24 Applications: Brian Hill

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Brian Hill

Linked School

Pittsburgh Institute of Aeronautics - Hagerstown

Complete Recommendations

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Applicant Type

Student

In what year of school are you currently enrolled?

A&P Year 2

Which award are you applying for (check all that apply):

Aviation Workforce Solutions \$1,500 Scholarship, ARCS Aviation \$1,000 Scholarship, Aeronautical Repair Station Association \$1,000 Scholarship, Aviation Supplies & Academics, Inc. \$1,000 Scholarship, Aviation Supplies & Academics, Inc. A&P Textbook & eBook Set, Snap-on Toolbox, Sonic Tools Intermediate Aviation Toolset, Avotek Aviation Maintenance Textbooks, Avotek Avionics Textbooks, Aircraft Technical Book Company General Familiarization Course and Certification, ASTM/NCATT Aircraft Electronics Technician Certification Exam, CertTEC Basic Composites Certification Exam, CertTEC Aviation Structures Certification, NRF FAA Test Fees Grant Award

Click here for scholarship and award descriptions.

Is your institution an ATEC member?

Yes

Verify Institution's membership here.

Essays (300 word minimum per question)

Explain why you are deserving of the award and how it would impact your future goals and ambitions.

I have worked hard since a very young age. I grew up on a 3rd generation farm which offered me priceless teaching tools that most don't get to experience, and I would not trade that for anything. I had chores since I was about 6 years old, participated in 4-H from age 8 – 16 caring for and showing dairy calves, cows and beef animals, operated equipment, assisted with field work during harvesting season, and spent many hours in the shop on weekends and as soon as I got home from school or sports until things were done. It was not uncommon for our family to eat dinner late, and after that, I would get started on my homework.

While everyone in my family learned most aspects of operating our business, we each had our own special niche – and mine was in the shop. My skill set of assessing problems and repairing equipment became evident early on and I became the go-to person to resolve any mechanical problems. I regularly serviced and maintained our farm equipment (feed carts, lawn mowers, skid loaders, farm vehicles, etc.), and I was involved each time we split two different tractors and made repairs to keep our expenses down. Plus, on my own time, it was not uncommon for my brother and I to be in the shop tinkering with our "toys" (trucks, cars, quads, side by sides, snowmobiles, and a homemade go-cart).

Also, I regularly mowed lawns for our family, our farm, and our church for many years, plus I was a relief farmhand for our neighbor's farm. During my Junior and Senior years, I worked every day after school in the electromechanical field as a Service Technician for a lawn and farm equipment business, which correlated well with my goal of the A & P certification. I moved to Maryland one month prior to starting school, so I worked full time in a new job at AutoZone. Once the fall semester started, I went to part-time so that I can focus on my education. Recently, I have been offered a promotion as a part-time Manager at AutoZone, and they are still willing to be flexible with my hours so that I have adequate time for studying when I have tests coming up.

These responsibilities at a young age developed my inherent mechanical interests, taught me strong work ethics, broadened my range of knowledge and capabilities, and honed my common sense. All of this cultivated my desire to pursue a career working with my hands, using my troubleshooting skills, and learning new things. Plus, my education in the engineering curriculum track in high school and my training & hands-on assignments in the areas of mechanics, hydraulics, electricity, and robotics in the CTC two-year program, taught by an outstanding instructor, have certainly contributed and prepared me for a career path in aviation maintenance.

I expect the travel and cargo industry will be around for the long haul, so this gives me confidence in my job security in a time where there are many uncertainties in business. There are continual advances in technology, so I will need to be current and advance my skills to maintain the high standard that is expected -- so there is only one option but to be exceptional at my job. Working in the aviation industry would give me great job satisfaction because I believe it will regularly stimulate and challenge my mind, tap into my skills, and give me the drive to take pride in my work -- especially knowing it will impact the safety of others.

I graduated Magna Cum Laude from high school, had superior grades at the Lebanon County Career & Technology Center's (CTC) two-year Electromechanical Engineering Technology program, and I currently have a 4.0 after my first semester at Pittsburgh Institute of Aeronautics. Receiving assistance with my college expenses would feel like a reward for my hard work over the years, especially since the agriculture industry is a very modest living. God always provided for our needs, and any wants that my brother and I had were paid with the money from our side jobs. I think we learned to appreciate what we had and valued the dollar more, instead of wishing for the latest and greatest of everything and wasting our money.

