



NTSB RECORD OF CONVERSATION

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Person Contacted: Gary Schneider (Student Pilot)
NTSB Accident Number: GAA18CA425

The following is a summary of a telephone conversation with the above mentioned:

The student pilot reported that, during a solo flight, he decided to practice landings in the traffic pattern. During the traffic pattern, he was low on the downwind leg and corrected. During the landing flare, he went to round out and felt that nothing was there and pulled back on the controls too sharp. The airplane ballooned, he tried to stabilize, but the airplane landed hard. Unbeknownst to him, the propeller struck the runway, he went around the traffic pattern again, and landed. He taxied the airplane back to the ramp without further incident.

The student pilot reported that he had about 205 hours and that the accident was a “mistake” on his part.

The student pilot reported that there were no preimpact mechanical failures or malfunctions with the airplane that would have precluded normal operation.