

FLIGHT SCHOOL

2007 Welcome Package

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Welcome!

Welcome to Premiere Aviation Flight School! All of our instructors are dedicated to helping you achieve your goal of becoming a pilot. This packet contains several important documents; please review it to ensure you have everything listed.

If you have any immediate questions or concerns during your flight training, please feel free to contact any flight instructor or the flight school manager. All comments, suggestions and criticisms are welcomed!

We hope you choose to fly with us here at Premiere Aviation. At the end of this document, you will find our Student Data Forms. Should you wish to begin flying with us, please take a moment to fill these out and return them to the flight school. Just fill in the parts you know; your instructor will take care of the rest! In addition to these forms, we will need a copy of a current US driver's license and a copy of either your birth certificate or a current US passport.

For The Premiere Aviation Flight School Team,

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Ed Murray Premiere Aviation Flight School Director (205) 425-9500

Premiere Aviation – Flight School The Exciting World of Flight

This document provides you with the basic information regarding our flight training program, its overall operation and the related costs.

Premiere Aviation's private pilot flight training program follows the standards established by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). Current FAA regulations require a minimum of 40 hours of flying, which is composed of 20 hours of dual instruction, 10 hours of solo flight and 10 hours of either dual instruction or solo flight. Our average total time per student has proven to be around 55 hours, which is significantly less than the national average of 70 hours.

Whether you are an academic student, in the work force or retired, our training program is structured toward you, the individual. There is no specific time limit for training completion and realistically, flying 2-3 times per week (usually 2-hour blocks of time) is the best. However, we realize that this is not always possible, so we structure our training to meet your personal schedule. Generally, the program can be completed within 4-6 months.

The basic training airplanes we utilize are the Piper warrior (PA-28-160) and the Cessna 172SP. Other aircraft will continue to be added, including G-1000 equipped aircraft for more advanced training.

Finally, the costs associated with the flight program vary depending on skills, time and student effort towards training. Specific costs for this program are outlined on a separate page, and reflect the average expenditure. Please note that the overall cost represents a realistic figure, not the "best" price (other flight schools give cost estimates using the minimum number of hours).

Premiere Aviation is located at the Bessemer Municipal Airport, a great place to train and very convenient to the metropolitan Birmingham area.

Your training may begin immediately or at your earliest convenience. Premiere Aviation employs federally certified, professional flight instructors. They are available 7 days a week, 365 days a year. We encourage you to visit our facility and meet our friendly, courteous staff. Should you desire to fly now, take advantage of our \$59 introductory flight that allows you to experience the thrill of a lifetime by **ACTUALLY FLYING** the airplane under the watchful eye of an instructor.

We suggest that upon attainment of the **Private Pilot Certificate**, an individual pursue an **Instrument Rating** and then obtain a **Commercial Certificate**. At this point in the individual's training, a decision is generally made: pursue a **Multi-Engine Rating** or choose the path of a **Certified Flight Instructor (CFI) Certificate** with a follow-on **Certified Flight Instructor - Instrument (CFII) Rating**, and finally the **Air Transport Pilot (ATP)** to round off his/her professional career.

Should you have any additional questions or want to begin your training, please call Premiere Aviation at (205) 425-9500 and speak to our qualified staff. We look forward to the opportunity of flying with you.

Premiere Aviation – Flight School Frequently Asked Questions

Why should I take lessons at Premiere Aviation?

Premiere Aviation excels over other flight schools in the Birmingham area for several reasons.

First, because we are located at a non-tower-controlled airport, students are able to learn to fly in a more relaxed environment than at a busy commercial field. When they are ready, the more active Birmingham airspace is only minutes away, where students can become readily comfortable with radio communications and Air-Traffic-Controlled airspace.

Second, Premiere Aviation has a good variety of trainer and rental aircraft, from low-wings to high-wings. In addition, our prices tend to be equal or lower than our competitors.

Lastly and most importantly, Premiere Aviation has a network of qualified personnel inside and outside the flight school that are eager to assist in any way they can to give you the best possible flying experience.

How quickly can I obtain my private pilot certificate?

That depends on how often you can fly each week. Typically, if a student schedules 2-3 lessons each week, training can be completed in 4-5 months. It is important to understand that this is a very individualized process, and most people's schedules can be easily accommodated. We recommend a free consultation and facility tour for each student to assess the timeframe and budget needs so that we may custom tailor a training program to your individual needs.

