

# AIR FORCE JUNIOR ROTC

## Flight Academy 2018: First Year Results Fact Sheet

The Flight Academy is a Private Pilot Certification (PPC) Scholarship designed to meet CSAF's direction to:

- 1) Return the "Luster" of aviation to high school students
- 2) Increase aviation diversity in the Under Represented Groups (URG). This effort addresses military and industry national pilot shortages. Students selected have an opportunity to earn college credit and & PPC.

### APPLICANTS

Total number of boarded applicants: 621

URG: 339 (55%)

Title 1 Applicants: 235 (38%)

### ATTENDEES

Cadets selected and attended: 120

URG: 48 (40%)

Title 1 Selects: 35 (29%)

### PROGRAM RESULTS

Earned PPC: 71% (85/120)

URG: 65% (31/48)

Title 1: 77% (27/35)

FAA Written Exam: 97% (116/120)

Soloed: 93% (111/120)

### OVERALL RESULTS: TOTAL PPC: 83% (91/110)

Accounts for 6 cadets (2 in Title 1 schools) completing post-Flight Academy & 10 cadets (4 in URG) not completing due to weather and maintenance delays.

### SELECT'S ACADEMIC PROFILE

Avg HS GPA: 3.6

Avg ACT score: 28

Avg SAT score: 1292

Note: Figures based on scores reported by 58% of Flight Academy participants who have taken the tests.

\*Cadets interested in an aviation career: 63% (pre-Flight Academy); 75% (post-Flight Academy)

\*Cadets interested in pursuing service academy appointment/ROTC scholarship: 42%

\*College major interest – STEM focused: 38%

\*Cadets interested in military service: 53%

### IMPACT

Bottom Line: This program answers the Chief's call to get youth excited about aviation, and is the "BOLD" action he's looking for to increase pilot diversity. Simply put, there is no better return on investment than the Air Force's own youth education program where 120,000 cadets (58% minority & 40% Female) wear an AF uniform weekly. Continuation of this initiative is tied to funding, manning, and continued Senior Leader support.