

## FAQs

**Q. What is the age requirement to apply for the AIM HIGH Flight Academy (AHFA)?**

A. High school students aged 16-18 years old. Students must be at least 16 years old by June 1<sup>st</sup> in the year of the desired AIM HIGH Flight Academy. High school students are required to obtain and submit their Parents/Legal Guardian verifiable written approval to participate.

**Q. Where is the AHFA located?**

A. AHFA partners with University Aviation Departments at various college universities throughout the United States. Selected students will be able to list their location preferences.

**Q. What is the AHFA Selection Process?**

A. The USAF Detachment 1 Team holds a standard Air Force application record review and selection board process to evaluate each application on its own merit, utilizing the whole-person concept.

**Q. Who can nominate me?**

A. Any adult who knows you and can speak to your character, leadership and abilities to complete a rigorous flight training program can act as a nominator. Examples include a school counselor, sports coach, teacher, or any leader of an organization you are involved in. *Note: 'Nominator' is not an option on the application; students should select 'Other' and type in the organization/school affiliation.*

**Q. What is the cost for the program?**

A. None. This scholarship program is entirely paid for by the USAF.

**Q. Is there a cost for travel, meals and lodging?**

A. No. All accommodations are entirely paid for by the USAF.

**Q. Is there a military commitment with this training?**

A. No. This program does not incur any military obligation or commitment.

**Q. Will the selected students be able to request university preferences?**

A. Yes; selected students are given the opportunity to express their preferred university from the partner list, preferred summer training dates, and location preferences. University matching is completed after the students are selected and is based on the needs of the Air Force.

**Q. Can students drive themselves to the flight academy?**

A. Students or Parents/Legal Guardians may decline air travel and choose to drive a personal vehicle to the university. A special request must be submitted in advance. Reimbursement amount is limited to the cost of the applicable airfare (for example air travel to and from the students place of residence/home of record to the university training location). Students will be asked to follow university policies which may include paying for university parking and specific student driving rules.

**Q. Can I apply if I'm not in AFJROTC?**

A. Yes.

**Q. Is there a minimum or maximum flight hour requirement?** A. No, there is no required amount of flight hours to attend the program. Students with preexisting flight hours may indicate on their

application they would like to be considered for an 8-week Private Pilot Certificate Program. This program is run by AFJROTC, but Detachment 1 may sponsor non-AFJROTC cadets into the 8-week AFJROTC Flight Academy.

**Q. Who are my instructors, mentors and chaperones?**

A. University Aviation Program Certified Flight Instructors work with U.S. Air Force Total Force members to serve as instructors, mentors and support staff throughout the program.

**Q. I'm interested in speaking to an Air Force aviation mentor, how do I do that?**

A. Periodic Rise Above Aviator Mentorship (RAAM) Webinars are hosted to allow students to attend and ask questions directly to aviator mentors. Students can use this Det 1 email to get notifications for upcoming RAAM dates: [Afrs.det1.inspire@us.af.mil](mailto:Afrs.det1.inspire@us.af.mil) or can see the events advertised on our Instagram at [//www.instagram.com/accounts/login/?next=/usaf\\_inspire/](https://www.instagram.com/accounts/login/?next=/usaf_inspire/)