

Rolls-Royce Spirit of Excellence Award

Two awards of \$5,000 each (or combination not to exceed \$10,000)

Rolls-Royce Background Information

In 1906, a largely self-taught engineer named Henry Royce and a well-schooled businessman named Charles Rolls, founded Rolls-Royce Limited. Their mission was clear: to produce engines for use on land, water or in the air. That same year, the company opened its first US office in New York. Since then, Rolls Royce has become the world-leading provider of power systems for four major industries: civil aerospace, defense aerospace, marine, and energy systems. They are a leading industry supplier in the US with a significant and growing presence.

Raisbeck Aviation High School is fortunate to have a strong partnership with Rolls-Royce, including their local office in Everett, WA. The company made a significant contribution to help us build our new school at the Museum of Flight. In addition, Rolls-Royce sponsors the annual **Spirit of Excellence Scholarship** named for the company's passion in demonstrating a pursuit of excellence. This passion is epitomized in Henry Royce's famous phrase "Strive for perfection in everything you do. Take the best that exists and make it better. When it does not exist, design it."

Beginning with the 2011-2012 school year, Rolls-Royce has generously awarded the **Spirit of Excellence** scholarship to two Raisbeck Aviation High School seniors who aspire to a university degree in science, technology, engineering or a related field. Each recipient will receive \$5,000 towards their college degree. Recipients will be recognized during the First Semester Awards Assembly in February. Each year, recipients' names are engraved on the fan blade of a Trent 1000 engine, manufactured exclusively for Raisbeck Aviation High School by Rolls-Royce, that is proudly displayed in the lobby of our school.

<u>Criteria</u>

The recipients of the Rolls-Royce Spirit of Excellence Award will be students who meet the following criteria:

- Academic passion that includes Advanced Placement classes as well as courses in engineering, computer skills, or upper level science and math courses
- Active involvement in school activities with an emphasis on citizenship, leadership, creating a positive social culture, and alignment with established school traditions
- Community service that makes a positive impact on the school and/or community and that reflects your passions
- > Desire to continue the legacy of Rolls Royce which is to strive for perfection in all you do

Your essay should be a minimum of 500 words. Please address the above criteria and any additional qualifications or experiences that make you a top candidate for the Rolls-Royce Spirit of Excellence Award. In addition, please seek the **endorsement** of two RAHS teachers who can attest to your qualifications. Please ask these two teachers to sign your essay before submitting a **hard copy** to Ms. Carper. Please also submit an electronic copy of your essay to both Ms. Carper and Mrs. Tipton.

Due Date: Thursday, December 14, 2018 by 4:00 p.m.