



DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE

1ST FLYING TRAINING SQUADRON (AETC)

PUEBLO COLORADO



MEMORANDUM FOR INCOMING INITIAL FLIGHT SCREENING (IFS) STUDENTS

FROM: 1ST FLYING TRAINING SQUADRON

SUBJECT: Welcome to IFS

On behalf of the United States Air Force, Doss Aviation & the City of Pueblo, CO, I would like to welcome you to IFS. Congratulations, you are one of the very few afforded the opportunity to become a professional military aviator. Take pride in this accomplishment and remember that those same skills used to achieve this milestone will serve you well in the days ahead.

Make no mistake about it, IFS is a highly structured military flight training operation and the days are long and expectations run extremely high. This experience may very well be the most challenging thing you have ever done. In return, you will gain knowledge invaluable to your success in follow-on flight training.

During your stay you will eat, sleep, exercise and train in a state of the art facility provided by our contracted partner, Doss Aviation. Instructors and staff will be comprised of military and civilian personnel with years of experience in the flight training arena. Bottom line: We have gone to great lengths (and cost) to provide you with a flight training environment that is second to none. Make the most of this opportunity by BEING READY physically, emotionally, and procedurally!

As a professional military aviator, you are held to a higher standard and your behavior is no exception. Inappropriate use of alcohol, sexual misconduct or discrimination of any kind simply will not be tolerated. Any offense of this nature will be considered grounds for dismissal. You have waited a lifetime for this opportunity so think before you act.

In preparation for training, you should review **ALL** of the information located on our website. **It is your responsibility to ensure all requirements have been met. Inprocessing will occur in the AF blue uniform (no service coat required) at the time listed.** If you plan to fly to IFS, please see Commercial Air Travel under the Mode of Travel Options link. Attempt to arrive at the IFS facility no later than **1600** Mountain Time. **On Training Day 1** you will be required to write & recite (from memory) all aircraft Boldface /Ops Limits. Additionally, you will complete the AF Fitness Test. Failure of either evaluation will result in remedial training and will highlight you in a negative manner.

That being said, I would again like to congratulate you on your achievement in starting your career as a military aviator. IFS is designed to help you succeed and with prior preparation, personal commitment and a positive attitude, you will do so. I look forward to seeing you when you arrive.

ALLAN P. THILMANY, Lt Col, USAF
Commander

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