How many lessons per week should I schedule?

If you fly 2-3 times per week, your skill and memory retention are significantly higher. Students who can only fly on weekends may need a few more hours overall to finish their training. However, during summer months, sunset is later allowing people who work during the day to fly in the evenings.

How many lessons should I schedule at one time?

Most students find it convenient to schedule 5-6 lessons in advance. This is especially important if there are only certain times of the week that you can fly. Also, several students have a "favorite" airplane that they want to fly the most. Keeping yourself scheduled out at least 4 weeks will also help you complete your training in a shorter period of time and for less expense than other approaches.

How much "homework" is there per week outside of flying?

There's about a 1:1 ratio with studying and flying; for example, scheduling 2-3 lessons per week will usually result in about 3-4 hours of flying, in which you can expect 3-4 hours of studying.

Frequently Asked Questions, Cont'd

What are the medical requirements?

To solo an aircraft and ultimately obtain a private pilot license, a pilot candidate must pass a Class III medical examination. The examination must be administered by an FAA approved Aeronautical Medical Examiner (AME). The exam is basically a brief physical to ensure you are in good general health. If you are taking any regular medication, it is a good idea to discuss this to your instructor PRIOR to going to a medical exam. You can find a list of approved medications on <u>www.AOPA.org</u> in the members section, and a list of local approved AME's is included in this package.

Why is the ground school optional?

Because of scheduling or other conflicts, Premiere Aviation understands that you may not be able to attend our ground school. Therefore, we don't require you to enroll. However, the ground school is an excellent way of learning and allows you to meet people involved in flight training.

What happens during bad weather?

During days with low visibility, low ceilings or thunderstorms, instructors will call their students if the flying portion of the lesson is cancelled. The private pilot certificate requires ground instruction as well, which can, and should be accomplished on days when the weather is uncooperative.

If my instructor is not available, can I fly with another instructor?

Yes. Most of your training typically will be with the same instructor, however, many students and pilots enjoy flying with someone else simply because each instructor can usually teach something new or give a different perspective on a certain topic. Furthermore, Premiere Aviation Flight School strives to achieve consistency in teaching methods among its flight instructors. We encourage flying with other instructors for Stage Checks, at a minimum.

Can I train in an airplane other than the one I start in?

Yes. Students who tend to be taller may find it more comfortable to train in our Cessna 172 or Piper Warrior; both airplanes have four seats, and are larger overall than commonly found two-seat aircraft. We encourage students to try several aircraft to find the type that is best suited for them.

After I get my private pilot certificate, can I rent an airplane on my own?

Yes. After earning your private pilot certificate, you can rent the same airplane type without any additional instruction.

What if I want to rent an airplane other than what I trained in?

Upgrading to bigger and faster airplanes is easy. Schedule a "check-out" with an instructor, which normally takes 1-2 hours. This also allows you to have more flexibility since you are able to fly a variety of our airplanes. Please refer to our Renter Checkout procedure posted in the Flight School Section of <u>www.premiereaviation.com</u> under Required Documents.

Is there a minimum rental for long trips?

For overnight trips, Premiere Aviation asks for a minimum of 3 hours per night spent away, as that is what the aircraft would fly at minimum if it were on the field. This minimum can be waived, however, in special circumstances. Please consult with the Director of Flight Operations to discuss your particular situation.

If I can't make it for a scheduled lesson, what do I do?

When a change in your schedule prohibits you keeping an appointment for a lesson, please cancel at least 24 hours in advance so that the instructor can schedule another student to use that time and to avoid charges to your account. If there is a special circumstance, please discuss your situation with the Director of Flight Operations as soon as possible.

Student Pilot Web Resources:

Federal Aviation Administration http://www.faa.gov/

Airport Information:

AirNav http://www.airnav.com

Organizations:

Birmingham Aero Club <u>http://www.birminghamaeroclub.org/</u>

Bessemer Pilots Association http://eky.alpilots.org/Home/tabid/52/Default.aspx

Aircraft Owners & Pilots Association http://www.aopa.org/ News:

