



First Command Educational Foundation Scholar

Griffin Schager

Virginia Beach, Virginia

Sponsor: CAPT Louis Schager Jr

College: Virginia Tech

2024-2025: Senior

Major: Investment Management & Chartered Financial
Analyst

Academic & Extracurricular Highlights:

- VT Intramurals: Soccer, Basketball & Flag Football
- Beach FC Youth Soccer Coach
- Center Club Inc. Brother (Civic & Social Club)
- President and Founder of Children's Hospital Fundraising Team
- Volunteer for Habitat for Humanity



I am truly grateful and honored to have been selected for this year's Wings Over America Foundation Scholarship. Not only does this award ease the financial burden of college, but it also symbolizes validation for my hard work and dedication. Following my dad's 27-year commitment as a Navy pilot, I feel honored and blessed to represent the naval aviation community. Growing up in a military family, I have been instilled with a deep appreciation for our country and a profound respect for the sacrifices made by our armed forces. During my time at Virginia Tech, I developed an interest in investment management and the world of business.

After receiving this scholarship, I feel an intrinsic obligation to pay it forward by seizing every opportunity available to me, maintaining excellence in my pursuit of a career in finance. Wings Over America has made my aspirations possible, opening doors that provide invaluable opportunities for growth and advancement. I am sincerely grateful to the Wings Over America Scholarship Foundation and its donors for their support as I continue my education, striving towards future achievements.