



# THE **2022** ANNUAL CONFERENCE

**MARCH 20-23** TARRANT COUNTY COLLEGE  
FORT WORTH, TEXAS

▶ PRESENTED BY American Airlines



LOCKHEED MARTIN



WELCOME TO  
THE 2022 ATEC

# ANNUAL CONFERENCE

PRESENTED BY American Airlines  LOCKHEED MARTIN 



**TARRANT COUNTY  
COMMUNITY COLLEGE**  
Trinity River Campus

300 Trinity Campus Circle  
Fourth Floor Main Building  
Fort Worth, TX 76102



703.548.2030  
ATEC-AMT.ORG

P.O. BOX 234  
JENKS, OK 74037

## ▶ TABLE OF CONTENTS

- 1 Letter from the  
Committee Chairman
- 2 Conference Agenda
- 10 Speakers
- 20 Exhibitors
- 23 Employer Link Sponsors
- 24 Award Recipients
- 27 Attendees
- 35 Attendees by Company



***Fellow Conference Attendees:***

Welcome to the great state of Texas! As a proud representative of Texas State Technical College, I could not be more excited to host this year's event in the Lone Star State.

This year's program was a long-time in the making. When we began planning the agenda in the summer of 2019, we had no idea what was ahead of us, and the devastating impact COVID-19 would have on our communities. Some of the conference themes—community outreach, pathways, leadership—resonate even louder after two years of pandemic, and we are grateful to finally be able to share this long-anticipated program.

Dedicated volunteers have contributed an unsurpassed amount of resources and energy to ensure this year's event is a success. We are indebted to each of the council leaders listed below—and many, many others—who have developed content, recruited support, spread the word, and made financial contributions to this year's event.

A special thanks goes out to our sponsors; in particular American Airlines and Lockheed Martin, for not only providing funds, but for sticking with the event through two cancellations. The unyielding support for education and workforce development is apparent and we are grateful to be part of such a great community.

We hope you enjoy the event and your trip to Fort Worth,

**Kelly Filgo**  
ATEC Annual Conference Chair

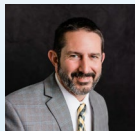
---

*BOARD OF DIRECTORS*

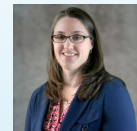
---



**Gary Hoyle**  
*President*



**James Hall**  
*Vice President*



**Karen Johnson**  
*Treasurer and  
ATEC Journal Editor*



**Ryan Goertzen**  
*Immediate Past  
President*



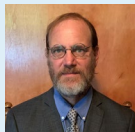
**Jared Britt**  
*Director and Legislative  
Committee Chair*



**Jeffrey Dunagan**  
*Director and  
Communications  
Committee Chair*



**Sean Gallagan**  
*Director and Regulatory  
Committee Chair*



**Mark Holloway**  
*Director*



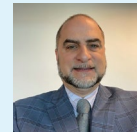
**Kelly Filgo**  
*Director and Annual  
Meeting Committee Chair*



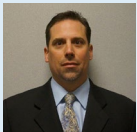
**Daniel Philips**  
*Director*



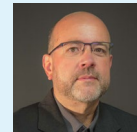
**Kim Pritchard**  
*Director and Membership  
Committee Chair*



**Michael Sasso**  
*Director*



**Luke Solomon**  
*Director*



**Kent Stauffer**  
*Director*

# CONFERENCE AGENDA

## SUNDAY, MARCH 20, 2022

- 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM **Exhibitor Setup—Action**
- 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM **Registration**
- 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM **Board Meeting—Point**
- 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM **Committee Meetings—Action**
- 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM **Welcome Reception—Reata Restaurant, 310 Houston St.**

sponsored by



## MONDAY, MARCH 21, 2021

- 7:00 AM - 4:00 PM **Registration**
- 7:00 AM - 3:00 PM **Exhibit Hall—Action**
- 7:00 AM - 8:00 AM **Breakfast**

sponsored by



- 8:00 AM - 9:00 AM **Welcoming Remarks, Exhibitor & Employer Spotlight**  
Get a round-the-room introduction of exhibitors and employers participating in the Employer Link.

**James Clinton Grant**

*Dean of Aviation, Business and Logistics Division, Tarrant County College*

**Kelly Filgo**

*Aviation Maintenance Lead Instructor at Texas State Technical College & ATEC Annual Conference Committee Chair*

- 9:00 AM - 9:15 AM **Coffee Break**



- 9:15 AM - 10:00 AM **General Session I: What Have We Done for You Lately—Energy**  
Hear about the latest association initiatives and what the council is doing through and for its members.

