

How much does it cost?

I get this question a lot....well, it is both relatively expensive and not expensive at all.

Cost is relative in many ways, for example, if learning to fly is your career goal or just something you have always wanted to do, then the only real cost may be not learning to fly. By the way, are you good at washing airplanes?

To obtain a Private Pilot license it could easily cost between \$9000 to \$14,000 in today's dollars. As a reference however, a "used" car might easily cost that much. A "new" car could cost three times that much.

The good news is that you don't have to pay for flight training all at once. You will pay as you go usually after each lesson. To get 40 hours of FAA required flight time, you might take as much as a year or as little as 6 months depending largely on you and your schedule and, of course, your finances. Each lesson will start out costing around approx. \$275...higher or lower depending on actual flight and ground time etc. Lessons usually last about 2 hours. Remember, lessons will normally cost much less when you fly solo.

The Private Certificate is the first step on the ladder and often considered as the "most difficult" because you are learning lots of new things. If you enjoy learning, then this will not be an obstacle. Actually, many of the new things you learn can be applied in your everyday life. The topic of "Weather" teaches you a lot about being able to predict the weather. You will learn about how airplane engines work, avionics, aeronautics, reading aeronautical charts, understanding airspace, and so, so, much more.

Being a "pilot" will give you the "keys" to exploring freedoms that you have only dreamed about.

So is it expensive? Try it and you be the judge.

We offer a special "introduction flight" to see if it is for you.

"When once you have tasted flight, you will forever walk the earth with your eyes turned skyward, for there you have been, and there you will always long to return" – Leonardo da Vinci

-Wilbur