



## Frequently Asked Questions



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

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

### Q. Do I need prior flight experience to apply?

*A. Not at all! In fact, we encourage students with absolutely no flight experience to apply. This scholarship program provides students with no background in flying the opportunity to explore aviation and discover if it's something they want to pursue.*

### 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. Where is the AHFA located?

*A. AHFA partners with University Aviation Departments at various college universities throughout the United States. For a complete list, check out the homepage.*

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

*A. The U.S. Air Force 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. This includes an activity sheet (demonstrating extracurricular activities), a nominator's comments (like a job reference), a short essay, and a creative graphic.*



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### 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 sports coach, teacher, or any leader of an organization you are involved in. This should be thought of as a job reference. Think; someone who knows you well and can speak to your attributes.

### Q. Can my parent/guardian/family member nominate me?

A. No. We know they think you're awesome, we need to hear it from someone else!

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

A. No. While we hope you will join our team in the future, this program does not incur any military obligation or commitment.

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

A. Selected students are given the opportunity to express their preferred summer training dates and potential summer scheduling conflicts. University matching is completed after the students are selected and is based primarily on the availability of training slots.

### 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 and will be on a case-by-case basis. 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, no affiliation with the Air Force or even flying is needed to apply.

### Q. Is there a minimum or maximum flight hour requirement?

A. No, there is no **minimum** required amount of flight hours to attend the program. However, the **maximum** number of



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*powered flight hours is 5 (as recorded in a logbook). If you don't know what a logbook is, you probably don't have any hours.*

### 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. Am I able to attend religious services?

*A. That depends. While you are at the AHFA, training is the priority and some universities train on the weekends and have 'off days' during the week. We will try to make accommodations, but this is not guaranteed.*

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