Directions from campus to the Ohio State University Airport.

- Take Lane Ave. West to Kenny Rd.
- Turn right and go North on Kenny Rd.
- After Bethel Rd., Kenny becomes Godown Rd.,
- Turn left onto West Case Rd.
- The Airport is on the right.
- Flight Education is adjoined to Hangar 5 in the red brick building.

Parking is free.
Estimated Time: 20 min.

Learn More
Learn more about studying aviation at OSU?

- click on aviation.osu.edu

Schedule a tour of the airport?

- visit http://www.osuairport.org/

osuairport.org
Outreach Office: 614-688-1432
The Ohio State University Airport
2160 West Case
Columbus, OH 43235

Airport tours: Students take an interactive, behind-the-scenes tour of The Ohio State University Airport. Tours are led by airport employees and cover areas such as aircraft maintenance, the observation deck, customer service, the terminal, line service, corporate aviation, and flight education. Participants may also have the opportunity to sit in a training aircraft and learn how the controls are operated (weather, availability, and behavior dependent). Participants: 5+ years.
About the Airport

The history of aviation at The Ohio State University dates back to 1917 when World War I created the need for qualified military pilots. The School of Aeronautics opened in May of that year with 16 cadets. The first landing field was located near the Olentangy River where Ohio Stadium now sits.

In 1942 the University purchased property seven miles north of campus to develop an airport. In 1944 two runways were completed. Flight instruction was offered by the University in the spring of 1945.

Aviation and the Airport Today

The Ohio State University Airport has evolved into a vital general aviation facility serving not only Ohio State students, but local businesses and pilots. Companies like Cardinal Health and Worthington Industries base their flight operations at KOSU. We are the fourth busiest airport in Ohio with more than 75,000 operations a year.

Since the 1960s, Ohio State has offered degree programs in aviation. Students can earn bachelor's degrees in aircraft systems or aviation management. For students who want to fly, Ohio State Flight Education can prepare pilots from the private to multi-engine flight instructor levels. Aviation students can also participate in flight team and other aviation student organizations.

Flight Education

Flight Education at KOSU is an FAA certified Part 141 school certified for training private pilots to multi-engine flight instructors. Flight training includes ground school, simulator sessions and flying. Students train in Cessna 172 Skyhawks, Piper Arrows, a Cirrus, a Piper Super Cub and a Cessna 310.

Aircraft Maintenance

The Ohio State University Airport has a full-time aircraft maintenance shop. Our maintenance crew can provide service from routine inspections to avionics installation and repair. Our mechanics service the Buckeye training fleet as well as privately owned aircraft.

Customer Service

The Customer Service staff at The Ohio State University Airport anticipates and offers a variety of customer services to pilots, passengers and crew. Our staff members are trained, knowledgeable, and provide assistance with car rentals, hotel reservations, catering requests, to name a few.

Line Service

The Line Service staff members greet, park, and tow aircraft. Technicians also "wing walk" which is assisting each other when moving aircraft to and from the ramp area. Other Line responsibilities include fueling aircraft, supplying oil and tire pressure services, and providing electrical power to aircraft.

Air Traffic Control

The Federal Aviation Administration contracts with Midwest Air Traffic Control to provide services to KOSU. Air traffic controllers direct air and ground traffic for safe movement at the airport and in the surrounding airspace.

In addition to these departments, there are several other functional areas within the airport, including administration, facilities maintenance, business office, and outreach.

Many of our departments employ enrolled aviation students. In addition to classroom and flight education, they are able to gain hands-on experience in the day-to-day operation of our general aviation airport.