

I CAN FLY WITH YDF

A Step-by-Step Social Story

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This fun and friendly social story walks you step-by-step through what it's like to travel from Deer Lake Regional Airport. From check-in, to takeoff, to collecting your bag, it helps you know what to expect so you can feel confident and excited about your trip.

We hope you have fun
on your journey!



ARRIVING AT THE AIRPORT

When I arrive at
Deer Lake Regional Airport, I will
look for the Departures door and
follow the signs to check in.



CHECKING IN FOR MY FLIGHT

When we arrive at the airport, we will go to the check-in counter. I will show my ID and travel information if needed. The staff will check my reservation and give me my boarding pass.





CHECKING MY LUGGAGE

If I am checking a bag, I will wait for staff to tell me when it is time to place my suitcase on the belt. I will keep my important items with me in my carry-on bag.

GOING THROUGH SECURITY



At security, I may need to wait in line. I will put my belongings into bins, such as my bag, jacket, and any items in my pockets.



These bins go through a machine to be checked for safety. I may also walk through a scanner. The security staff are there to help keep everyone safe and will tell me what to do next.



GOING THROUGH SECURITY

After my items are placed in bins, I will walk through a scanner. The scanner is used to help keep everyone safe. I may hear beeping sounds or notice other loud noises from nearby machines or people. Sometimes staff may speak clearly or give short instructions. This part is usually quick, and the staff will guide me through it.



FINDING MY GATE



After security, I will look for my gate number on my boarding pass or on the screens in the airport. The gate is the place where I will wait before getting on the airplane. Signs in the airport will help me find the right direction. If I am unsure, I can ask airport staff for help.



WAITING TO BOARD MY FLIGHT

After I find my gate, I will sit or stand in the waiting area. I may need to wait for some time before boarding the airplane. During this time, I can relax, eat a snack, or use a device. There may be announcements over speakers, and the area can be busy or quiet at different times. I will listen for my flight to be called when it is time to board.



BOARDING THE PLANE

When it is time to board, I will walk outside to the airplane. I may need to walk on a ramp that connects the airport to the plane. The ramp may feel different because it can be narrow or slightly sloped. I will follow the people in front of me and go at my own pace. When I reach the airplane door, staff will welcome me and I will find my seat.

FINDING MY SEAT ON THE PLANE

Once I enter the airplane, I will walk down the aisle to find my seat. I will look at my boarding pass to see my seat number. I will match this number to the signs above the seats and the numbers on the sides of the seats. The letter tells me if I am sitting by the window, middle, or aisle. I can place my bag in the overhead bin or under the seat in front of me, and I can ask a flight attendant for help if I need it.





WHEN THE PLANE TAKES OFF

Before takeoff, I will sit in my seat and wear my seatbelt. The airplane may make louder engine sounds as it gets ready to move. The plane will go faster down the runway, and I may feel pushed back into my seat. This feeling is normal during takeoff. Once we are in the air, the noise may change and the plane will feel smoother.



WHEN THE PLANE LANDS

The airplane will land at the airport when the trip is over. I may feel my ears pop as the plane goes down. I will stay seated until it is time to get off the plane.





GETTING MY BAGGAGE

After the flight, I will go to the baggage claim area. I will look at the screens to find the correct carousel number for my flight. Bags will come out on a moving belt, and I will watch for my bag as it goes around. I will take my time and make sure I pick up the correct bag. If I am unsure, I can check the tag on the bag to match it with mine.

**HAVE FUN AT
YOUR FINAL
DESTINATION!**





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