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AVIATION CYBER INITIATIVE

2026

AVIATION CYBER RODEO

Embry-Riddle
Aeronautical University

February 4-5, 2026

Rodeo Director: Veronica Bunn, FAA Veronica.V.Bunn@faa.gov

Embry-Riddle Sponsor: Dan Diessner - Executive Director Center for Aerospace Resilient Systems



Local Travel Information



- Airport: Daytona Beach International Airport, 700 Catalina Drive, Daytona Beach, FL 32114
- Transport: Rental Car, Ride Share (Uber, etc.)
- Hotel Recommendations:

Courtyard Daytona Speedway – Located on Campus
Call for Government Rate | 386.255.3388

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How to Participate



We offer several ways to participate:

- Set up a Student Recruiting and Engagement Table (February 4, 2026).
- Showcase a demo or prototype at a Tech Demo Table (February 4, 2026).
- Explore sponsorship opportunities for the CTF activities (February 5, 2026).
- Participate in the CTF as a 3-person team, with only one person required on site (February 5, 2026).
 - Student teams and COI teams are welcome to participate! Winners in each category

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Student Union & Campus Info: Map & Parking Permit

1 Aerospace Blvd - Mori Hosseini Student Union, Daytona Beach, FL 32114



On-Site POCs:

Tricia Beck-Peter– 813.951.8620

David Hopfe (Tech) – 386.226.7419

[Embry-Riddle DB Campus Map](#)

Please carpool if possible!

ERAU Campus Parking Permit on the next page – please print or pick up at registration. Garage parking is paid by the hour and only the first floor is open to guests.

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Visitor / Special Event Parking Permit

Name: Aerospace Cyber Week 2026

Duration of Event: February 2nd-6th, 2026

Restrictions: This special parking permit is valid **only for surface parking lots**. It **does not** apply to the following areas:

- University reserved spaces
- Parking garages, unless parked on the first floor and paying the hourly or daily rate
- Handicap spaces, unless the vehicle displays a valid state-issued handicap plate or placard

Please display this parking permit in clear view on the vehicle dashboard.

Please report any parking issues to ERAU Campus Safety at **386.226.6480**.

⚠ Important: Vehicles parked in garage reserved spaces are subject to towing at the owner's expense. All numbered spaces are reserved.

Issue Date: December 9, 2025

Issuing Official: Campus Safety 110

Embry-Riddle Dining Options

- Venue is centrally located
- Multiple options for food & coffee
- Student Union restaurants open for breakfast and lunch



ACI Cyber Rodeo - Agenda



Tuesday, February 3, 2026: Pre-ACI Cyber Rodeo Activities

3:00 PM – 5:00 PM: Recruiter Set Up

5:00 PM: Event Hall Closes

Day 1 – Wednesday, February 4, 2026: Aviation Cyber Education & Networking Day (In-Person)

Masters of Ceremonies: Veronica Bunn, Dan Diessner, and Dr. Sean Crouse

- 7:30 AM – 9:00 AM: Recruiter Set Up
- 9:00 AM: Event Hall Opens to Students
- 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM: Ernie the Eagle and Curtis Kline Onsite
- 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM: Participant Lunch Break
- 1:00 PM – 1:30 PM: Cyber Rodeo Welcome & Opening Comments
- 1:30 PM – 2:00 PM: CTF Technical Overview
- 2:05 PM – 4:40 PM: Tech Briefings, Tech Expo, Poster Session, and CTF Icebreaker
- 4:45 PM – 5:00 PM: CTF Day Preparation Briefing with Q&A
- 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM: Tailgate Party & Networking Social
- 6:00 PM: Event Hall Closes

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ACI Cyber Rodeo – Day Two Capture the Flag Competition



Day 2 – Thursday, February 5, 2026: Capture The Flag (CTF) Competition (In-Person & Virtual)

Masters of Ceremonies: Veronica Bunn (FAA/ACI 2024 ACI Cyber Rodeo Director) & Dan Diessner (CARS Executive Director) & Sean Crouse (Cyber Rodeo Lead)

- 8:00 AM: Event Hall Opens to Students
- 8:35 AM: Welcome Remarks by Dr. Jeremy Ernst
- 8:45 AM: CTF Kickoff Opening Remarks
- 9:00 AM: Formal Kickoff
- 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM: Capture the Flag Competition
- 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM: Participant Lunch Break
- 4:30 PM – 4:45 PM: CTF Wrap-Up and Award Presentation
- 5:00 PM: Adjourn
- 6:00 PM: Event Hall Closes

Virtual Participants Notes:

- [Join the Zoom Meeting at this link](#)
- Zoom Start at 8:00 ET with time countdown to 8:30 ET
- Virtual can listen into the Kick-Off Opening Remarks
- Monitored Zoom chat for virtual participants begins 0800 ET
- Educational day elements will be available to explore and learn.

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