



MID-AMERICA YOUTH AVIATION ASSOCIATION
DBA/KC AVIATION EXPO
SPACE CAMP SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM
PO Box 681118
Kansas City, MO 64150

Dear Scholarship Applicant:

We are delighted that you have chosen to participate in the KC Aviation Expo U.S. Space Camp/Aviation Challenge scholarship program!

In submitting an application, please note the following:

- **Follow all directions carefully.** *An incomplete application will result in disqualification.* Three letters of recommendation from people other than relatives are required and must accompany your completed scholarship application.
- Apply to any weeklong, age-appropriate Space Camp or Aviation Challenge program.
- Apply in **one** category only. Academic Achievement does not require enrollment in a gifted program.
- **ALL** components of your application must be returned at the same time and must be postmarked no later than 12:00 midnight on May 31st each year. Faxed applications will not be accepted. You may download and print additional copies of the application at our website www.kcairshow.com. All pages should be 8¹/₂"x11" except national or state standardized test scores, etc., that may be larger. Please attach the pages of your application with no more than one paper clip or staple, as we must photocopy them.
- Mail your completed application via regular mail to:
KC Aviation Expo
Attn: Space Camp Scholarship
PO Box 681118
Kansas City, MO 64150
- **The Scholarships cover transportation from Kansas City, Missouri, program tuition, meals, flight suits and lodging only.** *Scholarships do not cover other incidentals.*
- **The Scholarships are available for the 8-day , Space Camp and Advanced Space Camp ONLY.**

We will acknowledge receipt of your application and let you know that it is being processed. **ALL** applicants will be notified of the results no later than **July 31st each year.** **Please refrain from phone calls and emails concerning the status of your application.** If you have other questions, you may e-mail the Scholarship Office at kcairshow.com.

Thank you for your interest in our programs. We look forward to receiving your application.

Sincerely,

Scholarship Coordinator



Mid-America Youth Aviation Association Space Camp Scholarship Application Form

Application Deadline: May 31 each year

Incomplete applications will not be considered. Previous full scholarship recipients are not eligible to apply.

Name: _____
Last First Middle

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: (_____) Parent/Guardian: _____

Gender: _____ Date of Birth: _____ / _____ / _____ Age: _____

Check the program for which you are applying:

- 7 Day/6 Night SPACE ACADEMY® (Ages 12-14)
- 7 Day/6 Night ADVANCED SPACE ACADEMY® (Ages 15-18)

Please note: All pages included with the scholarship application should be 8 1/2" x 11", except copies of national or state standardized test scores, etc., that may be larger.

Please staple or paper clip all pages only once. DO NOT BIND APPLICATION. We will make all necessary copies of scholarship application.

You must submit the following items:

1. Scholarship Application Form
2. Three letters of recommendation from people not related to you. (Examples: Teachers, principals, community leaders, neighbors)
3. A written essay demonstrating a desire for knowledge and hold a yearning to learn through the experiences of Space Camp programs
4. Patch Design & Explanation
5. Science Project Description
6. Essay Question

For SPACE ACADEMY® Program Applications
SPACE ACADEMY® (Ages 12-14)

SPACE ACADEMY® (Ages 12-14) (5-6 paragraphs):

In August of 2006, the International Astronomical Society changed the status of Pluto from a planet to a dwarf planet. Do you agree or disagree with this decision? Why? Answer on separate sheet of paper.

PATCH DESIGN

Students of all ages from around the world attend Space Camp programs every year. Similar to space and aviation crews, each trainee brings his/her strengths/weaknesses, talents, abilities, interests and achievements to the program. It has been a tradition in the space/aviation program for each crew to design a mission patch which represents the crew members individually, as well as collectively, in a way that also portrays the mission objectives.