Alabama Aviator http://www.alabamaaviator.com/

AVWeb http://www.avweb.com/

Landings <u>http://www.landings.com/</u>

Flight Notams http://www.flightnotams.com

Weather:

http://www.intellicast.com/Aviation/

http://www.noaa.gov/

http://www.duats.com/

FAA Designated Physicians

Aeronautical Medical Examiners

Dr. John Buckingham 2826-B Moody Pkwy. Moody, AL 35004 640-2808

Dr. Michael Chandler 2470 Rocky Ridge Rd. Birmingham, AL 35243 823-1899

Dr. Michael Cloyd 3419 Independence Dr. Suite 100 Homewood, AL 35209 930-2910 930-8958

Dr. Charles Crow 516 Brookwood Blvd. Birmingham, AL 35209 871-7746

Medical Information Resources:

www.faa.gov/pilots/medical

www.aopa.org

Dr. Paul Park 2757 Greensprings Hwy. Birmingham, AL 35209 871-8891

Dr. Bruce Pava 860 Montclair Rd. Suite 480 Birmingham, AL 35213 599-3990

Dr. Boyde J Harrison 904 26th Street Haleyville, AL 205-486-5234

This list is not intended to be complete, but to only give you some starting points in finding an AME. While every attempt is made to keep this list accurate, phone numbers and addresses may have changed. Please notify Premiere Aviation if you find any discrepancies.

Training and Rental Fleet

Aircraft #	<u>Year/Model</u>	Equipment	Price/Hour (wet)
N44472	1975 Piper Warrior	Garmin GNS 430 GPS, IFR Cert, Dual Nav/com	\$95.00
N8425F	1976 Piper Warrior	King KLN89 GPS, IFR Cert, Dual Nav/Com	\$95.00
N442ES	1999 Cessna 172R	King KLN89B GPS, IFR Cert, Dual Nav/Com	\$116.00
N124CK	2005 Cessna 172SP	King MFD, IFR Cert, Autopilot, Dual Nav/Com	\$125.00
N1330N	2006 Cessna 172SP	Garmin G-1000, Autopilot	\$135.00

Block Time may be purchased in blocks of 10 hours in any of our aircraft, reducing the cost by \$5/hr. Pilots providing renter's insurance will also receive \$5 per hour off in addition to any block rate discount.

There are several financing programs available to help spread out the cost of your flight training. Please see the Flight School Director for more information.

FLIGHT INSTRUCTION COSTS

<u>Cost/Hour</u>
\$35.00
\$38.00
\$45.00
\$45.00

* Pre-Private Pilot Status.

** All Other Instruction.

*** CFI, ATP, All Multi-Engine work.

Discovery Flight / Introductory Packages

1. Introductory Flight Package - \$99.95

- 1 x Discovery Flight with an instructor (4 tenths of an hour flight time) ⊳
 - 2 x Companion Classes:
 - Aircraft Systems Hands-On Overview Maintenance Hangar ٠
 - ٠ Ground School - Classroom
- 1 x 15% discount coupon on next flight lesson ۶
- Private Pilot Logbook

Advanced Introductory Flight Package - \$225.00 2.

Same as #1, but includes a 1 hour introductory flight lesson

Private Pilot Lesson Package - \$459.00 3.

- 2 hours dual flight instruction
- Jeppesen DVD Private Pilot Course ≻
- Private Pilot Logbook

Advanced Private Pilot Lesson Package - \$975.00 4

- 5 hours Dual Flight Instruction
- Private Pilot Ground School Prep for Written Exam** ≻
- Jeppesen DVD Private Pilot Course \geq
- ≻ Private Pilot Logbook

5. Private Pilot Pre-Solo Lesson Package - \$1925.00*

- 10 hours Dual Flight Instruction >
- ⊳ Jeppesen Private Pilot Kit (Logbook, E6-B, Textbooks, Oral Exam Guide, Plotter, Flight bag, PTS Standards.)
- Private Pilot Ground School Prep for Written Exam ⊳
- Jeppesen DVD Private Pilot Course ⊳
- Please note that additional instruction may be required for an individual to solo
- Textbook and study materials are not included.

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Private Pilot Certificate Requirements

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:

- 1) Be at least 17 years of age.
- 2) Be able to read, speak, and understand the English language.
- 3) Obtain at least a current third-class medical certificate.
- 4) Possess a valid US birth Certificate or Current US Passport
- 5) Pass a knowledge test as well as the practical test.

