



CERTIFIED FLIGHT INSTRUCTORS



Eric Grant is our other full-time Certified Flight Instructor. Eric grew up in a house just off the end of runway 21R. His passion for flying started early, due to all the normal air traffic constantly over his head. At the age of nine Eric started flying R/C planes with his Dad on a grass strip in our North practice area.

Aviation is a small world, George Coleman, now a fellow flight instructor, actually gave Eric his first flight lesson when Eric was a child. They flew in George Coleman's J-3 Cub out at the grass strip, where Eric was flying his R/C planes. Eric received a few more flights throughout his childhood and adolescence from George.

After high school Eric went to Oklahoma State University for athletics and decided to make the best of schooling while he was there, his Uncle encouraged him to "Follow his dreams and the rest will come". Four years later he graduated with a Bachelors of Science degree in Aerospace Administration and Operations with his Certified Flight Instructor Certificate. He is now currently working towards his Multi-Engine Instructor rating.

In Eric's free time he enjoys working on cars and motorcycles, flying, pistol and long range rifle marksmanship, metallic reloading, archery, hiking, mountain biking, kayaking, custom auto painting, and being outdoors.

The Aviatt Pitts is Eric's favorite type of aircraft because of its stunt plane ability and he would really like to teach aerobatics one day. Some of Eric's long term goals include law enforcement or emergency air lift aviation from both fixed wing and helicopters. Eric says "I want to help people. This is why I started instructing. I want to help others learn how to do things that people told them they couldn't do or reach goals they never thought was possible, that's why I am an instructor."

Mr. Grant says "It's not about the size of the dog in the fight, it's about the size of the fight in the dog."

Ratings

Commercial Pilot

- Airplane Single-Engine Land
- Airplane Multi-Engine Land
- Instrument Airplane

Certified Flight Instructor

- Airplane Single-Engine Land
- Instrument Airplane