Before enrolling at Pittsburgh Institute of Aeronautics, it was my personal ambition to pay for my college education and living expenses on my own in order not to burden my parents. If possible, I was determined to not take out any loans, and it is my plan to start my career debt free. My parents are again down to one income because about two years ago my mom decided to leave her job after 10 years to care for her mother who has dementia. Therefore, I put my paychecks into savings for almost two years from my service technician job and other side jobs to have a cushion in case my job during college wasn't enough to pay for my living expenses, books, and tuition balance (after Pell Grants and scholarships). I originally signed a lease for a room at an airbnb for my entire schooling (Aug 2023 - Dec 2024) -- however last week, I received notice that my landlord has decided to sell the house, so I need to move by March 10, 2024. I am finding out the cost of rent has now doubled in the last 6 months, plus utilities are not included anymore. So, it would be incredible to still achieve my original goal if I am selected for scholarship money so that my savings can stretch further for my increased monthly expenses due to this unexpected circumstance with my living arrangements.

Describe your involvement in school, the community, and/or extracurricular activities as evidence of your commitment to the field of aviation.

It was important to my parents for my brother and I to attend a private Christian school, so my mom left the farm to work there for 10 years, which reduced our tuition by 90% making it affordable. In my freshman year of high school, I knew that, during my Junior and Senior years, I wanted to participate in the local CTC Electromechanical Engineering Technology program, which is an accredited, state-of-the-art technical training vocational facility. Because public schools get first choice into CTC programs over private schools, I decided to leave my friends and the private school that I had attended since Pre-K and transfer to public school. I was determined this would ensure my chances of getting into the CTC program I wanted. This move also offered new opportunities to select engineering courses, which were not available at my private school. This pivotal decision paid off because this specific CTC program did, in fact, fill up and was, therefore, closed to private students. (Those students that were turned away had to choose either another (unrelated) program or not attend CTC at all. If I had stayed at my Christian school, I very well could be on a different career track right now.) Fortunately, my grades secured my selection by my public school into the program. This program was the perfect fit for my abilities and interests, so I was looking forward to CTC taking my skill set to the next level and this extra commitment would put me on the right career path into the field of aviation.

In my spare time, I enjoy four-wheeling, helping friends with repairs needed on their vehicles, watching friends compete in demolition derbies and tractor pulls, hunting, and line dancing with friends every Sunday. But in the last two years or so, I have really focused on my passion and aspirations of becoming an aircraft maintenance technician. I've done everything I can think of to grow my knowledge by enrolling in the CTC two-year program, working part-time in the electromechanical field, regularly challenging and improving my mechanical expertise in our shop, and soaking up whatever I can by reading and researching the aviation field.

Describe an accomplishment you are particularly proud of.

Even though I knew early on that I did not want to be a 4th generation farmer, I am proud that I grew up on a farm. I'm thankful for everything it has taught me, which I know will be valuable going forward through the A & P program and into my aviation career.

In addition to almost a decade of shop experience on our farm, I was very fortunate to enroll in the Career & Technology Center program. I was required to schedule my core courses in one half of my school day and traveled to CTC every day for the other half of the day to attend its two-year program which provided excellent hands-on training in the areas of mechanics, hydraulics, electricity, and robotics. My instructor was outstanding -- he always stressed safety as our No. 1 priority and prepared me well for my career path in aviation.

While attending this tech program, both years I was selected to represent our CTC to compete at Skills USA Mechatronics competition (along with another classmate as my partner). We were awarded the Silver medal at states and Bronze at districts, which I give credit to my instructor again. His style of teaching was a great for me, and he not only taught me engineering principles and technical skills in both the mechanical and electrical fields that I will apply in the aviation industry, but he has also been a mentor who prepared me with many other life lessons along the way. I'm also appreciative of my awards, achievements, and scholarships, which show that I am hardworking, passionate and capable.

