

AFA Chapters: Sponsor a Teacher; Inspire Many Students!



AFA and CAP provide thousands of youth with hands-on aviation and space activities through AE grants and programs provided to teachers across the nation. From designing model airplanes and launching rockets, to visiting Air Traffic Control towers and taking orientation airplane flights, AFA and CAP are helping teachers promote public awareness of aerospace power and the pivotal role it plays in the security of our nation.

AFA chapters are key in continuing a very successful partnership with the CAP to fulfill our mutual aerospace missions. AFA chapters are encouraged to take advantage of the following special programs for AFA:

- **FREE** CAP Aerospace Education Membership for the AFA Chapter and State Teachers of the Year (teachers can easily join online at www.capmembers.com/joinaem and use Coupon Code AFAToy10 for this free membership opportunity)
- **Half price** membership fee (\$17.50) for chapters to sponsor additional teachers for CAP's AE Membership program



Details for sponsorship program found on reverse side of this flyer.
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For more information or additional "Partners for the Future" brochures, contact Susan Mallett at smallett@capnhq.gov



AFA Chapter Teacher Sponsorship Information

AFA chapters across America can sponsor teachers to become Aerospace Education Members (AEMs) of CAP. The purpose of this sponsorship is to allow AFA chapters an inexpensive avenue to help fulfill their mission to educate the public about the importance of aerospace for our country. Future workforce development, as well as future national security, depends on an educated populace via Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) educational initiatives. The K-12 classrooms of America provide the fertile ground for such education and preparation for the future.

The teacher sponsorship partnership between CAP and AFA waives $\frac{1}{2}$ of the regular \$35 CAP teacher membership fee for AFA-sponsored teacher memberships. It is hoped that the AFA-sponsored teachers will, in turn, become AFA chapter members who will help fulfill the AE mission in the local chapters.

Major Benefits to K-12 Teachers Who Become Aerospace Education Members (AEMs) of CAP:

- Over 20 free CAP national academic standards-based aerospace educational resources for classroom use, to include 675-page comprehensive textbook, *Aerospace: The Journey of Flight*
- Opportunity for participation in aerospace programs, awards, and college credit courses
- Opportunity to apply for \$250 AFA/CAP grants
- Opportunity for free orientation airplane flights in the local community

Major Benefits to the AFA Chapters:

- Inexpensive opportunity to meet AFA chapter AE goals: providing teachers a multitude of STEM products and programs to share with students (\$17.50 per teacher, with each teacher impacting about 60 students per year- thus, student per capita benefit cost is 29¢)
- Opportunity to connect with local K-12 classrooms to inspire and motivate young people to become responsible citizens with a view toward future STEM- related and Air Force careers
- Potential *Teacher of the Year* candidate pool expanded for the AFA chapters
- Potential to recruit AFA chapter members: teachers, school staff, students' families, etc.

Easy AFA Sponsorship Procedures:

- Chapters determine criteria or venues for selection of teachers for chapter sponsorship and provide the teachers with the *Partners for the Future* informational flyers. Suggested venues:
 - Outstanding K-12 teachers who have been recognized in the community
 - Teachers associated with AFA members' families, churches, community organizations, etc.
 - *Pre-service* K-12 teachers in local universities training in areas of STEM curriculum
- Teachers will register online with their credit card at www.capmembers.com/joinaem using Coupon Code AFA10 for the half-price membership. An e-mail confirmation/receipt will be sent to the teachers. The teachers should send that "receipt" to the AFA representative who can then send the teachers a \$17.50 reimbursement check from the chapter. (The teachers' mailing addresses will be on the electronic receipts.)