

100 years of aviation innovation and experience with the mission of educating and inspiring future generations

Selfridge Air Field has a rich history as a military installation and has played a significant role in the development of aviation in the United States. As the second oldest airfield in the country, it has been witness to many important events and milestones in aviation history.

Selfridge Air National Guard Base, as it is known today, is often referred to as the "Home of the Generals" due to the high number of high-ranking military officers who trained there over the years. The base has a long history of hosting many distinguished leaders in the U.S. military such as General Curtis LeMay, Captain Eddie Rickenbacher, Major General Paul Wurtsmith, and Charles Lindbergh, to name a few.

In addition to its notable history, Selfridge Air National Guard Base continues to be an important part of the U.S. Military. The base is home to the 127th Wing of the Michigan Air National Guard, which provides air defense, tactical airlift, and other support services to military operations around the world.

The Selfridge Military Air Museum is an excellent resource for learning about this history and for honoring the men and women who have served at the airfield over the years. The museum offers a variety of exhibits and displays that document the development of aviation technology and the various roles that Selfridge Air Field has played in military history.

Visitors can also learn about the various aircraft that have flown from Selfridge over the years, including fighter planes, bombers, and transport aircraft. Additionally, the museum features a number of artifacts and memorabilia from the early days of aviation, as well as displays of the training and missions of Selfridge personnel during World War II and other conflicts, including Nike missiles from the Cold War.

The new Aviation Education Center currently under construction at Selfridge Military Air Museum will be an exciting addition to the museum's facilities and will provide even more opportunities for visitors to learn about aviation history and technology.

The center will help the museum fulfill its mission to inspire and educate new generations of aviation enthusiasts and professionals. It will feature a range of interactive exhibits and displays, including flight simulators, hands-on activities, and educational programs for students and other visitors, and will be an exciting resource for the continued development of STEM education in Southeast Michigan.

In addition to its educational programs, the Aviation Education Center will also provide a venue for special events and activities, such as aviation workshops, seminars, and conferences. The Aviation Education Center will be a valuable addition to the Selfridge Military Air Museum, and it is sure to be a popular destination for anyone interested in aviation history and technology. Look for news about its completion in the Fall of 2023.

The Selfridge Military Air Museum is an important and fascinating destination for anyone interested in aviation history and military service. Whether you are a veteran of the base, a student, a history buff, or just someone looking for a fun and educational day out, the museum is well worth a visit!



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SELFRIDGE MILITARY AIR MUSEUM is a great place to learn about and appreciate Michigan's military history, featuring 35+ aircraft flown by Michigan military units on display in the air yard. Visitors can tour the C-130 and P-3 Orion aircraft and view more than 100 years of historic artifacts from World War I through the present.

Selfridge is home to 5 military branches of service and gladly welcomes veterans to visit. The Museum is open 11-5 Saturdays and Sundays April - October. Seniors and Military receive a 20% off entrance fee, and Active Duty in uniform are free. Contact: Steven Mrozek, Director





Museum entrance with historical marker Mentioning "Home of the Generals"



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SPAD Hanger with reproduction of WWI, French fighter and ¾ model of Wright flier

And much more!!

World War II display including artifacts from Tuskegee P-39 Airacobra