OBAP DENVER
ACE ACADEMY 2025

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About the OBAP Denver ACE Academy

The Organization of Black Aerospace Professionals ACE Academy is a nationally recognized program co-sponsored by the Federal Aviation Administration. (FAA) and the National Black Coalition of Federal Aviation Employees (NBCFAE).

The purpose of Aviation Career Education (ACE) is to offer first level exposure to the aviation industry by providing aviation career exploration for middle and high school students. Academy participants learn about aviation history, theory of flight, and other aviation related subjects. Students will have the opportunity to go on field trips to aviation facilities, museums and participate in other hands-on activities designed to give students a total aviation experience.

Overview

The Denver ACE program is designed to expose youth to the wide variety of career opportunities in aviation. The goal is to provide an opportunity for students to receive hands-on experience of learning about the history of aviation, contributions made by minorities in aviation, fundamentals of aerodynamics, the role of government in aviation, and the many careers available in the aviation industry. It is also designed to help students understand the importance of education and how it relates to various aviation and aerospace careers. Students will also experience the joy of flight by flying in the right seat of an aircraft.

Students will meet Aviation Professionals and participate in field trips to a variety of aviation facilities and educational institutions.

Activities

As a member of Denver ACE Academy, you will:

- Take an orientation flight in a Cessna or Piper aircraft
- Receive introductory aviation education
- Take field trips to different aviation-related facilities
- Be introduced to aviation history
- Fly one of United Airlines full-motion flight simulator
- Learn the qualities of leadership
- Associate and work with other youth
- Meet professionals from the aviation community
- Operate unmanned aerial systems and remote-control vehicles, when available

Admission Requirements

Admission is offered to boys and girls from 13 to 18 years old who have an interest in learning about aviation and aerospace. Students must be physically capable of participating in all activities.

- High standards of behavior and self-discipline are expected, and students must abide by all academy regulations.
- Parents or guardians must attend an orientation before programs begin.

Location

United Airlines Flight Training Center (FTC)

7500 E 35th Avenue

Denver, CO 80238

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Meet The Team

Tennesse Garvey

Denver ACE Academy Director

Hailing from Kingston, Jamaica, Tennesse Garvey is a United Airlines First Officer where he flies the Boeing 777. A graduate of Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University's College of Aeronautics, Tennesse earned his Bachelors in Aeronautical Science with Minors in Aviation Business Administration and Information Technology.

Tennesse's aviation journey began while growing up in Jamaica. While in high school, he had the opportunity to attend a summer flight camp which not only deepened his aviation exposure but also solidified his dream to become a pilot. After high school, Tennesse was given the opportunity to attend Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in Daytona Beach, Florida where he would graduate and later become a Flight Instructor at Florida Institute of Technology. During his tenure at Florida Tech, his passion and dedication to students, allowed him to be promoted to Retail Program Supervisor, next a Program Manager and then later the Assistant Chief Flight Instructor for the university's College of Aeronautics and Retail program. One of Tennessee's passions is working with youth and youth programs. While at Florida Tech, Tennesse oversaw and ran the university's Summer Flight Camps and Av/Aero Experience programs, both of which were designed for middle and high school students. Tennesse also planned summer flights for high school students to NASA's Kennedy Space Center and organized Boy and Girl Scouts Aviation Badge Merit events that were held annually on the university's flight line. Tennesse has spent the past 20 years working with youth programs, 15 years of volunteer work with the American Red Cross and has been a part of OBAP for the past 10 years.

Tennesse joined OBAP's Board of Directors in August 2018. Tennesse also serves as OBAP's Denver ACE Academy Director, Tulsa Aviation Maintenance ACE Academy Director and Assistant Director for the Boston ACE Academy. Tennesse has previously served as an Assistant Regional Director for OBAP's Southwest Region and Assistant Newark ACE Academy Director. Tennesse enjoys working with youth programs and industry partners on initiatives that foster aerospace career exposure for our youth. As

a Board of Director, he stands steadfast in his commitment to creating opportunities that will help increase diversity in the aviation and aerospace industries.

Halle Green

Denver Assistant ACE Academy Director

Halle Green is an Airbus A-320 First Officer with United Airlines. Halle's passions include both aviation and inspiring others to pursue their dreams. Halle seeks to inspire others by serving as OBAP's Administrator for our Aerospace Professionals In Schools (APIS) program and as an Assistant Director for the Denver ACE Academy.

Halle's 10 year aviation experience includes flying the Bombardier CRJ for PSA Airlines, flying corporate out of Colorado's Centennial Airport on the LearJet and also flying overseas as a Captain in Tinian in the Northern Mariana Islands.

Halle is an Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University graduate with a Bachelor of Science in Aeronautics and Minor in Aviation Safety. Presently, Halle is pursuing her Masters of Science in Aeronautics at Embry-Riddle.

When not flying or in the classroom, Halle loves athletic sports and has previously competed in NCAA Division II & NAIA Track & Field events for Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University & Auburn University.

Meet The Team

Monica Feder

Denver Assistant ACE Academy Director

Monica Feder relocated from Alaska to the New York TRACON to become an Air Traffic Controller, one month prior to 9/11. Here she persevered as one of approximately 10 women out of 300 controllers. Now she works as an Air Traffic Controller & Support Specialist at Denver TRACON. She has 22 years with the FAA and has dedicated her life's work to improving the National Airspace System through community outreach and pilot liaison efforts.

