

## 2017 WMAAA Scholarship Guidelines

**Theme: “Your approach to creating a positive image of aerial application in your community.”**

Essays must be at least 1,500 words and related to the agricultural aviation industry. Topic deviation and/or modification will not be accepted. Papers submitted will be judged on content, theme development, clarity, originality and proper grammar. All sources used must be cited in a bibliography or works cited page. Plagiarism will result in immediate disqualification. Entries must be typewritten and double-spaced.

To ensure the judges will not know the identities of the writer, keep any reference to the author’s name, sponsoring company and company location out of the essay itself. However, a title page must be attached and contain the entrant’s name, address, email address, telephone number, relationship to sponsor, sponsor’s company name, address and telephone number. A photograph of the entrant and short biography should also be provided.

### **The WMAAA Annual Scholarship Essay Contest, DEADLINE JULY 1, 2017:**

The Scholarship is **not restricted** to a “flying career.” Any educational pursuit beyond high school (at any age) is eligible. A \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded for the 1,500 words essay. Topic deviation and/or modification will not be accepted. Papers will be a judged by a blind judging committee. To ensure that the judges do not know the identities of the writer, keep any reference to the author’s name, sponsoring company and company location out of the essay itself. The papers will be judged on content, theme, development, clarity, originality and proper grammar. All sources must be cited. Plagiarism will result in immediate disqualification. Entries must be typewritten and double spaced.

Send to: Lise Foy, 1773 Way Road, Pickens, MS 39146. If you have any questions please feel free to call Lise @ 662-858-0279.

Winner will be notified by phone and letter. Also, the winner will be recognized at the WMAAA 2017 Fall Meeting and the 2018 MAAA Convention. In order for the essay to be forwarded to the National Scholarship Contest, eligible for a \$2,000.00 award, entrants must be an active NAAA member or Allied Industry member. Guidelines are available on the NAAA website, this link will take you right to the site: <http://www.agaviation.org/content/wnaaa> .

***Selected essays will be published on the NAAA website and may be published in Agricultural Aviation magazine, the official publication of NAAA, based on spacing. All essays become the property of the NAAA. The judges’ decision is final. In the event the entries received lack outstanding merit, the NAAA reserves the right not to award the scholarship(s).***

Have a safe and prosperous season!

Lise Foy, WMAAA President