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REDBIRD OFFERS FREE ACCESS TO A NEW SOLUTION FOR REMOTE FLIGHT INSTRUCTION

The new product, dubbed Redbird Connect, enables flight instructors to guide students through flight simulator sessions from anywhere in the world.

Austin, TX (July 1, 2020) – As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and its impacts on the flight training industry, Redbird Flight Simulations is providing free access to a new product that enables flight instructors to conduct remote flight simulator sessions with students.

The product, dubbed Redbird Connect, provides an effective platform for flight instructors and their students to safely resume flight lessons through flight simulation and video conferencing technology. Connect enables remote access to a web-based version of Redbird's flight simulator operating system, Redbird Navigator, which gives flight instructors full functionality of the system's instructor tools. From anywhere in the world, instructors now will be able to guide and control flight training sessions on Redbird simulators by setting and changing the weather, initiating failures, pausing and unpausing flights, repositioning aircraft, and more.

Redbird Connect also prioritizes the instructor's visibility into training sessions. To allow instructors to track flights and provide scenario-specific guidance, the product includes a split-screen view of the simulated aircraft's primary flight display (PFD) and a moving map display of the flight in progress. Combined with a live video feed of the student, flight instructors can simultaneously oversee the student's hand flying and critical data for the flight.

Redbird Connect is currently in beta testing with flight schools around the United States and is due for release in the next Navigator update this month. Redbird is offering the new product for free as flight schools and instructors adjust their operations for the global coronavirus pandemic. As part of EAA's Spirit of Aviation Week, which takes place July 21-25, 2020, Redbird Connect will power the Virtual Pilot Proficiency Center. An all-online version of the week-long program at EAA AirVenture Oshkosh, the Virtual Pilot Proficiency Center will pair pilots with Certified Flight Instructors (CFIs) to practice a series of scenario-based training exercises for visual flight rules (VFR) and instrument flight rules (IFR).

To utilize Redbird Connect in their flight training, students will be able to download and install the product on any Redbird flight simulator that has the Navigator operating system installed. Both the student and instructor will need a reliable internet connection and access to a third-party video conferencing application. For more information, please visit <https://simulators.redbirdflight.com/beta/connect>.

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About Redbird Flight Simulations, Inc.

Redbird Flight Simulations of Austin, TX was established in 2006 with the specific purpose of making aviation more accessible by using modern technology and careful engineering. Since its inception, Redbird has delivered innovative, reliable, and high-quality training devices to flight schools, colleges, universities, K-12 schools, and individual pilots around the world. With more than 2,000 devices in service worldwide, Redbird has quickly become the fastest growing and most innovative simulator provider in the industry. For more information, please visit www.redbirdflight.com.