

2021 Jasper Harris, Jr. Aviation Scholarship



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I believe in the Red-Tailed Hawks Flying Clubs (RTH) mission, and I am grateful that I am given the opportunity to serve, and exemplify that mission. The RTH mission is to give youth opportunities, in aviation, they would not normally have and to promote STEM learning through aviation. I have been a recipient of various opportunities from the RTH in

the past, and am proud be an ambassador for the RTH. I am an active student member of RTH for over a year, and in that time I have learned many things about aviation, as well as about the RTH organization and their mission. I now volunteer and serve the RTH at RTH aviation camps and flyins, and I believe that I am contributing to that mission.

Jasper Harris Jr. was a pioneer in aviation, and pursued a career at Boeing during a time when that was not common for African-Americans. Because of his contributions to the aviation industry I can now pursue a career in aviation without the pressures of racial tension. I have been working hard towards my private pilot license over the last year, which is the first step towards my career as a pilot. Although Jasper Harris Jr.'s career focused more on the engineering side of aviation, I hope to honor his legacy by continuing my education through college, and working hard to pursue a career as a pilot.

I believe this scholarship will help to pursue that career, and with my dedication and commitment to aviation, I know, it will not go to waste. I will continue to focus on what is ahead, and will exemplify the RTH mission throughout my life.

