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**IMPORTANT
DATES TO
REMEMBER**

- **Start Dates:**
June 22nd
September 7th
- **Open House:**
May 20th
9:00am to 3:00pm
- **Orientation-June:**
June 8th
9:00 am & 6:00pm

FUTURES

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WWII Project at NAA!!! Beechcraft C-45H "Expeditor"

The C-45H was the WWII military version of the popular Beechcraft Model 18 commercial light transport. Beech built a total of 4,526 of these aircraft for the Army Air Forces between 1939 and 1945.

Mr. Fred Ranalli Jr. donated this WWII C-45H to our students for restoration. Needless to say that NAA is excited to get this plane running again. NAA students are assigned to this task.



Above: Beechcraft C-45H at the hangar being prepared for refurbishing.

Left: The Beechcraft is sitting in Tampa Bay, where it stayed the night after a brake failure. The plane failed to stay on the runway and ended up traveling into the water.

Right: A picture of what the Beechcraft C-45H may look like after it's restored.

Specifications:

Span: 47 ft. 8 in.

Length: 34 ft. 2 in.

Height: 9 ft. 2 in.

Weight: 9,300 lbs. Maximum

Engines: Two Pratt & Whitney R-985s of 450 hp. Each

Manufacturing Cost: \$57, 838

Maximum Speed: 219 mph.

Range: 1,140 miles



Employer Profile: MESA Airlines

Our employer profile for the month of May features MESA Airlines.

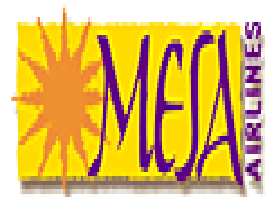
MESA currently operates 181 aircraft with over 1,100 daily system departures to 165 cities, 45 states, the District of Columbia, Canada, and Mexico.

MESA is one of our most frequent visitors & recruiters. NAA plans to have MESA recruiters at the school on May 22nd.

If you would like to find out more about MESA Airlines, log on at:

www.mesa-air.com

In 2005, MESA was named the Air Transport World's Regional Airline of the year.





"It's rewarding to watch students start school and then watch how they develop throughout their education here."-

Doug Ecks

NAA's Financial Aid team is second to none in explaining what you need to know about planning for your investment in your education.

Admissions Department, Good Job!

Congratulations to all students that have been accepted for training at NAA. Each of you have been interviewed personally by our staff members and have been selected from hundreds of inquiries that we receive every month. Our Admissions Team evaluates every candidate in the area of academics, attendance, desire to train and work in the

field of aviation maintenance. We carefully read each student essay that is submitted and look for the best and brightest candidates to train in our facility. You should be very proud



of your selection for the finest aviation training in the world. As you prepare for your first day of class, remember to communicate every week with your Admissions, Financial Aid and Student Services Representative so that everything goes smoothly in your transition to NAA. We are excited to see all of you at Orientation on Thursday, June 8th.

Instructor Profile

NAA splits up its curriculum into 6 terms. The 1st Term Instructor, Doug Ecks, has over **6 years** of Aviation teaching experience and over **34 years** of experience in the field of Aviation. Doug has worked as a Flight Instructor and a Professor at Auburn University.

In 1st Term, students will go through general subjects. Students studies will include:

- Math
- Science/Basic Electricity
- Physics
- Weight & Balance
- FAA Regulations

Doug Ecks 1st Term



Financial Aid Support

The Financial Aid Department here at NAA is top of the line with over **23 years** of combined experience. Their job is to help students explore their options not only upon enrollment but throughout their education here at

NAA and beyond.

Our Financial Aid team is capable of answering the most important questions you have on your eligibility for Federal student aid.



Welcome to Tampa Bay



The Tampa Bay area has it all. People from throughout the world come to the Tampa Bay area for it's endless, pristine beaches and amazing weather. If you like fishing, skiing, and other water activities, then Tampa Bay is the right destination for you.

Famous Attractions in Tampa Bay:

- Busch Gardens
- Adventure Island
- Sunshine Skyway Bridge
- The St. Petersburg Pier
- Salvadore Dali Museum

Tampa Bay Sports (the best of the best!)

- Tampa Bay Buccaneers
- Tampa Bay Lightning
- Tampa Bay Devil Rays
- N Y Yankees (Spring home)
- Many spring training clubs!

