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United Airlines Hosts Annual Girls in Aviation Day at Newark and Around the Globe

Women leadership at Newark Airport showcases roles and responsibilities to the next generation

NEWARK, NJ Oct. 15, 2018 – United Airlines participated in the annual Girls in Aviation Day over the weekend across the system both at home and abroad, including in its hub at Newark Liberty International Airport. In Newark, the event brought together young women, ages 14-18, from the Boys & Girls Club Newark and Boys & Girls Clubs of Union County to learn from United's women about day-to-day roles, including non-traditionally female roles, and various career opportunities available in aviation.



Photo Caption: Young women from the Boys & Girls Club Newark and Boys & Girls Clubs of Union County gathered at Newark Liberty International Airport on October 13 in celebration of Girl's in Aviation Day to learn from United Airline's women employees.



Photo Caption: Young women from the Boys & Girls Club Newark and Boys & Girls Clubs of Union County gathered inside the cockpit of an airplane at Newark Liberty International Airport on October 13 in celebration of Girl's in Aviation Day with United Airlines.

“United has held a multiyear partnership with both the Boys & Girls Clubs of Newark and Union County, and we were so excited to have these young women be a part of our record number of Girls in Aviation Day events around the world,” said Blenda Riddick, Director of Corporate and Government Affairs for United Airlines. “United is determined to lead in promoting diversity and equality throughout our company - from front line employees to senior leaders all across our global network - and that effort begins with introducing girls to various aviation careers as they begin to think about their own futures.”

“The day opened my eyes to another option for my career,” said LZ’ Shana Jones, a participant from Boys & Girls Club of Newark. “One of the quotes I really liked from the panel was girl power and you can be yourself. Seeing the ladies doing some of the different jobs women do, not just men, was inspiring. Lunch on the plane was amazing! Seeing the beds and showers in Polaris was amazing.”

United is committed to being a leader in advancing women in the aviation industry. As part of the airline’s efforts to break down barriers and promote inclusion while inspiring a future generation of aviation leaders that includes women, United has worked with Women in Aviation for more than 25 years. The airline employs the most female pilots of any major airline, and Girls in Aviation Day is one way United works with the organization to ensure a growing number of female pilots. This year, Newark’s Girls in Aviation Day event was part of a record number of 12 locations around the world.

United Airlines and United Express operate approximately 4,600 flights a day to 357 airports across five continents. In 2017, United and United Express operated more than 1.6 million flights carrying more than 148 million customers. United is proud to have the world's most comprehensive route network, including U.S. mainland hubs in Chicago, Denver, Houston, Los Angeles, Newark/New York, San Francisco and Washington, D.C. United operates 757 mainline aircraft and the airline's United Express carriers operate 551 regional aircraft. The airline is a founding member of Star Alliance, which provides service to 193 countries via 28 member airlines. For more information, visit united.com, follow @United on Twitter or connect on Facebook. The common stock of United's parent, United Continental Holdings, Inc., is traded on the Nasdaq under the symbol "UAL".

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