**Gary Hoyle**

*Director of Campus Operations, Pittsburgh Institute of Aeronautics & ATEC President*

**Crystal Maguire**

*Executive Director, ATEC*

**ATEC Committee Chairs**

10:00 AM - 10:15 AM

**Coffee Break**

sponsored by



10:15 AM - 11:00 AM

**General Session II: Aviation Policy Update**

Get an overview of Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) initiatives impacting aviation maintenance technician education, including the new part 147 expected to publish as an interim final rule this spring.

**Kevin Morgan**

Manager, Airman Section, Aircraft Maintenance Division, FAA

11:00 AM - 11:45 AM

**General Session III: The Regulator's Role in Aviation Workforce Development**

Get an overview of FAA priorities in workforce development and how the agency is addressing the need for aviation professionals through strategic partnerships and inspiring youth from diverse backgrounds to pursue aviation careers.

**Miranda Haywood**

Manager, Procurement Services and Grants Management Division, FAA

**Chris Sharp**

Manager, Aviation Workforce and Education Division, FAA

11:00 AM - 3:00 PM

**Employer Link  
Student Career Fair—Main Street (Level 2)**

Students meet with aviation recruiters to explore career opportunities.

Student Lunch provided by



11:45 AM - 1:00 PM

**Awards Luncheon—Action**

sponsored by



Northrop Rice Foundation and JSfirm.com present the ATEC Student and Educator of the Year, and Choose Aerospace recognizes scholarship awardees.

1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

**General Session IV: Emerging Technologies**

The future is coming, if it isn't here already. Hear about new products on the horizon, what will be required of maintainers working on these new applications, and how educators can start incorporating emerging standards into their curriculums now to better prepare the workforce of the future.

**Brad Hayden**

Founder and CEO, Robotic Skies

**Stephen Ley**

Associate Professor, Utah Valley University

**David Oord**

Policy Manager, Wisk

**Kim Pritchard**

Technical Training Manager, Zipline International, Inc.

**MODERATOR Justin Madden**

Executive Director of Government Affairs, Aircraft Mechanics Fraternal Association

2:00 PM - 2:15 PM

## Coffee Break

2:15 PM - 3:15 PM

## General Session V: Plane Talk

Employers are hiring, what are they looking for? Have a candid discussion with recruitment personnel about hiring criteria, candidate shortfalls, and workforce need projections.

### **Riki Donner**

*Regional Director, People, Aviation Technical Services*

### **Robin Merriman**

*Talent Acquisition Manager, Textron Aviation*

### **Margaret Muller**

*Director of Talent Management, PSA Airlines*

### **Gabe Rios**

*Senior Recruiter, Southwest Airlines*

### **Sean Toth**

*Vice President Technical Services, Republic Airways Holdings*

### **MODERATORS**

### **Kozetta Chapman**

*Senior Manager Technical Operations Recruiting & Development, American Airlines*

### **Tyrone Flynn**

*Senior Analyst Regional Operations, American Airlines*

3:15 PM - 4:00 PM

## Employer Link: Educator-Recruiter Meet and Greet—Main Street (Level 2)

Catch the tail-end of the Career Fair and connect with corporate recruiters to build partnerships and aid student placement.

5:00 PM

Shuttle bus departs **Renaissance Hotel** at **200 Main Street**  
for **CR Smith Museum** at **4601 Hwy 360**

5:30 PM - 8:30 PM

## Reception and Dinner—CR Smith Museum

*sponsored by*



### **American Airlines**

Join us in the museum's theater for a panel discussion with American Airlines executives. Then tour the museum, tinker with the simulators, and mix and mingle for a cocktail hour and dinner.

