



**Greater Seattle Chapter
The Ninety-Nines**

Inspiring Women Pilots Since 1929



Nancy K. Jensen Memorial Scholarship 2026

The Greater Seattle Chapter of The Ninety-Nines will award a scholarship in the amount of \$3,000 to a student pilot to be used toward completion of a Private Pilot Certificate.

To be eligible, you must:

1. Be a female resident of Washington, sixteen (16) years of age or older.
2. Be a member of The Ninety-Nines and commit to remaining a member through 2026.
3. Have logged a minimum of six (6) hours flight time.
4. Provide proof of enrollment in or completion of a recognized ground school.
5. Possess current FAA Medical and Student Pilot Certificate.
6. Provide anticipated written exam date or copy of written exam results.

Application Instructions:

1. Complete the application and have your instructor or flight school complete the section below.
2. Attach a copy of your FAA Medical, Student Pilot Certificate, most recent logbook page(s) showing total hours with last date flown, solo endorsement(s) (if attained), and written test results (if taken).
3. Include two (2) letters of recommendation, preferably one personal reference and one from the aviation industry.
4. Submit a one-page essay that addresses all items in Section C of the application.
5. Email your complete application in one PDF file to Hadya Hamed at scholarship.seattle99s@gmail.com with copy to GreaterSeattle99s@gmail.com
6. Application must be received by email no later than **May 1, 2026**.

- The scholarship will be awarded at the chapter meeting on **June 1, 2026**.
- The recipient must complete training for which they are requesting funding within six calendar months from date awarded or seek deferment to 12 months.
- The recipient must submit receipts training expenses for the total amount awarded.
- Funds will be paid in increments directly to the flight school, FBO, or instructor. Proof of training expenses must be provided monthly to the Greater Seattle 99s Treasurer.
- Annual Membership dues can be covered with the scholarship award money.

Judging Criteria:

Application Evaluation Criteria

The scholarship selection committee will review all applications based on the following criteria:

1. Commitment to Aviation:

- Clear demonstration of passion for aviation in the essay.
- Long-term goals that align with a career or active participation in aviation.
- Involvement in aviation-related activities, organizations, or initiatives.

2. Financial Need:

- Explanation of financial circumstances and how the scholarship will support training.
- Demonstrated plan for funding the remaining costs of training.

3. Quality of Essay:

- Well-written, clear, and compelling responses to all required questions.
- Thoughtfulness and sincerity in personal statements.

4. Letters of Recommendation:

- Strength and relevance of the recommendations.
- Insight into the applicant's character, determination, and aviation potential.

5. Flight Training Progress & Preparedness :

- Proof of required flight hours and ground school enrollment.
- Progress toward passing the written exam and flight milestones.

Section A – Personal Information

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip Code: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

How did you hear about this scholarship opportunity?

Section B – Education

High School: _____

Highest Grade Completed (Year): _____

Post-Secondary School: _____

Degree(s)/Certificate(s): _____

Flight School/CFI: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip Code: _____

Section C – Goals and Objectives

Include a separate one-page essay that addresses the following questions:

1. What inspired you to get involved in aviation?
2. What are your long-term aviation goals?
3. Aside from money, what is the greatest challenge to your goals?
4. Indicate financial need and how you will finance the remainder of your training.
5. List any awards, special achievements, activities, leadership roles, etc.

Please have an authorized representative of your flight school or FBO sign below, ensuring funds will only be applied to flight training costs as noted above.

Flight School/FBO/Instructor: _____

Authorized Representative: _____ Title: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Disclaimer to be signed and attached:

Neither the Greater Seattle 99s Chapter of the Ninety-Nines, Inc, the Northwest Section of the Ninety-Nines, Inc., Ninety-Nines Inc. nor their members, agents or representatives are responsible for the quality of any training received with this scholarship, nor for any accident, incident, or any other event which may occur while the recipient of this scholarship is performing flight training or activities relating thereto, and recipient agrees to sign and hold-harmless agreement in favor of the Ninety-Nines, Inc. International Organization of Women Pilots, its Sections and Chapters, upon receipt of the scholarship and before any flight is made.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

To be signed and attached:

My application reflects an honest appraisal of my ability to complete the goal requested herein. My application is complete, true and correct in every respect. I understand that any misrepresentation, concealment, or omission of required information is grounds for disqualification or withdrawal of scholarship or award. I understand that no payment will be made to any Award winner for milestones reached before the scholarship application is received.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