FLIGHT REQUIREMENTS:

Minimum of 40 hours of flight, which must include the following:

- 1) Minimum of 20 hours flight instruction, which includes:
 - → 3 hours cross country;
 - → 3 hours instrument flight training;
 - → 3 hours night flying to include:
 - → One cross country at least 100 nm total distance;
 - → 10 takeoffs and landings.
- 2) Minimum of 10 hours solo flight, which includes:
 - → 5 hours solo cross country to include:
 - → One solo cross country must be at least 150 nm total distance, with landings at three points and with one segment at least 50 nm between two locations;
 - → Three takeoffs and landings at an airport with an operating control tower.
- **Note:** 40 hours is the minimum set by the Federal Aviation Administration. Most pilots will require more flight time to be prepared for the practical test. The national average is 70 hours, and while individual performance varies, Premiere Aviation's top notch training program typically results in a lower number of hours to complete.

COST REQUIREMENTS:

Aircraft (Warrior) Rental - 50 hours @ \$95.00/hour	\$4,750.00
Instructor Time (includes flight and ground time) - 40 hours @ \$35/hour	
Ground School (optional)	
Training Materials (average)	\$265.00
Student/Private Pilot Medical Exam (average)	
FAA Written Exam (average)	\$80.00
FAA Flight Test in the Aircraft	
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APPROXIMATE TOTAL COST*	\$7,090.00

* Prices subject to change without notice.

Instrument Rating (Airplane) Requirements

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:

- 1) Hold at least a private pilot certificate.
- 2) Be able to read, speak, write, and understand the English language.
- 3) Hold at least a current third-class medical certificate.
- 4) Possess a valid US Birth Certificate or Current US Passport
- 5) Pass a knowledge test as well as the practical test.

FLIGHT REQUIREMENTS:

- At least 50 hours of cross country flight time as pilot in command:
 → At least 10 hours must be in airplanes for an instrument airplane rating.
- 2) A total of 40 hours of actual or simulated instrument time:
 - → At least 15 hours of instrument flight training from an authorized flight instructor;
 - One cross country flight in an airplane that is performed under IFR conditions and consists of:
 - \rightarrow a distance of at least 250 nm;
 - ↔ an instrument approach at each airport;
 - ➔ three different kinds of approaches with the use of navigation systems.
- 3) A total of 10 hours may be in an approved "PCATD" simulator.
- **Note:** 15 hours of instrument flight instruction is just a minimum set by the Federal Aviation Administration. Most pilots will require more flight instruction.

COST REQUIREMENTS:

Instrument Aircraft Rental (Warrior) - 45 hrs @ \$95/hr	\$4,275.00
Instructor Time (includes flight and ground time) - 60 hours @ \$38/hour	2,280.00
Instrument Ground School (optional)	195.00
Training Materials (tax included)	235.00
FAA Written Exam (average)	80.00
FAA Practical Test	350.00
APPROXIMATE TOTAL COST*	\$7,415.00

* Prices subject to change without notice.



Bring-A-Buddy Promotion

Introduce a friend to flying! Simply print and fill out this form and send it to Premiere Aviation with your buddy. When they take a Discovery Flight and purchase a New pilot Kit <u>or</u> complete three flight lessons, you get a free rental hour in the Premiere Aviation Flight School plane of your choice! Plus, your Buddy gets \$10 off their Discovery Flight, normally \$59.99, only \$49.99 with this form! Bring as many Buddies as you like, and let's go flying!

Referring Pilot	
Phone Number	
Buddy's Name	
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Address	
City, State, Zip	
Phone #	

Flight instructors; please fill in the information below:

Date	Description	Instructor Initials
	Discovery Flight	
	Pilot Kit Purchased	
	3 rd flight lesson accomplished	

This properly completed form entitles the referring pilot to one free hour in the rental aircraft of his/her choice at Premiere Aviation Flight School. The free hour is authorized only for registered students and pilots on Premiere Aviation's Online Flight Schedule Pro database. In order to receive the free hour, the referring pilot must have currency in the aircraft as stated in the Renter's Agreement. If preferred, the hour may be used during flight instruction or proficiency check to obtain currency. Multiple participants are welcomed; one redemption form per new Premiere student referred is required. Offer ends 12/31/2007. Free flight must be redeemed by 06/30/2008.

Office Use Only:		
Flight School Director Approval		
Free flight hour redeemed on	in N	_, invoice #
Cashier: This form is only valid when approved	l and signed by the l	Flight School Director.