### **Kevin Brickner**

*Senior Vice President Tech Ops*

### **Greg Emerson**

*Vice President, Base Maintenance*

### **Evie Garces**

*Managing Director, Maintenance Operations Control*

### **Mark Miner**

*Vice President, Line Maintenance*

### **Cedric Wilson**

*Managing Director, Line Maintenance*

### **MODERATOR Kozetta Chapman**

*Senior Manager Recruiting & Development*

**TUESDAY, MARCH 22, 2022**

7:00 AM - 4:00 PM **Registration**

7:00 AM - 4:00 PM **Exhibitor Hall—Action**

7:00 AM - 8:00 AM **Breakfast**  
sponsored by



8:00 AM - 8:45 AM **Keynote Address—Energy**

**Dr. Don Kinard**  
Senior Fellow - Production Operations, Lockheed Martin

8:45 AM - 9:00 AM **Coffee Break**  
sponsored by



▶ **BREAKOUT TRACKS** 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

ADMINISTRATION —POWER	REGULATION —ENERGY	PATHWAYS —WIN	TEACHING —CONNECT	CREDENTIALING —SPEED
9:00 AM - 10:00 AM				
<b>1-1</b> Community Outreach	<b>2-1</b> FAA Part 147	<b>3-1</b> Tango Flight	<b>4-1</b> Going Online	<b>5-1</b> NC3
10:15 AM - 11:15 AM				
<b>1-2</b> New Tech Case Study	<b>2-2</b> Airman Certification Standards	<b>3-2</b> AOPA STEM Curriculum	<b>4-2</b> Aircraft Record-keeping	<b>5-2</b> NC3
11:15 AM - 12:30 PM		<b>Lunch—Action</b>		sponsored by
12:30 PM - 1:30 PM				
<b>1-3</b> New Tech Workshop	<b>2-3</b> Airman Testing	<b>3-3</b> Choose Aerospace	<b>4-3</b> Augmented Reality	<b>5-3</b> NC3
1:45 PM - 2:45 PM				
<b>1-4</b> Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion	<b>2-4</b> Examiner Designation	<b>3-4</b> Big Ideas	<b>4-4</b> Leadership	<b>5-4</b> NCATT AET

# CONFERENCE AGENDA

2:45 PM - 3:00 PM

## Coffee Break

sponsored by



3:00 PM - 4:00 PM

## Closing Remarks & Exhibitor Door Prizes—Action

4:00 PM

## Exhibitor Break Down

4:30 PM - 8:00 PM

Shuttle bus service looping from **Renaissance Hotel at 200 Main Street** to **Billy Bob's Texas at 2520 Rodeo Plaza**

5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

## Honky Tonk—Billy Bob's Texas

sponsored by



Join conference attendees for drinks, dinner, and friendly Fort Worth hospitality at the World's Largest Honky Tonk!



## WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23, 2022

8:45 AM - 4:00 PM

## Facility Tours

Pre-registration required. Given parking limitations and security considerations, attendees are asked to take advantage of shuttle bus service to the tours.

### OPTION 1

10:30 AM

#### Bus departs hotel

11:00 AM - 12:30 PM

#### Tarrant County Aviation Program Tour and Lunch

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

#### American Airlines Tour

After the tours, the shuttle bus will make a drop at DFW Airport terminal before returning to the hotel.

### OPTION 2

8:45 AM

#### Bus departs hotel

9:30 AM - 11:30 AM

#### American Airlines Tour

12:00 PM - 1:30 PM

#### Aviation Institute of Maintenance Tour and Lunch

2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

#### Southwest Tour

After the tours, the shuttle bus will make a drop at Dallas Love Field Airport terminal before returning to the hotel.

5:00 PM

## Fort Worth Ale Trail—701 Galveston Avenue

Stay one more night! Grab a cab and meet fellow attendees at our first craft beer brewery crawl stop, Rahr & Sons Brewing Company .

## THURSDAY, MARCH 24, 2022

8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

## FAA Designated Mechanic Examiner Renewal—Connect

Required recurrent training presented by the FAA, advanced registration is required. Food and drink options are available in the TCC café, open for breakfast from 7-10 AM and lunch from 11-2 PM.



### **1-1 Raising Awareness: A Community-Based Initiative**

Our institutions are most impactful when they link students and faculty with the communities around them. Hear about a High School Dual Enrollment program between AIM and Irving High School, where students begin their A&P program in 11th and 12th grade before transitioning to AIM after graduation; and about Fly Norfolk, a summer program that provides students with age-appropriate education and career exploration in aerospace and helps inner city children explore the possibilities of pursuing careers in aviation. Presenters will guide attendees on how they can build community-based efforts within their home municipalities and hear from a state representative and city mayor on the impact of this programming within their communities.

