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Scottsdale Aviation Day Art Contest

What's it all about?

Help us celebrate Scottsdale Aviation Day 2008 with a creative art project!

Who can enter the contest?

Individual schools will have their own "internal" contest to determine one winner from each grade level, K - 8. The winner of each grade level will advance to the next level of competition at Scottsdale Aviation Day at the Scottsdale Airport. Final entries will be judged by a panel of aviation professionals and local media personalities.

Students must be enrolled in the current 2008-2009 school year, within the Scottsdale Unified School District or schools within five miles of the Scottsdale Airport. Artwork must be created by individual students--no class or group projects are eligible.

What do I have to make?

Any type of artwork that could possibly be used for future Airport promotions!
Use 11"x17" white paper or poster board (smooth finish paper preferred)
Any medium

Theme suggestions...

- Aviation education
- Aviation safety
- Economic impact of Scottsdale Airport's aviation activity
- Aviation careers
- Aviation as an efficient form of transportation
- Aviation as a hobby
- Kids and aviation

Other than that, the sky's the limit! Be as creative as you want and have FUN! If you have any questions, ask your art teacher at school

How will my artwork be judged?

Creativity!

When is the deadline?

- All entries must be submitted to your art teacher by the deadline they have determined
- Each participating school must submit the final artwork to the Scottsdale Airport by no later than Wednesday, October 15, 2008 at 4:00 pm
- All entries will become the property of the City of Scottsdale

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Winners and Prizes

Winners will be announced on the day of the event, Saturday, November 8, 2008 by the Mayor at the Scottsdale Aviation Day ceremonies.

First place winners and up to two family members will receive a VIP tour of the Scottsdale Airport including the fire station and air traffic control tower, recognition at a Scottsdale City Council meeting, ribbon and certificate. Second and third place winners will receive a ribbon and a certificate.

Background Information for the Development of Your Artwork Concept or Design

Scottsdale Airport is a popular destination for business and vacation travelers. Owned and operated by the City of Scottsdale, its close proximity to corporate offices, world class resorts, retail shops, hotels, restaurants, residential areas, and golf courses provides a great benefit to the neighboring community.

Scottsdale Airport is an ideal choice for vacationers and business travelers because it is near some of the city's annual signature events such as the Barrett-Jackson Classic Car Auction, FBR Open PGA golf tournament and the Scottsdale Arabian Horse Show.

The City of Scottsdale is known throughout the country as a community where quality of life and economic progress are synonymous. The outstanding facilities of the airport, the city lifestyle offered and the amenities of the Scottsdale area have attracted many businesses to the Airport/Airpark. These same facilities and amenities draw general aviation and corporate business travelers from all over the country to visit Scottsdale for business and recreational purposes. As Scottsdale develops into one of the major markets of the Southwest, Scottsdale Airport plays a key role in linking the Scottsdale economy to the Southeast and the nation.

With an average median temperature of 70 degrees, Scottsdale provides the country's best year-round flying conditions. Pilots enjoy an average of 360 days a

year using Visual Flight Rules (VFR), which attracts all types of flying activities and flight training.

Scottsdale Airport is a general aviation reliever facility and is home to many corporate aircraft in the valley. Airport facilities are contained on approximately 300 acres of land in the north central part of Scottsdale, Arizona. Located 7 miles north of Scottsdale's downtown area, the airport is bounded by Frank Lloyd Wright Boulevard on the north, Thunderbird Road on the south, Scottsdale Road on the west and Hayden Road on the east.

The mission at the Scottsdale Airport is to provide users with a safe and secure aircraft operating environment.

With approximately 200,000 takeoffs and landings a year, Scottsdale Airport is one of the busiest single runway facilities in the nation. In 1995, the Arizona Department of Transportation presented Scottsdale with the Arizona Airport of the Year award. In addition, "Professional Pilots Magazine" has rated our Fixed Base Operators located at the airport among the top 50 every year since 1993.

Economic Impact

Scottsdale Airport and its surrounding Commerce Airpark is a major economic asset for the City of Scottsdale. Centrally located in Scottsdale's only industrial-zoned area, the airport and airpark are primary sources of employment. In 2005, the airpark area was headquarters to more than 30 national/ regional corporations and home to nearly 2,200 small and medium sized businesses with more than 42,000 jobs.

The regional economic contributions of aviation activities generated at the Scottsdale Airport are approximately \$180 million per year. This impact originates from a variety of aviation-related activities including charter flight schools, general aviation activities, as well as travel and tourism.

These aviation activities create "spin-off" impacts by providing jobs and support structure for other non-aviation businesses around the community and the state valued at \$3 billion. Scottsdale Airport operates as an enterprise fund with the city, and functions self sufficiently without any general fund subsidy.

History

Scottsdale Airport's history began in June 22, 1942, as Thunderbird Field II, a basic training facility for World War II Army Air Corps pilots. Since its inception, Thunderbird II graduated more than 5,500 students, a total three times greater than the entire total contemplated by the Air Forces' original expansion program. In addition, Thunderbird II pilots flew nearly 26,500,000 miles, more than 3,000 times around the world at the equator. Two years, three months and 24 days later it was deactivated.

Throughout World War II, Thunderbird II devoted its entire facility to the training of more and more cadets. In spite of the intensified training, the field gained a widespread reputation for thoroughness of instruction and high caliber graduates. After the war, Arizona State Teachers College (now Arizona State University in Tempe, Arizona) acquired the airport in order to implement its own aviation program. Distance from the college campus and cost of operating an aviation program soon convinced the college to abandon its plans.

The Arizona Conference of Seventh Day Adventists purchased the Airport in 1953 and established Thunderbird Academy. Former barracks became dormitories. Hangars were adapted to house a wood products industry and a vocation education center offering training in mechanics, woodworking and welding. The airfield itself became a training field for missionary pilots.

In 1963, in order to finance renovation of its physical facilities, the academy commissioned the first combined-use design of a clean industrial park surrounding an airport.

The City of Scottsdale acquired the airfield portion of the academy's property in 1966 and has continued to own and operate it since that time. In 2004, there were more than 450 aircraft based at Scottsdale Airport, from single engine recreational planes to numerous corporate jets. Approximately 200,000 takeoffs and landings occurred, making Scottsdale one of the busiest single-runway airports in the country, and the busiest corporate jet facility in the state. Scottsdale Airpark, the 2,600-acre commercial area that surrounds the airport, has become a national model for airport-based business parks. This model has been achieved through the efforts of numerous City of Scottsdale civic and community leaders.

For more information on the Scottsdale Airport, go to www.scottsdaleairport.com