- Graduated Magna Cum Laude
- Outstanding Electromechanical Engineering Technology CTC Student Award
- · CTC Rotary Student of the Month
- NOCTI Scores: 100 Performance Psychomotor; 89.5 Written Cognitive (highest score in program)
- Silver Medalist at PA Skills USA State Mechatronics Competition
- Bronze Medalist at PA Skills USA District Mechatronics Competition
- Industrial Technology Education Department Northern Lebanon High School Award
- Scott & Hoffnagle Scholarship (\$5,000)
- Lockheed Martin Vocational Scholarship (\$5,000)
- Pittsburgh Institute of Aeronautics Matching Scholarship (\$1,000)
- PIA's Dean's List: 4.0 First Semester

Looking back, I am proud of my work ethics, my discipline with my education resulting in excellent grades and honors, my performance at the CTC mechatronics competitions, and my willpower to go the extra mile to achieve my desired career path. I believe my steadfastness has made a difference in positioning myself well to accomplish my goals for a great future in the world of aviation.

Documentation

Transcript (or proof of current enrollment for new students)

PIA Acceptance Letter Fall 2023 Start.docx

I have completed and passed the FAA General Examination

No

Did you qualify for a pell grant?

Yes

What is your most recent GPA?

4.00

I certify that all information given is correct and authorize release of it to the award review committee.

certify

By typing your name below, this will act as your electronic signature:

Brian Hill

Average Reviewer Score - School

Average Reviewer Score - Student / Instructor

Total Reviewer Score - School (ADMIN TO FILL OUT)

Total Reviewer Score - Student / Instructor (ADMIN TO FILL OUT)

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PIA Acceptance Letter Fall 2023 Start.docx



May 31, 2023

Brian Hill 1927 Mount Zion Road Lebanon, PA 17046

Dear Brian Hill,

Congratulations! After completing all of the necessary documentation, you have been unconditionally accepted into the Aviation Maintenance Technology certificate program at the Pittsburgh Institute of Aeronautics – Hagerstown campus beginning in **August 2023.**

If you have any further questions, feel free to contact PIA's Admissions Office at 240-347-4805 ext. 2305. Business hours are Monday through Friday from 9:00am to 4:00pm.

Sincerely,

Roxanne Ober

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Director of Admissions and Outreach

Profile: Brian Hill

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Last Name

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Select Your School

Pittsburgh Institute of Aeronautics - Hagerstown

School Address

14516 Pennsylvania Avenue

School City

Hagerstown

School State

Pennsylvania

School Zip

21742

School - No Longer Used

Recommendations: Jim

Name	Attachments
Jim	Yes
Nicole	Yes
Ellis	Yes
Justin	Yes

Link to Recommendation Requests

James

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First Name

Jim

Last Name

Hoffer

Name of applicant

Brian Hill

Relationship to Applicant

Former Student

Recommendation Letter

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Any Additional Comments

Recommendations: Jim File Attachments

Recommendation Letter

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To Whom it may Concern;

I have known Brian Hill for approximately four years. He has been a student within several of my high school technical courses entitled *Applied Technology*, *Introduction to Technical Design*, *Computer Aided Drafting & Design*, and *Entrepreneurship*.

While working toward credit for these above-mentioned classes, Brian has completed a broad range of coursework and demonstrated proficiency in the technical areas of mechanical drawing, 3D solid modeling, architectural drawing, and engineering design.

In addition to technical competency, Brian has been regarded as a sincere and dependable student member of our department. Brian has consistently proven to be reliable, trustworthy, and an all-around "stand-up" student. In consideration of this, the faculty selected Brian as the recipient of our 2023 Northern Lebanon High School Applied Technology Department Award.

As a result of my experiences and interactions with Brian, I know him to be intelligent, personable, and technically competent. Therefore, I would gladly recommend him for placement with your organization and do so without reservation. If you would like additional information, I may be contacted at (717) 865-2117 or via e-mail at (ihoffer@norleb.k12.pa.us).

