

Learning to fly is exciting but can be intimidating for first-timers. Buckeye Flight Academy (BFA) will guide you on your flight journey, whether you're flying for fun or aiming for a professional career.

We operate out of the Toledo Express and Fulton County Airports year-round, seven days a week. We offer two excellent training aircraft for our primary flight training students: a Cessna 150 (two seats) or a Piper PA-28 (four seats). We'll help you select which aircraft best fits your budget and goals.

As a Part 61 flight school, BFA follows all FAA flight and training hour requirements, offering a structured, transparent program customized to meet your flight and ground training needs.

Your journey as a flight student typically starts with a Discovery Flight (approximately 45 minutes), giving you a front-seat experience in the airplane. You're also welcome to take the controls and fly the airplane in your first lesson!

As a flight student with unique goals, you're more than a number and we'll help you demystify the training process, including costs, requirements, and what you can expect as a new student.

Let us help you train affordably, on schedule, and with the confidence and safety every pilot needs!







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DISCOVERY FLIGHT

You have to start somewhere! Request a discovery flight to gauge your interest in flying. PRICING - \$150 Piper PA-28 or \$125 Cessna 150

GROUND & FLIGHT TRAINING

You must show proficiency in various aviation knowledge topics in addition to basic flight experience to show you meet the FAA requirement to become a pilot!

FIRST SOLO

certificate!

Your first solo will be the first time you operate the aircraft all

on your own! Now it's time to

work towards your full



KNOWLEDGE TEST

A written test with a passing score of 70% is required for all private pilot applicants.

You made it! Now it's time keep current! We suggest frequent flying and continued education to make you a safe and competent pilot!

WHAT'S A DISCOVERY FLIGHT?

A discovery flight is a short introductory flight for anyone interested in learning about flying or the steps to become a pilot.

You must pass a practical and

requirements to hold a private

The examiner will test you to

CAN I SWITCH INSTRUCTORS?

If you are not connecting with your instructor, we will be happy to place you with an instructor who's a better fit for your flight training.

PRACTICAL TEST

ensure you meet the

DO I HAVE TO DO A DISCOVERY FLIGHT?

NO! You are welcome to start your flight training without a discovery flight.

IS THERE AN AGE REQUIREMENT TO START FLIGHT TRAINING?

No, we have worked with students as young as nine! There is no defined age limit, however we recommend at least nine and older.

HOW LONG DOES FLIGHT TRAINING TAKE?

Most students take 6-12 months to complete their Private Pilot Certificate. The duration depends on how often you fly, how quickly you learn ground training, and how quickly you learn weather. We recommend flying at least 2-3 times a week if not more!

DO I NEED PRIOR EXPERIENCE BEFORE STARTING FLIGHT TRAINING?

NO! You flight instructor will guide you through the entire process from start to finish.

DO YOU HAVE ANY WEIGHT LIMITS?

The Cessna 150 is limited to students who are 200 lbs. and 6' tall or less.

The Piper PA-28 is more comfortable and better fit for individuals who would not fit comfortably in the Cessna.

ONCE MY CHILD STARTS FLIGHT TRAINING, MY I ALSO FLY ALONG ON EACH FLIGHT?

Parents or guardians can be permitted depending on the student's age.

I WANT MY CHILD TO HAVE A DISCOVERY FLIGHT BUT I WOULD PREFER TO ALSO BE PRESENT FOR THE FIRST FLIGHT, MAY I JOIN THE DISCOVERY FLIGHT?

Depending on the age of the student, we will permit parents or guardians to be present.

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Private Pilot REQUIREMENTS

- At least 17 years of age
- Read, speak, and write in English
- Complete at least 40 hours of flight training
- Capable of obtaining a third class medical
- Pass an FAA-administered written test with at least 70%
- Successfully completed an oral and practical assessment with a designated FAA-examiner

Minimum Flight Training REQUIREMENTS

Minimum of 40 hours of total flight time, including:

- 20 hours of flight instruction consisting of:
 - 3 hours of night flying
 - 3 hours of cross country
 - 3 hours of instrument training
 - 3 hours of prep for the practical test
- 10 hours of solo flight time, mostly including:
 - 5 hours of cross country
 - One long cross country 150+ miles

NOTE: Most students complete training wihting 50-80 hours.

2025 PRICING

CALCULATE ESTIMATED COSTS* PRIVATE PILOT (40 HOURS**) IN THE PA-28:

- 20 hours of dual instruction....\$3,800
- 20 hours of solo.....\$2,800
- 15 hours of ground instruction.....\$750
- Written test fees.....\$175
- Books and materials.....\$250
- Medical exam fee.....\$200
- Practical test fee.....\$1,000
- Total ~\$9,000

National Average Costs - \$9,000 - 14,000

Aircraft Pricing* (includes fuel):

Cessna 150.....\$110.00/hour Piper PA-28.....\$140.00/hour

Instructor Pricing*: Primary......\$50.00/hour Advanced......\$55.00/hour

NOTE:

*Prices subject to change due to insurance and fuel costs. ** Most students complete training within 50-80 hours, depending on training duration, frequency, personal study, etc.





EARN YOUR WINGS AND SOAR BEYOND!

Experience the thrill of becoming a private pilot, unlocking countless adventures and opportunities in the skies. Don't let your dreams stay on the ground—start your aviation journey today and discover the excitement that awaits beyond your private pilot certificate!





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