



GATEWAYS TO BLUESKIES

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RepAir: Advancing Aircraft Maintenance

NASA's 2026 Gateways to Blue Skies (GBS) competition asks collegiate student teams to conceptualize novel aviation maintenance advancements that can be implemented by 2035 with the goal of improving efficiency, safety, and costs for the industry.

Awards & Prizes

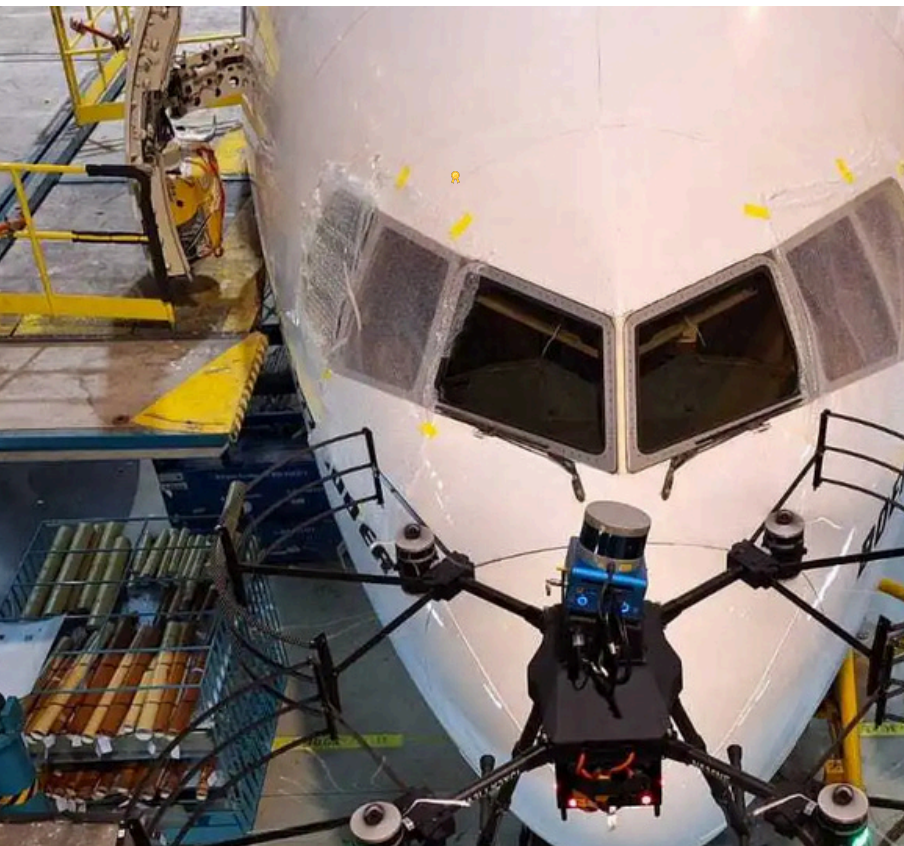
Phase 1: Proposal Submission

Up to 8 teams will be selected to receive **\$9,000 each** and advance to Phase 2.

Phase 2: Technical Paper and Forum Presentation

Teams submit a technical paper & infographic, and give an in-person presentation during the GBS Forum at NASA's Langley Research Center in May 2026.

Winning team members will be offered **NASA internships!**
(Additional eligibility requirements apply)



Eligibility*

Eligibility is limited to teams of **2-6 students** at accredited U.S.-based post-secondary institutions, including technical colleges, community colleges, colleges, and universities.

*See [Participation Agreement](#) for full program eligibility.

Important Dates

PHASE 1

Notice of Intent Deadline

Rolling until 11:59 PM February 16, 2026

Q&A Sessions

November 20, 2025 | January 26, 2026

Proposal & Video Submission Deadline

February 16, 2026

Phase 1 Winners Announced

March 13, 2026

PHASE 2

Technical Paper Deadline

May 3, 2026

Blue Skies Forum

May 18-20, 2026 (Subject to Change)

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