



TJ UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLE CLUB



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2025 - 2026

ABOUT US

We are **Thomas Jefferson High School's Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Club**. At TJUAV, we are dedicated to advancing our knowledge in **aeronautical engineering**. For the past few years, we designed and manufactured an **Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV)** to compete in the **SUAS Competition by RoboNation**, an internationally recognized event that simulates a search and rescue operation.

Through TJUAV, students can...

- Explore aviation and engineering concepts through **large-scale, hands-on projects**
- Gain hands-on experiences through:
 - Proposing ideas
 - Testing designs
 - Refining prototypes
- Develop solutions to competition challenges in a **collaborative environment**

SUAS COMPETITION

SUAS by RoboNation is an international, collegiate competition that has hosted **over 75 teams** in recent years. SUAS's mission is to simulate an unmanned search and rescue situation.

The competition was held at **St. Mary's County Regional Airport (2W6)** in St. Mary's County, Maryland.

More information about the competition can be found here:
<https://suas-competition.org/>

CURRENT COMPETITIONS

Currently, we are considering new competitions to compete in, but we still need funding to build a competitive UAV.

Financial assistance would go a long way to help us achieve our goals and learn valuable skills in the field.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

2019:

In 2019, it was our **first year competing** at the SUAS competition. We developed the **Razgriz**, a Skywalker X8 airframe that was modified to fit radios in the fuselage and a camera in the nose of imagery.

- We placed **23rd overall out of 75 teams** and **18th in Mission Demonstrations**.

2020 & 2021:

For 2020, we developed the **Hyperion**, a Skywalker Titan airframe that was modified to fit a UGV payload drop mechanism, radios for communication, and a camera gimbal for the imagery system.

For 2021, we constructed the **Avalon V1**, the first plane that we made **completely from scratch**.

- Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the 2020 and 2021 SUAS competitions were cancelled.

2022:

For **Avalon Mk 2** and **Mk 3.5**, we modified the Avalon Mk 1 by interchanging its foam board wings for a monokote covering and a plastic shrink wrap material.

- We placed **23rd overall out of 71 teams** and **tied 18th in Mission Demonstrations**.

2023 & 2024:

We created **Avalon MkX and Mk XI**, we altered Avalon Mk 3.5 with 3d printed bulkheads, covered with foam panels, larger battery, and a more compact electronics bay and payload section.

Unfortunately in 2024, **Mk XI crashed** during the SUAS competition.

- In 2023, we placed **14th overall out of 72 teams** and **tied 2nd in Mission Demonstrations**.
- In 2024, we placed **44th overall out of 69 teams** and **tied 4th in Mission Demonstrations**.

2025

We designed **Icarus** from scratch to compete in the SUAS Competition. Unfortunately, **Icarus** crashed before we could complete the Flight Test video for the competition.

- However, we were fortunate to have the opportunity to attend the competition as guests and chat with other teams about their UAVs.

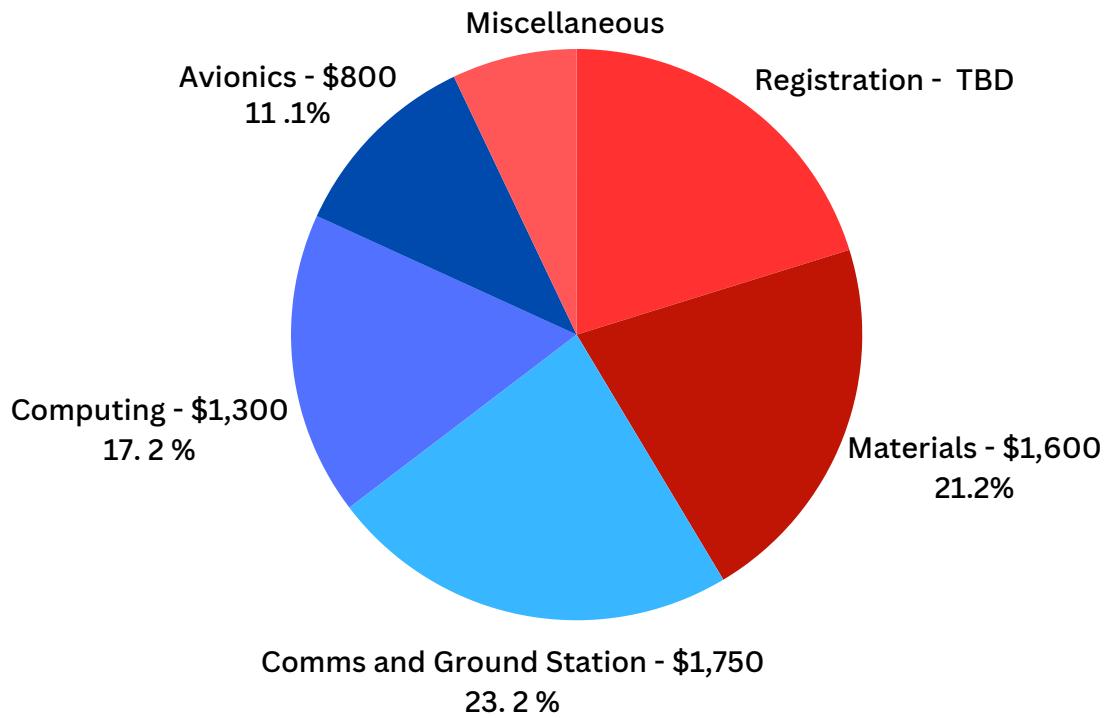
Present

We repaired the damage on Icarus from the crash.

We are drafting the design for a new plane while actively looking for a new competition to compete in due to the location change of the 2026 SUAS Competition.

EXPENSES

Here is our projected budget for this year. We are seeking donations of **materials**, **equipment**, and **funds** to support our participation in a **competition**. This year, our team is improving the designs of our current aircraft. To achieve this, we need a variety of **materials** and **resources** that we currently lack. Your support will be essential for us to successfully compete in a competition.



Management

- Registration:
TBD

Software

- Computing:
\$1,300
- Comms and
Ground
Station:
\$1,750

Hardware

- Materials:
\$1,600
- Avionics:
\$800

Total Projected Expenses: \$5,450

SPONSORSHIP TIERS

We sincerely thank you for your sponsorship and aim to **recognize** and **promote** your organization in meaningful ways. As a sponsor, your organization will **gain visibility** through its name being showcased on our **website**, our **competition plane**, and other **team materials**. Additionally, other benefits include **social media spotlights**.

Tiers Benefits

BRONZE **UNDER \$500**

- Your organization's name, logo, and sponsorship displayed on our **website**.
 - Your organization's name on our **Technical Design and Flight Readiness Review video**.
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SILVER **\$500-1000**

- Includes **BRONZE** benefits, PLUS
 - Your organization's name and logo displayed on our **competition plane**.
 - Your organization's name and logo displayed on our **team shirts**.
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GOLD **\$1000+**

- Includes **SILVER** benefits, PLUS
 - Your organization's name and logo displayed on **all team materials, banners, and social media accounts**.

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