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# WESTERN CAROLINA YOUTH AVIATION FOUNDATION

# Leave a Legacy



## Western Carolina Youth Aviation Foundation "WCYAF"



Boeing estimates needing 900,000 commercial and business aviation pilots by 2037 or 50,000 new qualified pilots per year.

The demand for aviation supporting careers includes air traffic control, electronics specialists, drone pilots, drone mechanics, aircraft manufacturing, airport operations, and airport management.

There is no better time than right now to bring together the talents and passions of local aviation and education professionals and the surrounding high school and college students that have an eagerness for aviation related careers. The Western Carolina Youth Aviation Foundation (WCYAF) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit fund-raising organization. We are comprised of local and surrounding area professionals with a passion for both aviation and the development of our high school and college kids.

**Our Vision:** An ever-expanding group of youth from the local area becoming successful aviation career professionals.

**Our Mission:** To support, encourage, guide, and facilitate aviation career educational and flight training programs for youth in western NC and the surrounding area.

**Our Method:** We collaborate with school administrators and teachers, airport operators, flight instructors, aviation career professionals, and aviation industry employers.

# We serve the community and donors by:

- Inspiring local and surrounding area youth to discover career paths in aviation
- Providing selective funding and scholarships for youth aviation career tracks
- Nurturing interest and aspirations in aviation for youth
- Supporting pathways to participation in aviation career tracks
- Providing knowledge, information, and resources about aviation careers

### Will You Join Us?

Where your money will go. The focus of the foundation and the use of your contributions is for flight training and educational scholarships for high school and junior college students in Cherokee, Clay, and Graham County in North Carolina and the surrounding areas.

**It's easy.** We are registered as a 501(c)3 organization. This means you will be able to enjoy all of the benefits of giving to a non-profit dedicated to providing education and career paths to our local youth.

Give someone a career. Providing an assortment of career paths in the aviation realm will not only benefit the students themselves, but also benefit the economy in providing qualified workers to an industry that has a current and predicted shortage.

**Leave a legacy.** The help that you provide to the WCYAF will deliver positive change for our sons and daughters that will last a lifetime.

Make a Difference Today!

