



Civil Air Patrol and the Young Eagles Program

The EAA Young Eagles program was launched in 1992 to give interested young people, ages 8 - 17, an opportunity to go flying in a general aviation airplane. These flights are offered free of charge and are made possible through the generosity of EAA member volunteers.

Since 1992, more than 1.8 million Young Eagles have enjoyed a flight through the program. Young Eagles have been registered in more than 90 different countries and have been flown by more than 42,000 volunteer pilots.

Over the years many CAP cadets have become Young Eagles and received the free benefits of the program. EAA and CAP now have a process in place which allows CAP orientation flights to qualify cadets for free Young Eagles Flight Plan benefits.

Young Eagles Flight Plan includes:

- Free EAA Student Membership
- Free online Sporty's Learn to Fly Course (Including FAA written reimbursement)
- Free First Flight Lesson
- Flight Training Scholarships

These benefits are free to Young Eagles and now can be enjoyed by CAP cadets *after* a CAP Orientation "O" flight to help enhance the cadet's aviation experience.

The process is simple, after EAA receives confirmation of a CAP "O" flight from CAP Headquarters, EAA will email the cadet a link they can use to join and access the free Flight Plan benefits. In addition EAA will send a post card explaining the program; it's up to the cadet if they wish to register and receive the benefits.

Remember, EAA must receive the cadet information directly from CAP HQ not from the cadet or local units please do not contact the EAA office trying to register. The process happens monthly and EAA will process the emails as soon as they are received from CAP HQ.

The CAP and the EAA Young Eagles program, two great programs working to Grow Participation in Aviation.