



Luke Hammer Memorial Youth Soaring Camp Scholarship

Flight Experience for Youth (FEFY) is a 501c3 organization dedicated to creating growth opportunities for youth through aviation experiences. FEFY offers unique scholarships to Sugarbush Soaring's Overnight Youth Soaring Camp¹ in beautiful Warren, Vermont. The YSC is a week-long flight training experience that includes ten flights, meals, ground school, supervised overnight camping on the airfield and other fun activities. Instructional flights are conducted by our highly experienced, FAA-certificated flight instructors in our two-place gliders.

Last year, FEFY was able to provide \$11,200 in camp scholarships. This year, FEFY will be doing the same. This includes a special scholarship opportunity for Vermont youth ages 13-18 to participate in one of the 2023 Youth Soaring Camps. Luke Hammer was the recipient of the 2011 YSC scholarship. He enjoyed the soaring camp so much that he joined the SSA Line Crew. He excelled at flying and served as Line Crew Chief from 2012-2014. Luke passed away unexpectedly in 2014. Luke's family and friends created this scholarship to honor Luke's life and open up similar opportunities for Vermont youth.

Successful candidates must have a strong interest in aviation and Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM). No prior flight experience is needed. The scholarship will cover the full cost of tuition (a value of \$3,600). Depending on need, FEFY may also be able to assist with transportation to Warren, Vermont.



Dates for the 2023 camps will be:

- Camp #1: July 9 – July 15
- Camp #2: July 30 –August 5

To apply:

1. Complete this online form: <https://forms.gle/hLST21HovWSTPC6T8>
2. Email fefy-scholarships@sugarbushsoaring.com to request the application questionnaire.
3. If you need an alternate method of application (e.g., video or phone interview) due to extenuating circumstances (examples include lack of internet or computer access, learning disabilities or lack of resources), please contact Tom Anderson, Director of Operations at opsdir@sugarbushsoaring.com.
4. Email a letter of recommendation from a teacher or mentor (outside of Sugarbush Soaring) to fefy-scholarships@sugarbushsoaring.com. The letter should be 1-page in length and describe how the mentor knows the applicant, why the mentor thinks the applicant would enjoy the YSC and what the mentor thinks the applicant would bring to the YSC.

The 2023 YSC scholarship application period will run from **February 1 to March 15, 2023**. The scholarship will be awarded by March 31, 2023. All applicants will receive emails confirming receipt of the application and telling them whether they received the scholarship.

¹ Website: <https://sugarbushsoaring.com/youth-programs/youth-soaring-camps>

Eligibility requirements:

- Submission of the completed application by March 15, 2023
- Resident of the State of Vermont, ages 13-18
- Availability (must be able to attend at least one of the camps during the dates above)
- Due to restrictions on the amount of weight our aircraft can safely carry (based on FAA regulations), we can only accommodate campers that weigh 242 lbs or less).

Questions? Please contact us at fey-scholarships@sugarbushsoaring.com