

Attractiveness of Aviation

International Council of Aircraft Owner and Pilot Associations

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IAOPA-Background

- Chicago Convention designed for civil aviation, GA ignored
- Civil aviation meant "airlines"
- IAOPA formed in 1962
- ICAO Observer since 1964
- Now -- 71 affiliates and 470,000 members worldwide.
- Worlds largest aviation membership organization





Aviation What we all think when starting





Aviation What we find out





Professionals Needed

Everyday General Aviation (GA)

- Medevac; transport medical materials
- Aerial traffic reports in metropolitan areas
- Law enforcement: Federal, state and local
- Search and rescue operations
- Surveying, parkland protection, environmental protection
- Reaches more than 19,000 airports (commercial: only 650)
- Agricultural growth and crop protection
- Overnight cargo deliveries
- Large-scale firefighting







People in General Aviation

- Estimated 1.5 2 million pilots
 - Includes multi-type pilots
- Estimated 700,000 1 million aviation maintenance technicians -
 - Again, includes multi-types
- The general aviation segment has decreased in the past decades due to increased –
 - Regulation
 - Restrictions
 - Costs and fees.

General Aviation and Commercial Air Transport Links

- Very few (none?) begin on an A320....
- In the beginning, there is general aviation
- GA is often the first time someone touches a plane
- General aviation serves as the cradle of aviation where -
 - Basic principles are learned
 - Habits are formed
 - Perceptions are gained
 - Good operating practices are absorbed.



Professionals for Aviation

- In many minds, professionals are only required for airline operations
- But, they are also required for:
 - On-demand air charter
 - Corporate aviation
 - Air ambulance operators
 - Agricultural operations
 - Flight instruction.





Problems in Getting Started

- More difficult to take the first step due to
 - Declining prestige, industry stability and entry level costs
 - Regulations, restrictions and fees placed on general aviation (License differences)
 - High levels of experience required for commercial air transport occupations
 - Competing opportunities....



Growing Aviation Professionals

- Get them while they are young
 - Create a vision of aviation in their formative years
 - Introduce children to all aspects of aviation
 - Nurture the desire through
 - Personal experiences
 - Field trips
 - Aviation camps
 - Mentoring
 - Scholarships and subsidies
- The investment is worth your time.





General Aviation for the Young

- EAA Young Eagles
- COPA for Kids`
- AOPA PATH
- Industry scholarships
- State sponsored programs
- International Learn to Fly Day May 15









Aviation Touches Many Disciplines



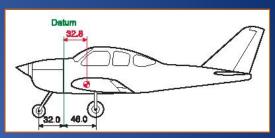
Meterology



Communications



Navigation



Mathematics



Geography and Topography





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Technology



Teamwork





History



Safety



Engineering





How Aviation Benefits Students

Personal Benefits of Flight:

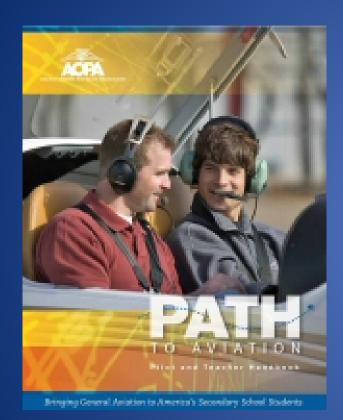
- Builds responsibility, character
- Improves confidence, self-reliance
- Drives personal discipline
- Sharpens organizational skills
- Pride of belonging to unique group
- Provides a unique point of view
- Encourages maintenance of good health
- Positive environment
- Encouraging and supportive community







PATH Handbook

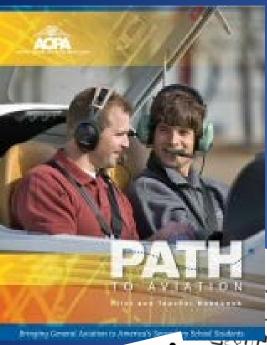


Pilot and Teacher Handbook (PATH)

- Geared toward middle school
- 11 modules for teachers
- Activities, worksheets, exercises, quizzes
- Learning objectives included
- Resources list (for further info)
- FREE PowerPoint presentations online: www.aopa.org/path







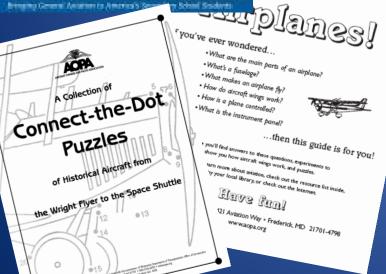
PATH Program

Examples

- Phonetic alphabet
- Gravity and lift
- Weather
- History/heroes

Supplements:

- Connect-the-dots puzzles (K-3)
- Airplanes (3-5)
- Aviation Careers brochure (9-12)







Think Global Flight



- Round the world flight to promote the importance of STEM
- Establishment of Student Command Centers (ages 4-16) around the world to help plan the flight
- Increase the number of children across the globe, interested in and inspired by aviation and aerospace
- More info go to <u>www.thinkglobalflight.org</u>



The Way Ahead

- Will there be enough pilots and technicians?
 - Operation-specific knowledge/experience
 - Quality, not quantity
- Foster motivation, not just more regulation
- Start young people early; select the best
- Provide in-depth training
- Focus on the "soft" qualities:
 - motivation, maturity, judgment, discipline.



General Aviation MUST Play a Major Part in the Solution...











