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Aviation Camps of the Carolinas **For Immediate Release**

America's First African American Female Navy Pilot opens enrollment for non-profit Aviation Career Youth Camp in Charlotte-Mecklenburg / Union area.

When: June 26th (for 4th-8th grade), June 27th (for 9th-12th grade, incl. Boy Scouts), 2018
Where: Charlotte-Monroe Executive Airport

LCDR Brenda E. Robinson, a licensed pilot, started her 40 year professional aviation career in the US Navy, becoming not only the very first African American, female Navy pilot but also the first to land a plane on an aircraft carrier. While a Navy Reservist, she became a commercial pilot for American Airlines.

She has been interviewed and featured on CNN, PBS, WBTV, WCCB, CN2, and many other broadcast stations. LCDR Robinson was also selected by former Mayor Roberts for the 2016 Candace Advocacy in STEM Education award.

Parents have said:

“What they learned at camp has impacted them in a wonderful way. They have been exposed to something new, fun and exciting. Now we are having conversations about different types of careers in engineering, aviation, military and more. We've always taught our kids that the sky is the limit but now they may just take it literally. They really enjoyed the aviation camp.”

“My son could not stop talking about the camp when he came home! The amazing people he met really had a lasting and positive affect on him to interest him in NASA and flight.”

Named “Aviation Camps of the Carolinas”, a 501c3, the camp gives young people the opportunity to explore a wide-variety of aviation careers, including:

- Air traffic control
- Mechanics
- Airport Management
- Aerospace Design

- Pilot
- Aviation Fire/Rescue
- Commercial/Military/Recreational
- NASA

- Presenters include: Young Eagles, Civil Air Patrol, Medevac, Law Enforcement, & Military.
- Completion of camp satisfies requirements for the Boy Scouts Aviation Merit Badge.
- Camp is recognized as an “educational field trip” by CMS.

Beyond educational – Besides spurring interest in aviation, competition of camp inspires and empowers attendees, boosts their self-confidence, gives them leadership skills and direction in their career search. Many attendees who did not previously display a healthy interest in their public education, find a new motivation for excelling in schoolwork and the true purpose of their current and future educational opportunities.

- Class size is limited. Custom camps are available upon request.
- Further contact: @aviationcamps, aviationcamps.org, #aviationcarolinakids, #SuccessfulAttitude
- Register through AviationCamps.Org, PayPal option.