

ACE Plus Program

A Squadron Classroom Adoption



Who?

Any CAP squadron that desires to connect with any 5th-8th grade <u>classroom teacher</u> from a public or private school, preferably with Title I students.

Why?

To build relationships between CAP members and local classroom teachers which stimulate an interest in aerospace-related STEM subjects/careers and awareness of CAP and its cadet program.

How?

Program PoC (Squadron AEO and/or Commander) extends a hand of comradery to any 5th, 6th, 7th, or 8th grade teacher involved in CAP's free *Aerospace Connections in Education* (ACE) program to provide <u>CAP adult and cadet</u> classroom support, student mentorship, and an introduction to CAP.



What is involved?

The squadron should coordinate with the teacher to teach 3 pre-prepared lessons and explain the cadet program to the students. Any extra activities are encouraged.

What are the procedures/costs?

The squadron provides a complimentary AE membership to the teacher (if not already an AE member) and teaches at least 3 virtual or in-person lessons to the students --- with all supplies provided at no cost, as per the *ACE Plus Guide*.

What about COVID-19 restrictions? The program includes in person and virtual options to be conducted until the end of the school year.

Contact adopt@capnhq.gov for more information. (GoCivilAirPatrol.com/ace)

Many CAP 'adopt' connections have already been established, so it is hoped YOUR squadron & a local classroom will be next!



AZ Wing Director of Aerospace
Education, Lt Col (now) Ron Marks,
connected with AEM, Lisa Love ---- in
person, virtually with her students,
and in a *Teacher Orientation Program*(TOP) flight. This is an *ACE Plus*program example of going above and
beyond in the "adopt" collaboration.





CAP's GLR and IN Wing teams connected with the Air & Space Forces Association (AFA) P-47 Memorial Chapter 141 to adopt/support several schools as a prime example of this program.

These programs were conducted by the original *ACE Plus* Ambassadors, Col Brian Schmuck and C/Lt Col Rylee Schmuck