

### Tips for Students

The Cessna Training program is designed to put you in charge of your flight training. Use the software and tools provided to your advantage. In addition, here are some tips to help you complete your training in less time and save you money.

- 1) Show up prepared
  - a. Be at least as far in the Labs as you are in the flight lessons
  - b. Arrive early and preflight the airplane. Be prepared to answer questions from your CFI regarding the Preflight (oil and fuel Levels, lights, static ports clear, etc)
  - c. Watch the "Flight Preview" video. This will save the CFI from having to explain all of the details of every new maneuver while you are in the air.
  - d. Print out your most recent lab report and the current flight lesson and give it your CFI before the flight (or bring the Syllabus book with you opened to the Flight Lesson you are about to perform). The CFI will then be able to check off each maneuver you are scheduled to perform for that lesson on the paper and then enter it in the computer when you land.
- 2) Schedule your lessons as far in advance as you are able.
  - a. Winds, weather and mechanics play a factor in General Aviation, especially in the Winter months. Having a set schedule in advance will enable you to complete your lessons faster in the event your lesson gets canceled.
  - b. If you are unable to afford flight lessons on a regular basis, consider financing options. Extending your training will actually cost more as you will probably be required to relearn maneuvers from past flights if there is a long delay in your training.
- 3) Conserve the time the engine is running
  - a. Get the latest ATIS on your cell phone or in the CFI room. You can call KRNO ATIS is at 775-348-1550.
  - b. Consider purchasing a hand held radio. If you get ATIS and your Clearance Delivery using a hand held radio, you can save about .1 per flight. In 25 flights, that is 2.5 hours on the hobbs – a hand held radio is under \$200! (Every IFR student should have a backup radio...)
  - c. Know the Shut Down Check List by memory.
    - i. Radios and Switches off (except Beacon)
    - ii. Mixture / Mags / Master (and backup battery in the G1000)
    - iii. Turn off Beacon
    - iv. Verify with Check List