***The Honorable Kenneth Alexander, Ph.D., Mayor, City of Norfolk & Chancellor of Aviation Institute of Maintenance***

***Ben Clark, Associate Director of Academic Affairs, Aviation Institute of Maintenance***

***Chris Coley, Campus Executive Director, Aviation Institute of Maintenance***

***Dr. Joel A. English, Executive Vice President, Aviation Institute of Maintenance***

***The Honorable Carl Sherman, Sr., Representative, Texas House of Representatives***

---

### **1-2 Case Study: Incorporating Emerging Technologies**

Electric planes have arrived. Hear about one company's search for a new talent source, and the educational partner helping it generate a consistent flow of highly skilled applicants.

***Kent Stauffer, Chief Safety Officer, Constant Aviation***

### **1-3 Workshop: Incorporating Emerging Technologies**

Innovators will always move faster than regulators, and aviation technical education will often be caught in the middle. How can we prepare students to serve industry needs while also satisfying regulatory mandates required to produce certificated mechanic? Council leaders solicit the community's feedback to develop recommendations and a plan of action.

***Stephen Ley, Associate Professor, Utah Valley University***

***Rick Ochs, Chief Executive Officer, Spirit Aeronautics***

---

### **1-4 Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI): Embrace the Opportunity!**

Aviation is an evolving career, we must embrace the opportunity to build a pipeline of future leaders. In this session, we will define key DEI terms, identify the benefits of DEI in aviation, and explore methods to intentionally build a diverse team to meet the needs of those in your span of care. We will also share American's Technical Operations strategy to improve DEI and create a culture of belonging!

***Kozetta Chapman, Senior Manager Recruiting & Development, American Airlines***

***Candy Young, Sr. Specialist, Training Compliance and Standards, American Airlines***

---

### **2-1 Get the Details on the New Part 147**

A new part 147 will come into effect this year. Hear about the timeline for the interim final rule, the implementation plan, and supplemental information coming down the pike, including guidance material and mechanic airman certification standards.

***Jackie Black, Manager, Aircraft Maintenance Division, FAA***

***Kevin Morgan, Manager, Airman Section, Aircraft Maintenance Division, FAA***

## 2-2 Airman Certification Standards

New airman certification standards are on the way. Understand the purpose behind the new standards and how they will impact mechanic testing and training.

*Robert Reckert, Manager, Regulatory Support Division, FAA*

---

## 2-3 Developments in Airman Testing

Hear about improvements to the way the FAA facilitates and assesses applicants. Get an overview of the system, the data analysis capabilities that are and will be possible, and how reporting will aid a school's ability to evaluate the quality of its program.

*Robert Reckert, Manager, Regulatory Support Division, FAA*

*Ryan C. Smith, Program Manager, Airman Testing Standards, FAA*

---

## 2-4 Getting Designated as an Examiner

Get an overview of the steps required to receive a mechanic examiner designation, factors the local office takes into consideration when making designations, and how a school can navigate a shortage of testing capacity in their community in partnership with the agency.

*Trey McClure, Manager, Delegation Program Branch, FAA*

*Robert Reckert, Manager, Regulatory Support Division, FAA*

---

## 3-1 Ready for Takeoff: Meet Tango Flight

Tango Flight is a nonprofit created to inspire the next generation of engineers, pilots, aviation mechanics and technicians. The Tango Flight curriculum provides meaningful classroom learning with real hands-on training through building of an actual, FAA-certified airplane.

*Craig Anthony, Marketing Director, Tango Flight, Inc.*

*Dan Weyant, Executive Director, Tango Flight, Inc.*

## 3-2 AOPA High School STEM Curriculum

The Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association (AOPA) Aviation STEM Curriculum offers students comprehensive four-year study options and prepares students for aviation and aerospace STEM careers. Courses are aligned to educational and FAA standards and are available FREE to US high schools. Hear about the program, its growth, and implementation requirements.

*Glenn Ponas, Director of High School Outreach, Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association*

---

## 3-3 Choose Aerospace Aviation Maintenance Curriculum

A new program will increase awareness of aviation technical careers and provide opportunities for part 147 programs and industry employers to partner with secondary education to build workforce pipelines. Hear about the platform and how to implement it in your community.

*Ryan Goertzen, Vice President Maintenance Workforce Development, AAR Corp & President, Choose Aerospace*

*Zachary Trabookis, Lead Developer, Clemson University Center for Workforce Development*

---

## 3-4 Big Thinkers Addressing Big Challenges

Industry is coming up with new ways to combat a looming workforce crisis and strengthen the talent pipeline through recruitment of groups that historically have been under-represented in aviation. Hear about registered apprenticeship and a pilot program to mentor and develop women in aviation maintenance.