Tampa Bay Calendar:

- **May 16th, 17th, & 18th**
Tampa Bay Devil Rays vs. Chicago White Sox at the Trop
- **May 23rd-** Jewel & Rob Thomas at Ruth Eckerd Hall (Clearwater)
- **June 13th-** Buddy Guy's Blues Fest at Ruth Eckerd Hall (Clearwater)
- **August 10th-** NFL preseason: New York Jets at Tampa Bay Buc

From The Desk of the President

For over 36 years NAA has graduated top mechanics for the aviation industry. It is my pleasure to lead NAA into the next century of flight.

At NAA our most successful students are the ones who take attendance very seriously. Good attendance takes a great attitude and results in great grades and great job opportunities!

I challenge you to be the next great Aviation Maintenance Professional to graduate from NAA.

Don't forget to ask about our new **Avionics Technology** course designed to make you the most desired candidate to our vast number of aviation recruiters!

-Mike Wisniewski
President

Student Spotlight

Our NAA student spotlight for the month of May is Koffi Womitso. Koffi is from a town called Lome in Togo, West Africa. His parents are business owners and he has 3 sisters. Koffi moved here in 2004 and lived in Virginia. He is the winner of a lottery for a U.S. Visa and is now a citizen.

Koffi Womitso-2nd Term



Today Koffi is a Sales Associate at 7-Eleven and is maintaining a 93% GPA with excellent attendance. When he arrived in the U.S., Koffi could barely speak English but has come a long way. He is considered a great classmate and very helpful with other international students.

NEW! -Avionics Technology Course

In April, NAA launched it's new course, Avionics Technology. The purpose of this program is to prepare students for employment as Aviation Maintenance Professionals. The Avionics training will compliment an FAA Airframe and Power Plant certificate or Aviation Maintenance experience. The program is designed to meet the immediate needs of the

industry and set an educational standard that helps support the technical manpower requirement for years to come. The course will prepare students for the U.S. Federal Communications Commission (FCC) License; elements 1, 3, and 7. The Avionics Technology Course is 7 months, 3 Terms, 1000 Hours; 500 Theory and 500 Lab.

Tuition Schedule

for 06/07:

- 6/22/06 \$8,500.00
- 9/7/06 \$9,500.00
- 11/16/06 \$10,500.00
- 2/6/07 \$11,500.00
- 4/24/07 12,500.00



Left: NAA is offering an Introductory Course Tuition Schedule. Interest is pouring in from Repair Stations and industry from Florida to California!



Student Services

Need an Apartment and a Roommate?

Our school is one of the most sought after aviation schools in the world. Therefore, NAA Student Services assists in providing housing and roommates to those students that are in need.

NAA has working relationships with several apartment communities in which our students receive discounts. However, please keep in mind that these discounts can depend on availability and credit worthiness.

Helping Students With:

- Housing & Roommates
- Jobs (Finding part-time jobs)
- Transportation
- Budgeting
- Language training
- Foreign Student services

Attention!!!

Due to availability of apartments, the housing/ roommate deadline for the June 22nd class is **June 1st**. If you have not made arrangements, contact Student Services.

Our Career Services Department has over 500 contacts in the Aviation Industry and right now there are more job openings than graduates to fill them.



Career Development Services

While you are here at NAA, you will receive coaching and counseling in both job hunting and interviewing skills. You will understand the aviation maintenance career ladder and how to make yourself marketable in this industry.

Our Career Services Director will make direct corporate contacts on your behalf and in short; do

everything possible to match your ambitions with a selected aviation maintenance employer.

Note: Industry contacts vary due to timing, availability, logistics, and demand.

Some Industry Contacts:

- MESA
- Goodrich
- Piedmont
- Cessna
- ASA



Future Students of NAA

NAA recruits the finest prospects from all over the world. In return, NAA has prospective students willing to relocate to attend. Whether you are a local student or from out of town, NAA takes pride in the diversity our students bring with them while they grow in our program.

NAA Students From:

- Ohio
- Nebraska
- New York
- Colorado
- New Jersey
- Puerto Rico
- Alaska
- And many more !

International Students From:

- Togo
- South Africa
- Madagascar
- Australia
- Oman
- Japan
- Bahamas