

Welcome to the first step in your aviation journey!

Like anything truly worthwhile, pilothood is a journey. It's a journey of challenge, excitement, and self-discovery. It's a journey that ends with a monumental sense of achievement – your private pilot's license. And then a new adventure begins each time you climb into the cockpit and take to the sky.

Ask any pilot, they'll tell you the joys of flying are well worth it. Worth the time, the money, the energy, and the commitment. Great Basin Aviation (GBA) is the place to strap on your wings and earn your license. GBA offers a friendly, comfortable atmosphere with knowledgeable, accommodating Certified Flight Instructors (CFI). You'll find we're making flight training far more fun, convenient, and skillful than you ever dreamed it would be, all on your terms.

Our CFI's understand starting from scratch and what it takes to be a pilot, like no one else. Here is what you can expect:

- A safe, friendly, comfortable yet dynamic atmosphere in which to learn.
- A knowledgeable CFI to mentor you, motivate your learning, and accommodate your scheduling requirements.
- Training in dependable Cessna aircraft. The aircraft you will train in are extremely stable and very forgiving. All our aircraft are meticulously maintained to ensure the utmost safety and top performance.
- Moments of feeling overwhelmed, exhausted, emotional, and questioning your decision. However, a CFI who has been there too and can talk you through it. Plus, support from GBA staff and online through our Facebook GBA Hangar Flyers forum.
- A structured syllabus so you know what is coming next. Stage checks with our Chief CFI, and in-depth progress reporting.
- Ground school either by lecture through TMCC, online through several sources (Cessna/King, Jeppesen, Sporty's, Gleim, etc.), or with your CFI or an inhouse Advanced Ground Instructor (AGI).

Rest assured, we'll walk you through the program step-by-step. It will take an average of six months to a year to earn your private pilot's license, but of course, you can take more or less time; it is completely up to you. At GBA, you truly do it on your terms, at your own pace. Training is worked into your schedule so you can fly early in the morning or late in the evening, at lunch or on the weekends, whatever works best for you. By about 80% of the way through your training, you will take your FAA Knowledge Test and at the end, your oral and flight test (checkride) with a Designated Pilot Examiner.

Questions? Sweaty Palms? Pre-flight jitters? It's only natural. Just talk to us about it. We have been through it hundreds of times before and throughout your training, we inspire confidence. Start with a discovery flight; is an introduction to flight, basic maneuvers, and aircraft control. Trust us, this is the most fun you've ever had! GBA will be with you throughout the entire journey!

Thank you for inquiring about earning your pilot's license! We look forward to flying with you!