Sincerely,

Jim Hoffer

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Recommendations: Nicole

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First Name

Nicole

Last Name

Mullen

Name of applicant

Brian Hill

Relationship to Applicant

Friend/ Neighbor

Recommendation Letter

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Any Additional Comments

I am pleased to write a letter of recommendation for Brian. He is a good guy and deserves this scholarship to further his education and pursue his dream job.

Recommendations: Nicole File Attachments

Recommendation Letter

Brian Hill.docx

To whom it may concern,

I am writing this letter to recommend Brian Hill for the Aerospace scholarship. Brian Hill has been my neighbor/ friend/ employee for 4 years. My family rents his family's dairy farm next door to his home.

Brian had worked for us from the time we moved to the farm until he left for college. He was a very big help to us not only with milking cows but also with helping to fix things around the farm. Brian also helped my children many of times with school work and projects.

Brian is a very intelligent young man, whether it be with numbers, or electrical or mechanical things Brian is one we could ask for help. Brian still helps, when he comes home from college, to help on the farm. My kids also will message him for help with harder math problems as well.

I am very proud of Brian for pursuing his dream of working on air craft's. He strives to do his best at everything he does. I cannot wait to see where his future takes him.

I believe Brian is a great and well deserving candidate for this scholarship.

Thank you for your time

Nicole Mullen

484-824-8325

Recommendations: Ellis

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Recommendations: Ellis File Attachments

Recommendation Letter

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BHM Farm Equipment, Inc.



683 Route 934 North, Annville, PA 17003 (717) 867-2211 Fax (717) 867-2138

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February 12, 2024

To whom it may concern:

I am pleased to recommend Brian Hill for consideration of your scholarship award. Brian had been a valuable employee for us. He showed up for work on time and worked hard the entire time he was on the clock. He was willing to learn and had adapted well to correction. His aptitude for equipment assembly and repair had also made instructing him very easy. He is responsible, dependable and has a great attitude. It had been a privilege to have him as an employee and team member.

We encourage you to consider Brian as a worthy recipient of your scholarship award.

Respectfully,

Ellis C. Meyer
Ellis C. Meyer

President

Recommendations: Justin

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First Name

Justin

Last Name

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Name of applicant

Brian Hill

Relationship to Applicant

Former Instructor

Recommendation Letter

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Any Additional Comments

Recommendations: Justin File Attachments

Recommendation Letter

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To Whom it May Concern,

It is with great privilege that I write this letter of recommendation regarding Brian Hill who is currently attending Pittsburgh Institute of Aeronautics. Being a career and technology educator provides me with the advantage of seeing a student's academic and practical work ethic. Brian excels in both areas. Each assignment he completed demonstrated his ability to learn and fully comprehend the content presented to him. His work exudes understanding and dedication. If there is a topic he does not fully understand, Brian sought assistance, worked harder, and if necessary, found avenues outside of the methods delivered to better understand the content.

Brian was present and punctual in daily attendance. He always inquired about missed assignments or content if he was absent. His work ethic was unmatched amongst his peers. Brian was a model student during his time in my program. I have great respect for his abilities and know he is a deserving candidate of your scholarship.

Brian's strength is his integrity. He is responsible, makes sound decisions, and holds himself in high regard. Brian is a person who can be trusted and counted on to successfully bring any task to fruition. He takes a great deal of pride in all the work that he does. During his time in my program, he held a part time job working in an agricultural equipment shop. He managed his time flawlessly, never missing an assignment, always being prepared, and giving the same high-quality effort each day. During this time, he also worked on his family's dairy farm. In the two years he has been in my program, I have not seen a weakness in him. This is not to say that he does not have one, he just never displayed what it may be to me.

I started the Electromechanical Engineering program and in my nine years as the instructor I submit that Brian is one of the top students that have come through my program. Brian comes from a humble background, with a family that works very hard to earn a living. They have instilled this same quality in him. His personality, drive, and intellectual ability will allow him to meet and exceed any challenge that he encounters. I cannot think of anyone more deserving, and I can wholeheartedly recommend him and his application. I strongly encourage you to consider Brian for this scholarship. Any institution or committee would be proud to have him representing their interest by receiving their generous support.

Sincerely,

Justin T. Breen

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Electromechanical Engineering Technology Instructor

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