

Dear Orlandi Flight Center,

Congratulations!

We would like to thank you and your students for participating in the 2017 Flight Training Experience Survey. In our sixth year, we are happy to report that we received feedback for 1,048 individual schools and 2,012 individual flight instructors. The Flight Training Experience Survey and Awards have allowed AOPA to identify and recognize the highest levels of achievement in the flight training community, with the goal of encouraging others to adopt similar characteristics of success.

We commend and congratulate you for earning a spot on the 2017 Flight Training Experience Awards as a Distinguished Flight School. Included with this letter you will find an award and a window decal to recognize your achievement. We hope you display this recognition proudly. Additionally, you should have received the email I sent out in late October informing you of your award. That email also had a template press release and electronic files of the Distinguished Flight School logo to help you promote your achievement. If you did not receive that email, please feel free to contact me and I will resend it for you (FTInitiative@aopa.org). Thank you for creating a positive flight training experience for your students. We look forward to your encouragement of participation in the 2018 survey opening this spring.

This year, we are working to compile individual reports of the data that was collected through the poll. You should be receiving a link to your report card sometime in November.

To learn more about the 2017 survey and for a full list of this year's winners, please visit: aopa.org/ftsurvey

Please let me know if you have any questions and congratulations!

Sincerely,

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DISTINGUISHED FLIGHT SCHOOLS BY REGION

NORTHEAST

AeroVenture Flight Center (1B9)
Air Fleet Training Systems (CDW)
American Flyers (MMU)
Big Sky Aviation (MIV)
Bravo Flight Training (FDK)
Chesapeake Sport Pilot LLC (W29)
Energy Aviation (IPT)
FCA Flight Center (FIT)
Harford Air Services (OW3)

Orlandi Flight Center (1N7)
Premier Flight Center LLC (HFD)
Smoketown Helicopters (S37)
Somerset Air Service (SMQ)
Southern Maine Aviation LLC (SFM)
Valley Aviation Inc. (WBW)

SOUTHEAST

American Flyers (PMP)
APS Flight School (HWY)
ATP Flight School (LZU, DAB)
AV-ED Flight School-Leesburg (JYO)
Aviation Adventures (JYO, HEF, HWY, RMN)
Centennial Aviation Academy (PDK)
Cherokee Flight (CNI)
Cirrus Aviation (SRQ)
Curtis Eads Flight School (PVG)
Dominion Aviation Services Inc. (FCI)
Dragonfly Aviation (WDR)
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University (DAB)
First Landings Aviation (XO4)

Flight Training Professionals (ORL) Harmony Air (JWN) Holladay Aviation (CRG) ICON Flight Training Center (TPF) JLS Aviation LLC (EZF) KingSky Flight Academy (LAL) Murfreesboro Aviation (MBT) Nashville Flight Training (BNA) OpenAir Flight Training (JYO) Palm Beach Helicopters (LNA) Paragon Flight Training (FMY) Pilot Training Center Homestead (X51) Potomac Flight Training (JYO) Sterling Flight Training (CRG) Stratos Aviation (GMU) Sunrise Aviation (VQQ) Superior Flight School Inc. (RYY) WaterWings Seaplane School (EET) Wayman Aviation Academy (OPF, HWO) Wings of Carolina Flying Club (TTA)

MIDWEST

Avel Flight School (DPA)
Crosswinds Aviation (OZW)
DCT Aviation LLC (PTK)
Illinois Aviation Academy (DPA)
Skill Aviation (UGN)
Sporty's Academy (I69)
St. Charles Flying Service (SET)
Warsaw Flying Club (ASW)

Windy City Flyers Inc. (PWK)
Wisconsin Aviation-Dodge County (UNU)

SOUTHWEST

Brazos Valley Flight Services (CLL)
Destinations EFC LLC (RVS)
Fox Aviation International Inc. (16X)
Sierra Charlie Aviation (SDL)
Slipstream Aviation (RBD)
Soaring Club of Houston (89TA)
The Flight School Inc. (EYQ)
US Sport Aircraft (ADS)

WEST

Above All Aviation (SBA) AeroDynamic Aviation-San Jose (RHV) Aviation Facilities Inc. (FUL) Bakersfield Flying Club Inc. (BFL) CP Aviation (SZP) Du Bois Aviation (CNO) Executive Flight Institute (F70) ICON Flight Training Center (VCB) Latitude Aviation (COE) McAir Aviation (BJC) Northway Aviation (PAE) Rocky Mountain Flight Training Center (COS) San Carlos Flight Center (SQL) West Valley Flying Club (PAO) Western Air Flight Academy (BJC) WINGS Flight School (VCB)



DISTINGUISHED FLIGHT INSTRUCTORS BY REGION

NORTHEAST

William Allen (1B9)
Infazal Baksh (SCH, BGR, BMX)
David Burton (MIV)
David Hall (IPT)
Aaron Harrington (OW3)
Kyle Lacey (CDW)
Domenic Lafauci (EWB)
Harrison Martin (IPT)
Geoffrey Orlandi (IN7)
Jim Powell (FIT)
Ronald Semanski (WBW)
Brenda Tibbs (FDK)

SGUTHEAST

Maggie Broman (ORL) Ed Cominsky (ORL) Chuck Copley (HXD, AVP) Raymond De Haan (HEF, JYO) Ross Garoniak (ORL) Bob Hepp (HEF, TTA) David Herwig (2GC) Todd Houchins (75FL, ECP) Sarina Houston (TTA) James Austin Kaminski (HEF) Veronica Ko (HWY) Jonathan Kotwicki (VNC) Barry Loomis (LNA) Daniel Miller (JYO) Jay Nabors (TTA) Anh-Thu Nguyen (PDK) Rajiv Nowbutt (LNA) Dimitri Partafvllas (GMU) Jason Schappert (X60) Todd Shellnutt (LZU) Jim Stover (EZF) Gary Sumner (DKX)

Bob Garity (JYO)

David Thomspon (LZU) Jack Tunstill (SPG) Giacomo Ventimiglia (ORL) Charles Welden (EET) Truman Whiting (PHF)

MIDWEST

Jim Ader (UGN)
Jeff Anderson (UNU)
Peg Ballou (17G)
Mike Biewenga (3CK)
Andrew Dow (UIN)
Nick Loftus (SET)
Scott Malcolm (DPA)
Greg Patchel (RAC)
Joe Standley (3CK)
Mike Williams (MHK)
Joseph Zubay (C81)

SOUTHWEST

Tom DeYoung (SDL) Norman Rathje (76F) Russ Roslewski (PWA)

WEST

Susan Ballew (PAO)
Mark Erwin (PAO)
Kelli Graham (APA)
Mark King (SZP)
Marc Lee (SNA)
Anissa Mohler (RHV)
Jamie Patterson-Simes (PAMR)
Adam Peterson (BFL)
Christilyn Repp (VCB)
Robert Spitzer (BFI)
David Werntz (EMT)
William Woodbury (BFL)