

Carry this checklist with you on your school search visits. The checklist includes criteria to help you determine whether the school is a good fit and up to par.

Were you greeted upon arrival?	— Has the school had any accidents? If so, what was the cause? They should be willing to share information based on the accident investigation information.
Were you given a tour of the school?	
Did you have the opportunity to ask questions?	
Did a representative of the school ask about your goals with respect to aviation?	Did you feel comfortable with the representative that was assisting you?
Did they ask for your name and capture your contact information?	Did you feel comfortable during your visit at the school?
Did they ask how you found their school?	Does the school have a Customer Feedback process?
Did they offer to schedule an Introductory Flight? (normally at a reduced rate)	Is the school a member of FSANA? Serious flight schools are FSANA members.
Did they guarantee that you will secure your pilot certificate in a fixed number of hours?	ALSO ASK THESE QUESTIONS:
Did they guarantee that you will secure your pilot certificate with a fixed price?	Ask if the school operates under Federal Aviation Regulation (FAR) Part 61, Part 141 or both.
Did they discuss their insurance levels?	Ask the school how much it will cost you to secure
Did they recommend that you secure Aircraft Renters Insurance?	your pilot certificate.
Does the school require Aircraft Renters Insurance?	Ask them what ground training program (syllabus) they offer.
Did they offer to show you one of their training aircraft?	Ask if you can see their training syllabus. (No syllabus is not a good sign)
How does their aircraft's overall condition appear	Ask about the schools overall safety record.
to you?	If you are seeking to become a career pilot, ask the
Was the aircraft clean?	school about their career track program.
Do they have a flight simulator(s)?	Is the facility a FSANA member school?
Did they offer to show you their flight simulator(s)?	FSANA member flight schools follow the FSANA Code of Ethics for Flight Schools. FSANA member
Did they tell you that you DO NOT need to purchase an aircraft after you earn your first pilot certificate?	schools are serious about their business and are continuously striving toward improvement. Look for a flight school displaying the FSANA insignia.