accepted and registered at an accredited aviation training institution in Jamaica (for applicants selected for a scholarship award).
- f. Not be the holder or recipient of any other scholarship or tuition assistance for the programme/training to be pursued.
- g. Demonstrate a need for financial assistance.
- h. Be medically fit (medical certificate from an approved Aviation Medical Officer) **For flight training only.**
- i. Demonstrate integrity, good character, leadership qualities and consistent involvement in social/community activities.
- j. CSEC passes (Grade 3 or higher) in at least **five (5)** subjects: including English, Mathematics and a technical/science subject: Geography, Physics, Technical Drawing, Industrial Technology, etc.).
- k. Have a sound grasp and understanding of the English language (speak, write, read)
- I. Demonstrate the appropriate mental fortitude for flying For flight training only
- m. Be recommended by Community (School Principal, Police Officer, Minister of Religion, Justice of the Peace).

<u>iii.</u> Required Documents for Uploading/Submitting to Complete Application Process:

- a. Complete and submit via e-mail the Aviation Scholarship Application Form and other documents listed below by Tuesday, October 31st, 2023 @ 11:59pm (local time) to: aaj_aviation_scholarship@aaj.com.jm
- b. Copy of birth certificate
- c. Copy of National ID or Jamaican passport
- d. Valid Taxpayer Registration Number (TRN)
- e. Colour passport-sized (portrait) photograph (in electronic format: *jpg, png, bmp*)

- f. Proof of existing academic qualifications (certified copies of certificates/degrees)
- g. An acceptance letter verifying that the applicant is registered or accepted in an aviation training institution (for applicants selected for a scholarship award).
- h. Provide character references from two (2) of the following professionals:
 - Justice of the Peace;
 - Minister of Religion;
 - Senior Police Officer;
 - School Principal

Approved Aviation Training Organisations

Approved training organisations selected by Airports Authority of Jamaica for pursuit of aviation training under the 2023/24 Aviation Scholarship Programme are:

For Flight Training:

Jamaica Civil Aviation Authority (JCAA) Approved Training Organisation (ATO):

• Aeronautical School of the West Indies (ASWI), Tinson Pen Aerodrome, Kingston

For Airport Operations & Management:

• Airports Council International (ACI) - Virtual/Online Training

For Aircraft Maintenance:

To be announced

iv. **REGULATIONS**

- a. Any applicant to whom this Scholarship is awarded, shall not simultaneously hold any other substantial award.
 - b. The scholarship is for <u>tuition & requisite training materials</u> only valued at **90%** of the specified cost of aviation training up to a maximum of J\$550,000 for one (1) year for Airport Operations & Management training

and a maximum of J\$2M/for one (1) year for Flight Training. It is the responsibility of the applicant to finance the balance of the training programme fee if the value of the Scholarship does not cover the aviation training programme in full.

- c. The successful applicant may not be eligible for another AAJ Aviation Scholarship until five (5) years have passed since the completion of the training programme.
- d. There shall be a bonding requirement/agreement for all successful applicants who have received a scholarship for pursuit of aviation training, with the requirement for employment in Jamaica with an Airport Operator or entity which is a holder of Air Operator Certificate (AOC) issued by the Jamaica Civil Aviation Authority (JCAA). The bonding period shall be for:
 - **One (1) year** after completion of Airport Operations & Management training

Two (2) years after completion of Flight training

- e. All recipients of the scholarship are required to give back to the Jamica society by engaging in community/volunteer service. The following are recommended places to provide community service:
 - Children's homes
 - Hospitals
 - Churches
 - Aviation organisations
 - Other organisation(s) that provide assistance or a community in need.
- f. Short-listed candidates will be interviewed by a scholarship committee for further assessment and selection for award of an aviation scholarship.
- g. Fee payments for successful applicants under the aviation scholarship programme will be made directly to the aviation training institution and not to awardees.