



"Transforming Young Lives Through Flight"

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## **Inner City Students Flying Airplanes May 26, 2009 at Ottawa Executive Airport**

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Grand Rapids, MI. May 20, 2009 -- Local GRPS Students will take discovery flights with the **West Michigan Flight Academy (WMFA)** at 10:30 AM. Students from Dickinson and Coit Elementary schools will be treated to airplane rides because of the great focus and commitment to their work in WMFA's Young Aviators after school program.

The "**Young Aviators Club**" (YAC) introduces students to the world of aviation and related careers, while providing ongoing extended learning opportunities for students. WMFA involve parents and community members as partners in the education process utilizing their skills and knowledge to support the development of YAC.

In addition to flying on May 26<sup>th</sup> students will tour the maintenance facility of Blue Sun Air located at Ottawa Executive Airport to learn more about aircraft maintenance and construction. This is a tour that students will be very interested in, as it relates to their current construction project of radio control airplanes as part of YAC.

WMFA is a non-profit organization dedicated to providing economically disadvantaged inner-city youth the opportunity and the tools to pursue a highly advanced technical career related to the Aviation and Aerospace industries. Creating experiences for students that builds character, develop skills in communication, social, technical, professional discipline and accountability.

**Ottawa Executive Airport is located at 5923 Byron Road Zeeland, Michigan 49464**

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