



# The International Air Cadet Exchange

*An opportunity for young people to explore aviation while fostering international understanding and goodwill.*



Each summer, hundreds of cadets from eighteen nations broaden their understanding of aviation and different cultures through the International Air Cadet Exchange (IACE).

*All youth participating in the IACE are cadets engaged in citizenship-building programs with a common mission to become leaders in the global aerospace community.*

Hundreds more youth, families, aerospace professionals and community leaders benefit from the Exchange by serving as hosts, tour guides and escorts, or by simply participating in local activities alongside the international cadets.

### Experiences that last a lifetime

IACE cadets enjoy special access to factories, airports, engineering labs and cockpits around the world as host nations showcase their cutting-edge aerospace technologies. Activities designed for the cadets promote a true sharing of ideas and enthusiasm for aviation and tap into this excitement to advance global friendship.

*The Exchange is a program for all who believe that our common humanity transcends borders.*

### Character development with a global perspective

The Exchange promotes more than a love of aviation. Character development is equally important. Cadets develop a better perspective on the challenges other countries face. The friendships they make through the Exchange help the world combat hatred and intolerance.

**IACE is Leadership.** Among the Exchange's participants, you will find tomorrow's engineers, technicians, scientists, mechanics, pilots and aviation enthusiasts. These aviation leaders of tomorrow will help maintain growth in the aerospace industry, which plays an important role in global commerce and scientific discovery.

**IACE is Education.** Through the Exchange, cadets grow to understand and appreciate the roles different nations play in aerospace. Since today's economy is becoming more global and interdependent, young people develop positive attitudes toward international relations.

**IACE is Friendship.** Volunteer families support the Exchange, opening their homes to the international cadets, who for two weeks live with and become a part of the host family. IACE friends are friends for life.

### Proven programs for youth worldwide

The International Air Cadet Exchange Association, comprised of approximately twenty national youth organizations, orchestrates the Exchange. The association provides program leadership and ensures activities will be worthwhile and memorable. It boasts more than fifty years of success in connecting young people with like-minded people in other lands.

### International Support

The Association's member organizations underwrite many of the costs of the Exchange, including air and ground transportation, host-family expenses, and activity fees.

**IACE is a Partnership.** Aerospace organizations help the Exchange by providing guest speakers, tours, and financial and in-kind donations.

**IACE is Diversity.** The Association and its partners work together to minimise the programs' costs so people from different national and economic backgrounds can participate.

*There are many ways for your organization to support the Exchange. Contact your nation's affiliate to learn how.*



"At first I was a bit disappointed that I was only going to our neighbour country, but afterwards I understand that it doesn't matter where I did go, it's the **people from all the different countries that matter.**"

"I have a hard time imagining that you could do anything **better than this in the world!**"

"The mix of nationalities together with a well planned program made **this the time of my life!**"

"We left there with tears in our eyes because we **felt we were leaving family.**"

"This is something I will remember all my life. I did not want it to end. **I will remember these friends always.**"

"**Aviation matters**—no matter what country you are from."



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