*Ryan Goertzen, Vice President Workforce Development, AAR Corp*

*Barbara Murray, Executive Director, ACCElerate*

#### **4-1 Going Online: Whether You Liked it or Not**

How did aviation maintenance technician schools maintain academic continuity during the pandemic? A panel will share results from a study about the learning responses and how certificated programs approached pandemic-related challenges to keep training students.

*Dr. Karen Johnson, Associate Professor, Southern Illinois University Carbondale*

*Stephen Ley, Associate Professor, Utah Valley University*

*Sheryl Oxley, Aviation Program Coordinator, Tulsa Technology Center*

*Dr. Katie Shakour, Research Associate, Clemson University Center for Workforce Development*

---

#### **4.2 The Trouble with Logbooks**

The Foundation for Business Aircraft Records Excellence seeks to improve the state of aircraft recordkeeping through education and awareness. Get stories, tips, information, and resources that will enrich any maintenance documentation or aircraft recordkeeping course.

*Dr. Sean Gallagan, Chief Executive Officer, Aviation Workforce Solutions*

*Larry Hinebaugh, Executive Director, Foundation for Business Aircraft Records Excellence*

---

#### **4.3 Implementing Augmented and Virtual Reality in the Classroom**

Get a demo of high-tech visualization tools that one aviation maintenance program is exploring and discuss the practical hurdles that must be overcome to deploy VR in the classroom, from developing curriculum to training faculty.

*Robert Capps, Statewide Department Chair, Texas State Technical College*

*Kelly Filgo, Aviation Maintenance Lead Instructor, Texas State Technical College*

#### **4.4 Elevate Your Leadership**

Intended for new leaders, this session reviews a broad scope of educational and leadership theories and how they apply to your faculty. Upgrade your leadership toolkit in a lively group discussion format.

*Robert Capps, Statewide Department Chair, Texas State Technical College*

*Kelly Filgo, Aviation Maintenance Lead Instructor, Texas State Technical College*

---

#### **5-1, 5-2, & 5.3 NC3 Stackable Industry Credentials**

Learn about stackable industry certifications from Snap-on and partners like Daniels Manufacturing and Starrett. Take part in some of the best “ah-ha” moments of certifications on Precision Electrical Termination, Mechanical and Electronic Torque Instruments, and Structural Sheetmetal Assembly.

*Earl Bailey, Senior Manager Education Partnerships, Snap-on Tools*

---

#### **5-4 Aircraft Electronics Technician Personnel Certification**

How are schools utilizing non-A&P programs to better serve industry? How are industry-developed credentials supporting workforce needs that aren't being met through traditional FAA-driven certifications? Hear from credentialing experts on one approach intended to better prepare students for today's career opportunities and fill the growing need for avionics technicians.

*Steve Kane, Executive Director, SpaceTEC/CertTEC*  
*William Tramper, President, CES Trainers*



## The Honorable Kenneth Alexander

Chancellor, Aviation Institute of Maintenance

Dr. Alexander has made historic achievements in government, while transforming a small family business into a regional institution. He possesses a proven track record as a legislator, government executive, community college instructor and university lecturer, and entrepreneur.

Alexander's career in public service began in the neighborhood where he was raised and

where his family's funeral business is still based – Norfolk's Berkley Community. He is a graduate of John Tyler Community College, where he met his wife Donna. In the thirty-two years since he completed his undergraduate studies at Old Dominion University, and graduate studies at Norwich University, Alexander has successfully performed a myriad of critical roles with community-based organizations, and in government, business, and academia.

Alexander holds a Ph.D. in Leadership and Change from Antioch University, currently serves as the Mayor of the City of Norfolk and Chancellor of Aviation Institute of Maintenance, Centura College, Tidewater Tech where he oversees policy development and provide direction for institutional mission, core values and vision while leading external affairs for 20 campuses across the country. He is a frequent guest columnist in many of Virginia's major newspapers and author of Persistence: Evelyn Butts and The African Quest Full Citizenship and Self- Determination.



## Craig Anthony

Marketing Director, Tango Flight, Inc.

Anthony is a retired Navy Captain serving 26 years as a Surface Warfare Officer. He holds a Bachelors in Economics from The University of Texas at Austin, a Masters in Strategic Studies from the U.S. Naval War College in Rhode Island, and a Masters in International Relations from Troy University in Alabama.

