

## News Release



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### Cessna Skyhawk selected by Turkish Airlines Flight Academy for fleet expansion

FRIEDRICHSHAFEN, Germany (April 23, 2026) — [Textron Aviation Inc.](#), a [Textron Inc.](#) (NYSE:TXT) company, today announced that Turkish Airlines Flight Academy has signed a purchase agreement for 10 [Cessna Skyhawk](#) aircraft, expanding its training fleet to support growing airline pilot demand across Europe. Turkish Airlines Flight Academy currently operates 66 Cessna Skyhawk aircraft, making it one of the largest Skyhawk training fleets in the region. Deliveries of the new aircraft are expected to begin this year.

“The Cessna Skyhawk continues to set the standard for flight training worldwide, offering the reliability, performance and operating efficiency flight schools depend on,” said Lannie O’Bannon, senior vice president, Sales & Marketing. “This order reflects Turkish Airlines Flight Academy’s confidence in the Skyhawk as it continues to scale its training capacity to meet long-term pilot demand.”

Founded in 2013, Turkish Airlines Flight Academy is based in Aydin, Turkey, and operates as a wholly owned flight training organization of Turkish Airlines. The academy trains pilots for Turkish Airlines and other regional carriers, playing a critical role in developing a long-term commercial pilot pipeline.

To meet increasing training requirements, Turkish Airlines Flight Academy has steadily expanded its Skyhawk fleet, taking delivery of 51 aircraft during the past five years. The additional aircraft will further standardize its training operations while reinforcing Textron Aviation’s leadership in the global flight training market.

### About the Cessna Skyhawk

The Cessna Skyhawk is considered the aircraft of choice for pilot training, and it is the most popular single-engine aircraft in aviation history. Since the aircraft first took flight in 1955, over 45,000 Skyhawks have been delivered to customers around the world — more than any other aircraft in the industry. The single-engine four-seat, high-wing Skyhawk is renowned for offering the best combination of modern features, including the Garmin G1000 NXi avionics with wireless connectivity, a standard angle-of-attack display system, and proven dependability. The aircraft also features a McCauley aluminum fixed pitch propeller.

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