

# AFJROTC Flight Academy 2019

CSAF Private Pilot Scholarship Program

# Background/Overview

- Air Force is funding scholarships for ~ **250 AFJROTC cadets** to attend private pilot training at public/private universities during the summer of 2019.
  - Current host institutions are Auburn University (AL), Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University (FL), Liberty University (VA), Kansas State Polytechnic University (KS), Purdue University (IN) and the University of North Dakota (ND).
- Scholarship will be awarded to **highly competitive** cadets who are **interested in aviation careers**.
  - Last year, 621 applicants from 282 schools (120 selected).
- The scholarship will **pay for transportation, room and board, academics, and flight hours** required to potentially earn a Private Pilot's License.
  - Scholarship valued at ~\$20,000
- **In-residence program, ~ 8 weeks** in length.
  - Cadets will be engaged in an **intensive academic, flying training program** and may have classes or flying training during weekend hours.
  - Each university hosting students is an independent organization and provides its own management and oversight for students and programs.
  - Student's **success** of completion of their Private Pilot's License is **singularly dependent on each student's academic and flying ability** and the **university's determination and judgment** to recommend a student.

# Purpose

- Provide an opportunity for selected cadets to earn their Private Pilot License (PPL) while simultaneously increasing an interest in aviation.
- The program goal is to leverage the diverse AFJROTC cadet population to **help address the predicted need of 6,000 – 8,000 pilots per year for the next 20 years across the military and industry.**
- highlight a career pathway that may have otherwise been unthinkable.

# Benefit

- In addition to earning their FAA Private Pilot License, cadets will earn college credit.
  - The number of credit hours earned varies by host institution. Currently credit hours earned range from 5 to 12 credit hours.

# Who May Apply

- Sophomore, Junior & Senior AFJROTC Cadets
- **Must:**
  - Be at least **16 yrs old by 1 Jun** in the year you desire to attend the FA.
  - Possess a current (within first 45 days of school) AFJROTC Presidential physical fitness assessment score.
  - Have a **cumulative grade point average (CGPA) of 3.0 or above (on a 4.0 scale)**
  - Obtain a **standardized test score on the Aviation Qualification Test (AQT)**.
  - Be **endorsed by their SASI and Principal or High School Counselor**.
  - Not currently hold a private pilot's license.
- Applicants must be AFJROTC cadets who understand they are volunteering for a scholarship to a public/private university.
  - **NO military service commitment or obligation**, nor does program completion justify acceptance to military service.
  - Cadets who successfully complete the program and receive their Private Pilot's License will be **required to join the Civil Air Patrol (CAP)** and may continue flying a minimum of once per month and with a CAP instructor quarterly (no costs).

# Application Process

- **Complete PDF application** and have parental/legal guardian signed approval.
- Cadets must **complete an online aviation qualification (AQT) test** comprised of 5 sub-tests, which includes the following: **1) math, 2) table reading, 3) aviation information, 4) instrument comprehension, and 5) weight perception.**
- Cadets must have a current PFT score, and endorsements from the SASI and principal or counselor.
- Lastly, applicants must have a “strong” interest in aviation and a “never-quit” attitude.

# Selection Board

- The selection process will be a quantitative board based on answers and inputs to the application.
- An applicant's score will be comprised of 5 parts: **the AQT, endorsements, physical fitness, general experiences and aviation experiences.** These 5 parts will be weighted to comprise an overall score based on a 100-point scale.
  - Weighting is as follows: **aviation qualification test = 45%, endorsements are weighted at 25%, and 10% each for all others.** Cadets will be selected from sophomores, juniors and seniors **based on program needs and university requirements.**

# Endorsements (25 pts)

The student:	Disagree	Somewhat Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree
1. Is driven and self-motivated	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
2. Is able to work independently	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
3. Adapts to changing situations	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
4. Is dependable	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
5. Can proactively identify and solve problems	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
6. Demonstrates critical thinking	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
7. Consistently follows directions	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
8. Presents ideas clearly in spoken and written communication	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
9. Works well with others of a diverse background	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
10. Demonstrates an interest in aviation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>



# General Experiences (10 pts)

## **General Experience**

Are you currently employed?

If so, please list your title:

Have you held a leadership position, other than AFJROTC, in your school or community in the last 24 months?

If so, please list your title(s):

Have you been part of a team, other than AFJROTC, in the past 24 months?

If so, please specify what kind of team(s):

Due to limited characters/space,  
please abbreviate.

# Aviation Experiences (10 pts)

## Aviation Experience

1-19 hours  20+ hours  Total # of hours  Ground school complete/certificate issued

1 semester or more on a Multicopter Team  1 semester or more on a Rocketry Team

Civil Air Patrol member  Civil Air Patrol Unit:

1 year or more of Airframe and Powerplant education experience

# Critical Dates

- 1) **15 Oct-7 Dec 18: Cadets begin application process**
- 2) **9 Oct – 9 Nov 18: Complete Aviation Qualifying Test (AQT)**
- 3) **9 Nov 18: Sophomore cadet application suspense to HQ**
- 4) **16 Nov 18: Junior cadet application suspense to HQ**
- 5) **7 Dec 18: Senior cadet application suspense to HQ**
- 6) **7-11 Jan 19: Selection board**
- 7) **14 Jan 19: Notify selected and alternate cadets**
- 8) **15 Jan-28 Feb 19: Complete FAA Class I Flight Physical**
- 9) **28 Feb 19: Last day to complete flight physical**
- 10) **1-29 Mar 19: Cadets matched to universities**
- 11) **Individual cadet program start dates will vary**