

# FLORIDA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY GROWS PILOT 100I FLEET TO 8 AIRCRAFT

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**Piper Aircraft announced the recent delivery of four additional Piper Pilot 100i aircraft to Florida Institute of Technology. These aircraft mark the second installment of Pilot 100i deliveries this year, bringing their fleet total to eight aircraft. With an estimated 80% growth in enrollment over the past three years, including a projected 36% increase in flight operations volume, Florida Tech Aviation looks forward to furthering their growth via the Pilot 100i's well-known operational efficiency throughout the flight training community. Florida Tech currently utilizes a fleet of nearly fifty aircraft, including Archers, Seminoles, Warriors, and now the Pilot 100i.**

Dr. John Nicklow, President of Florida Tech commented: "At Florida Tech, our students learn by doing, and we are eager to get them into the flight deck of these cutting-edge Piper Pilot 100is to start learning with our amazing flight instructors. What makes all of this even more meaningful is that many of our alumni working at Piper helped design, build and test these aircraft. It's a high-flying example of the power of a Florida Tech education in action."

Marc Ouellet , Piper's VP of Engineering and Manufacturing stated: "It's an honor to continue supplying planes to our long-term Flight School Alliance member, Florida Tech. Their program is one of the best, and we know from firsthand experience as we have multiple Florida Tech

graduates working at the Piper factory. We are proud that Piper trainers are known for their ease of use and reliability, and we know that is what makes us the top choice for flight schools' training needs, in addition to our outstanding customer support.”

Following the delivery, the university hosted an exciting event at Florida Tech Aviation, its Melbourne, Florida-based flight school, to celebrate the addition of the new aircraft and recent growth throughout their aviation education programs. Numerous Florida Tech alumni currently working at Piper Aircraft attended, in addition to members of Piper's fleet sales team and executive leadership.

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