

Wings Over America Scholar

Ryan Longley

Pensacola, FL

Pensacola High School

High School GPA: 4.87

University of Florida

Major: Enigneering

Activities:

- Varsity Swim Team, Captain
- Engineering Team, President
- Ultimate Frisbee Team, Co-President
- National Honor Society
- Science Olympiad Competition
- Volunteer: Chain Reaction Teen Volunteer Group, Eagle Scout, Assistant Swim Team Coach, Leadership Pensacola (Chamber of Commerce).
- Part-Time/Summer Lifeguard with Santa Rose Island Authority



Receiving this award is such an honor to me and my family. Growing up in the presence of three generations of Naval Officers, and two generations of Naval Aviators has allowed me to truly develop an appreciation for the dedication to the craft of aviation. I intend to give an equal level of dedication to my studies and hope to work with and in the aviation world in my career. I am so appreciative of the investment that Wings Over America has made in me, and the advancement of my degree in engineering. My hope is that I will be able to develop and thrive in this field, and potentially advance aspects of the aviation industry. I believe that it would be incredible to be on the other side of the stick from my father and his father before him, and would provide an excellent point of connection between us. This scholarship will help to allow me to pursue this dream at the University of Florida, and I am incredibly thankful for the support this scholarship will provide.