

EAA CHAPTER 1268 YOUNG EAGLES EAA AIR ACADEMY
2026 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: FEBRUARY 28, 2026

EAA Chapter 1268 sponsors selected Young Eagles to attend the EAA Air Academy in Oshkosh, Wisconsin each summer. Normally two applicants are sponsored, but with financial support from their families, additional Young Eagles may attend. Families are expected to make some financial contribution to the cost of their child's participation at Air Academy. That amount will be determined by the Board of Directors after applications are received and participants are selected. Sponsorship usually covers room, board, tuition and air fare expenses. Total costs per participant usually run from \$2500 to \$3500.

EAA Chapter 1268 has reserved spaces in each of the sessions listed below for potential attendees sponsored by the Chapter. While the Chapter has committed to using two spaces, other Young Eagles may take advantage of the unused reserved positions to attend at their own expense.

In order to assure applicants are fully committed to attending if awarded a scholarship, Chapter 1268 has created this application form. Please complete the form, with applicant and parent/guardian signatures, and return to EAA Chapter 1268, P. O. Box 234, Vineburg, CA 95487, and email a copy to Darrel Jones, wd6bor@vom.com before the deadline listed above. Should a participant decide to not attend after being selected, the participant will be expected to fully reimburse EAA Chapter 1268 for all non-refundable registration and airfare expenses. Do not apply directly to EAA Air Academy as a Chapter 1268 sponsored participant until the local selection process is completed in March.

After receiving the Air Academy participant's application, we will schedule an interview with the applicant and a parent or guardian at Sonoma Skypark. Interviews will be scheduled on a Saturday in February or at a time convenient to the Board of Directors and the applicant and parent or guardian.

We have reserved space in the following Air Academy sessions:

Horizons Camp - Session 1 (Ages 14-15): June 11 - 16, 2026, Thursday, June 11, 2026 12:00 PM - Tuesday, June 16, 2026 12:00 PM

Horizons Camp - Session 2 (Ages 16-18): June 19 - 24, 2026, Friday, June 19, 2026 12:00 AM - Wednesday, June 24, 2026 12:00 PM

Explore Camp (AirVenture 2026 is July 20 – 26) - Session 1 (Ages 14-15): June 27- July 2, 2026, Saturday, June 27, 2026 12:00 PM - Thursday, July 02, 2026 12:00 PM

Explore Camp (AirVenture 2026 is July 20 – 26) - Session 2 (Ages 14-15): July 6 - 11, 2026, Monday, July 06, 2026 12:00 PM - Saturday, July 11, 2026 12:00 PM

Explore Camp (AirVenture 2026 is July 20 – 26) - Session 3 (Ages 16-18): July 14-22, 2026, Tuesday, July 14, 2026 12:00 PM - Wednesday, July 22, 2026 12:00 PM

Explore Camp (AirVenture 2026 is July 20 – 26) - Session 4 (Ages 16-18): July 24 - August 1, 2026, Friday, July 24, 2026 12:00 PM - Saturday, August 01, 2026 12:00 PM

Air Academy participants below a certain age limit determined by the airlines require an additional unaccompanied minor fee if travelling without an adult. The fee for 2015 was \$600 per participant. Should EAA Chapter 1268 select Air Academy participants for which an unaccompanied minor fee applies, the family of the participant will be expected to make arrangements for an adult to accompany the participant or to pay the airline unaccompanied minor fee. Go to the EAA Air Academy website at <https://www.eaa.org/education/air-academy> for additional information about the Air Academy contained in the frequently asked questions.

Please complete this EAA Chapter 1268 application form and return it to EAA Chapter 1268, P.O. Box 234, Vineburg, CA 95487 before the deadline of February 28, 2026 for the applicant to be considered for Chapter 1268 sponsorship. Please also scan and email a copy of this application to Darrel Jones at wd6bor@vom.com.

All applicants selected as a Chapter 1268 scholarship recipient are also required to apply for a national EAA Air Academy Campership scholarship.

PLEASE PRINT:

Name of Young Eagle:

Birthdate/Age of Young Eagle:

Cell phone: _____ :

Email:

EAA student membership number:

Name(s) of Parent /Guardian:

Address of Parent and Child:

Signature of Parent / Guardian:

Cell Phone & Home Phone:

E-mail:

Session(s) requested:

Date: _____, 2026

**PLEASE WRITE A SHORT SUMMARY TELLING WHY
YOU WANT TO ATTEND THE EAA AIR ACADEMY**

Signature of Young Eagle:

WHAT CHAPTER 1268 EXPECTS OF ALL SCHOLARSHIP AWARDEES

All awardees are expected to take their commitment to fulfill all stated scholarship requirements very seriously. Ray Scholars are especially cautioned to stay on track to earn their pilot certificate and reach flight training milestones, as outlined by EAA's training timeline.

All awardees are expected to put the scholarship time requirements ahead of other time demands such as:

- A. Sports
- B. All extracurricular school social activities.
- C. All other social activities

All awardees are expected to give two hours of service per month as volunteers in chapter activities such:

- Young Eagles activities
- Hamburger Saturdays
- Fly-ins
- Chapter build project support.
- Chapter meeting dinners and preparation

Submit regular progress reports, signed off by local chapter and CFI.

Chapter 1268 will play a critical role in helping all awardees to stay on track to meet the requirements of their particular scholarship. The chapter will do so through tutoring and providing access to flight simulators and Sporty's Learn to Fly Course in the case of flight training scholarships such as the Ray Aviation Scholarship.