As a part of this application process, we would like for you to design a patch (must fit on 8-1/2" X 11" paper). Your patch should portray your talents, school and community activities in which you are involved, awards/ honors you may have received, as well as any events in your life that have had an impact on family, school and or other activities. The artistic design of the patch will not be a determining factor in scholarship selection, but, rather, the way the applicant is able to introduce himself/herself to us. Please attach a description of the patch (no longer than one page) that includes explanations of symbols, colors, lettering, etc. Applicants may use computer technology to aid in patch design, but, again, the medium chosen for the design will not be a determining factor in the scholarship selection. In addition, each applicant must sign the following statement ensuring that the patch design is the work of the applicant.

I, _____, state that the patch design I am submitting is my own work.

Applicant's Signature

For information on aviation/space mission patches, check this website:
<http://genedorr.com/patches/Intro.html>

SCIENCE PROJECTS

Explain in detail, one science project in which you have participated during the past two years. (include steps of the scientific process). If you have not participated in any science projects to date, think of a science project that you could perform and describe it on a separate sheet of paper.

For ADVANCED SPACE ACADEMY® Program Applications
ADVANCED SPACE ACADEMY® (Ages 15-18)

ADVANCED SPACE ACADEMY® (Ages 15-18) (300 words):

With NASA's focus on Moon, Mars, and Beyond, can the International Space Station remain a relevant part of the United States space program? Why or why not? Answer on a separate sheet of paper.

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OFFICIAL RULES

MID-AMERICA YOUTH AVIATION ASSOCIATION (MAYAA) SPACE CAMP SCHOLARSHIP (“SCHOLARSHIP”)

1. The Scholarship is subject to all applicable federal and state laws and regulations.
2. The Scholarship applications end on May 31st..
3. Participation is open to only those individuals who will be of the ages of twelve (12) through eighteen (18) at the time of attendance at the U.S. Space & Rocket Center[®] (“Space Camp[®]”) operated by Alabama Space Science Exhibit Commission d/b/a U. S. Space & Rocket Center (“USSRC”). Attendance at the Space Camp must be completed by August 26 of the following year.
4. To enter, complete the Scholarship Application Form and return to MAYAA Space Camp Scholarship at PO Box 681118, Kansas City, MO 64150. Only one entry per individual is permitted. Entries must be postmarked by midnight on May 31st. By entering, participants agree to be bound by these Official Rules and the requirements of USSRC. Decisions of the MAYAA Scholarship Committee shall be final and binding.
5. Recipient of the Scholarship will be contacted by July 31st by the MAYAA Scholarship Committee.
6. The individual whose name is selected will be awarded the following prize (provided there is full compliance with the Official Scholarship Rules): (a) admission to the Space Camp, (b) food and lodging as provided by the Space Camp, (c) round trip airline transportation (coach) from Kansas City, Missouri, (d) round trip ground transportation between the Huntsville International Airport, Huntsville, Alabama airport and the Space Camp.
7. Proof satisfactory to MAYAA and USSRC of the age of Recipient and of legal guardianship must be presented to claim the Scholarship. Decisions MAYAA and USSRC are final and binding.
8. The legal guardian of the Recipient, on his/her behalf and on behalf of the Recipient, must, as a condition of being awarded the Scholarship, execute the Scholarship Agreement and Release attached hereto as Attachment A.
9. Recipient and the Recipient’s legal guardian must comply with and abide by all Space Camp rules and regulations.
10. Recipient must make arrangements with Space Camp for dates of attendance. Arrangements must be made with MAYAA for airline transportation and ground transportation.
11. Recipient’s legal guardian agrees to notify MAYAA no later than July 31st if it appears Recipient will not be able to attend and complete Space Camp by August 26, of the following year. The time period to attend Space Camp will not be extended beyond August 26 of the following year.
12. MAYAA Board of Directors and their immediate family members are not eligible to participate.
13. The Scholarship is not transferable, assignable or refundable. No cash or prize substitutions will be given.
14. MAYAA Board of Directors and their agents, employees, officers, directors, members, elected and appointed officials, and volunteers have no affiliation with Space Camp or USSRC and nothing herein shall be construed as creating a joint venture between said parties.