

# New Student Checklist

1. Discovery flight
2. Sign up for ground school at: [www.groundschool.com](http://www.groundschool.com). When asked for flight instructors email use: [ckeplunkett@outlook.com](mailto:ckeplunkett@outlook.com). This will ensure I can see your progress. You will be signing up for the Private Pilot ground school course.
3. Fill out a student pilot certificate application. This will be done with the help of your CFI. You will need to register an account at <https://iacra.faa.gov/IACRA/Default.aspx>
4. Schedule an appointment to get a flight physical done. If you're planning on making flying a career, or doing any flying for hire, you will need to get a 1st class flight physical done. If you're flying for fun, a 3rd class will be fine.
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## ● Accessories

1. You will eventually need to buy your own dual plug aviation headset. These range from \$100 to \$1300.
2. A subscription to Foreflight is highly recommended, but not required as the iPad in the airplane has Foreflight on it. Foreflight is an app that has all of your aeronautical charts, diagrams and a variety of aviation publications in one app. It's around \$130 for a year. Knowing Foreflight is a requirement for the checkride, so having it on your personal device to get familiar with is encouraged.

## ● Private Pilot Tests

- Obtaining your private pilot certificate consists of three tests. This is the order that you will complete the tests.
  1. FAA written exam.
    - You receive an endorsement to take this test at the end of your online ground school course. There is a testing center in Medford that proctors the test.
  - 2/3. This is what's referred to as your checkride.
    - It consists of an oral exam and a flying portion of the exam. Both are given by a DPE (designated pilot examiner). Your CFI will endorse you for the checkride when you have met the hour requirements and prerequisites for the checkride.