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Welcome and thank you for your interest in Minute Man Aviation's flight training! We are passionate about aviation here at MM and would love to help you pursue your aviation goals, whatever they may be. The first step on your path will be attaining your Private Pilot License (PPL), so with that in mind I've outlined our course and attempted to answer some of the most frequently asked questions. Once you have finished perusing the following pages, please feel free to reach out to me in person with any additional questions you may have. Furthermore, the front desk may be able to help with general questions regarding plane/instructor availability and scheduling.

Blue Skies and Tail Winds!

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## Frequently Asked Questions

### How much will it cost and how long will it take?

Good question! The fact is, learning to fly requires a significant dedication of both time and money. More precisely, the minimum flight time required by the FAA to attain a PPL is 40hrs, the national average is around 70hrs. You will see from my attached lesson plan that you can anticipate close to 50hrs. The FAA doesn't set a minimum for ground instruction, but if you choose to train with me you can expect equal parts ground & flight instruction.

Part 2, money. The short answer is, if you budget \$10,000 start to finish, you won't be too far off. The longer answer follows:

Plane (50hrs)	<b>C152</b> (\$80/hr) \$4,000	<b>C172</b> (\$139/hr) \$6,950
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**Flight Instruction** (ground & flight time = 60hrs @ \$40/hr)  
\$2,400

**Ground School** (including books and supplies)  
\$600

FAA Written Exam \$165

FAA Practical Exam \$450

FAA Medical \$100

**TOTAL:** \$7,715 - \$10,665

Note: The above figures are rough, but realistic estimates of what costs you can expect. I don't quote FAA minimums as they simply are not realistic in this day and age of flight training.