



Special Assistance Tours & Workshops – Columbus Airport

Services available through John Glenn International Airport (Columbus)

- Special assistance tour – including ticketing, security, and gate process.
- Practice boarding airplane through your specific airline
- “Fear of Flying” Workshops

**All tours free of charge*

Setting up a Special Assistance Tour:

1.) Contact **Barb Varga**

Phone: 614-239-4006

E-mail: bvarga@columbusairports.com

2.) You will be given a checklist about your child’s specific needs – complete this checklist before the tour.

3.) Schedule tour. (Special assistance tours are typically scheduled to take place 1 week before your scheduled flight.)

Guidelines for setting up a tour:

- Contact about scheduling a tour at least 2 weeks before your scheduled flight.
- Tours are conducted Monday-Friday between 10am – 3pm, and last approximately 1 hour.
- When speaking with Barb, state that you are: a parent/caretaker of a child on the autism spectrum, and would like to schedule a special assistance tour for [airline you are flying].

Tour Information:

- Parents are encouraged to bring a backpack with them to the tour, so that their child can practice the divesting process through security checkpoint
- Children under 12 do not have to remove their shoes
- Tours are limited to children 6 years and older

Facing Take-Off/Fear of Flying Workshop:

- Contact Barb Varga for workshop information, and to register (614-239-4006, bvarga@columbusairports.com)

Resources:

<http://flycolumbus.com/at-port-columbus/special-assistance>

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