Monica has an Associate's degree from the University of Alaska Anchorage, Air Traffic certificates from the Vaughn College of Aeronautics and Technology, career training at the Mike Monroney Aeronautical Center and is currently working on a Bachelor's degree in Natural Medicine at Quantum University. PMO World Award Winner for Innovation & the FAA Regional Administrator's Award for Volunteer Service. Monica is happily married with four children.

Daily Schedule

Date	Time	Activity
Saturday June 14th	1800 – 1900	Parent/Guardian Brief (This will be facilitated via Zoom)
Monday June 23th	0800 – 0845	Welcome/General Safety Briefing/Meet the Team Introduction/Ice Breaker Exercise
	0845 – 0900	Break
	0900 – 1000	Tour of United Airlines Flight Training Center
	1000 – 1015	Break
	1015 – 1100	Lesson: History of Flight & Pioneers in Aviation Lesson
	1100 – 1215	United Airlines Inflight & Emergency Procedures Tour
	1215 – 1330	Lunch
	1330 – 1345	Transition to Coach Bus
	1340 – 1415	Travel to Denver International Airport
	1415 – 1545	United Airlines Tech Ops Tour
	1545 – 1630	Return Travel to United Airlines Flight Training Center
	1630	Daily Wrap-up and Dismissal

Date	Time	Activity
Tuesday June 24th	0800 – 0815	Daily Review
	0815 – 0915	United AVIATE Presentation
	0915 – 0945	Travel to Wings Over Rockies Museum
	0930 – 1200	Tour of Wings Over Rockies Museum
	1200 - 1300	Lunch at the Wings Over Rockies
	1300 – 1330	Return Transportation to United Airlines Flight Training Center
	1330 - 1400	Break
	1400 - 1500	Lesson: Lesson on Airports & Airport Operations
	1600 - 1700	Classroom Activity: Aircraft Maintenance Team-building lesson
Date	Time	Activity
Wednesday June 25th	0700 – 0730	Travel to the Colorado Air & Space Port (CFO)
	0730 – 1130	Discovery Flights at Colorado Air & Space Port (CFO)
	1130 – 1315	Travel to US Air Force Academy (Lunch will be served during transportation)
	1315 - 1630	US Air Force Academy Tour Arrive at Midfield (base of tower). Welcome Brief & break into 3 groups of 8-10 persons. Group 1: Tower

		Group 2: Simulators Group 3: Static displays/Flight Line Students board bus/van for transportation from midfield to Airmanship Ramp (<5 min drive) 98th classroom for working lunch and Det 1/USAFA Admissions brief.
	1630 - 1745	Return Travel to the United Airlines Flight Training Center
Thursday **June 26th**	0730 – 0800	Travel to FAA TRACON facility
	0800 - 0930	Terminal Radar Control Simulator & Tour ● TRACON Sim Tour ● TRACON Walkthrough
	0930 - 0945	Travel to Denver International Airport
	0945 - 1015	Gate Passes & TSA Screening
	1015 – 1100	Ramp Tower Tour
	1100 – 1200	Lunch at United Operations - Terminal B
	1200 - 1330	DEN Air Traffic Tower & United Operations Tour Group Tours: 1. Denver ATCT Tour 2. Static Aircraft Tour 3. United Operations Tour
	1345 - 1400	Meet with DIA Operations

	1400 – 1630	Denver International Airport Airfield Tour ● Airfield Tour ● USDA ● Airport Rescue & Fire Fighting (ARFF) Tour ● DIA Operations ○ Wildlife Mitigation Programs ○ Winter Operations ● Perimeter Road Tour
	1630 - 1700	Travel to Denver International TRACON
	1700 - 1730	Return Travel to the United Airlines Flight Training Center

Date	Time	Activity
Friday June 27th	0800 – 0815	Daily Review
	0815 – 0830	Transportation to Buckley Air Force Base
	0830 – 1400	Tour of Buckley Air Force Base
	1400 - 1430	Return Travel to United Airlines Flight Training Center
	1430 - 1500	United Careers Presentation
	1500 - 1600	Graduation Ceremony
Saturday June 28th		Boeing 737 Full Flight Simulator Training Activity (This day is optional) Students will get to experience what flying a commercial jet is like by flying in United Airline's Flight Simulators.

Important Notes
Student Drop-off and Pickup. Students will need to be dropped-off and picked-up daily at the United Airlines Flight Training Center. Please see address information below.

United Airlines Flight Training Center
OBAP Aerospace Career Education Academy
7500 E 35th Ave,
Denver, CO 80238

Flight Training Center Classroom
Monday - Thursday: B208E/W
Friday: B217

Nearby Hotels
Doubletree by Hilton (Preferred)
3203 Quebec St, Denver, CO 80207
*This hotel is across the street and is within walking distance.

Renaissance Denver Central Park (Preferred)
3801 Quebec St, Denver, CO 80207
*This hotel is across the street and is within walking distance.

Holiday Inn
3333 Quebec St, Denver, CO 80207
*This hotel is across the street and is within walking distance.

Graduation Ceremony
A graduation ceremony will be held on Friday, June 27st at the United Airlines Flight Training Center at 3:30 pm in the B Building MAS Room. Parents & Guardians are welcome to attend the ceremony. We will send out further instructions during the week about our ceremony. The event will also be live streamed via Zoom.