He has extensive experience in program,

budget and resource planning. He also served on the Curriculum Advisory Board for the Navy's Junior ROTC program. He and his wife, Sarah, have been married 33 years and reside in Houston.



## Earl Bailey

Senior Manager Education Partnerships, Snap-on Tools

Bailey is responsible for the development and implementation of Snap-on's certification programs. The Snap-on education partnership program is strategically engaged at both the secondary and post-secondary levels, and with industry. Sectors of engagement include transportation, aerospace, energy, and manufacturing.



## Kevin Brickner

Senior Vice President Tech Ops, American Airlines

Brickner was named senior vice president – Technical Operations in January 2019. He is responsible for overseeing line and base maintenance; engineering, planning and production support for airframes, engines and components; and aircraft supply chain operations, among many other responsibilities.

Most recently, Brickner was vice president – Safety and Operations Integration, where he was responsible for overseeing the airline's safety and regulatory compliance programs throughout the airline and the airline's environmental sustainability program. He also led the Operations Program Management Office.

Brickner began his career with the airline as a financial analyst in 1996 and then moved into technical operations. During the America West-US Airways merger, he served as managing director – Technical Operations Integration. In 2009, he was promoted to vice president – Technical Services, where he directed the technical operations planning, engineering and quality teams.

Brickner earned a Bachelor of Science degree in mechanical engineering and a Master of Business Administration degree from the University of Pittsburgh.



## Robert Capps

Statewide Department Chair, Texas State Technical College

Capps is a native Texan with a passion for education. He's been with Texas State Technical College as an instructor for 9 years, including appointments as Lead Instructor and Assistant Department Chair, and has been Statewide Department Chair for the last 4 years. Capps has 13 years of

experience working on or near aircraft, including general aircraft maintenance, heavy structures, and widebody heavy checks.



## Kozetta Chapman

Senior Manager Technical Operations Recruiting & Development

Chapman champions the initiative to increase diversity within the tech ops space through recruitment, talent pipeline development, and community outreach events. She is also responsible for developing and implementing the team's long-term strategy to ensure that the tech ops organization attracts and retains top talent.

With more than 20 years of experience in organizational development, Chapman is focused on collaborating with others to develop strategies that are effective, innovative and transformative. Prior to her role at American Airlines, Chapman was the Training Director for an international legal services company and a professor at the University of Oklahoma where she taught "Minority and Ethnic Relations," "Women around the World," "Statistical Analysis," and "Social Problems". Most recently, Chapman was a contributing author for the Association of Talent Development's 2020 publication "Leading the Learning Function: Tools and Techniques for Organizational Impact."

Chapman holds a Bachelors in Sociology and a Masters in Human Relations from the University of Oklahoma. She is a lifelong learner, professional speaker and published author who continuously seeks opportunities to enhance the lives of those within her span of care. Chapman loves to travel, read, volunteer in the community, and spend time with family and friends.



**Ben Clark**

Associate Director of Academic Affairs,  
Aviation Institute of Maintenance

With 14 years of higher education experience, Clark has worked in every department at AIM except Admissions, served as a School Director, received the School of Excellence Award from ACCSC, and was recently labeled "Top 40 Under 40" by Aviation Maintenance Technology magazine. As a native son of Virginia

Beach where he still resides, Clark helps lead the Education and Student Affairs Departments for 20 different schools. Although he loves Student and Career Services, Ben's favorite part of his job is hosting summer camps for underserved communities.

Clark received his Bachelor's in History from James Madison University in 2007, his Master's in Higher Education Administration from the University of Louisville in 2013, and is currently working toward his PhD in Higher Education Management at Hampton University. When he's not knee deep in higher education regulations and history, Clark enjoys spending time outside with his wife, daughter, and two dogs.

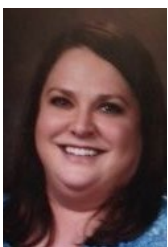


**Chris Coley**

Campus Executive Director,  
Aviation Institute of Maintenance – Dallas

Over the course of a 16-year career in higher education, Coley has built a solid knowledge base for school operations and the regulatory landscape of the higher education sector. He joined AIM initially as Assistant Campus Director before being promoted to Campus Executive Director in January of 2018. Coley has been

with AIM for nearly 10 years, one of the factors that drives him each day is his ability to make a lasting impression in the lives of his students. As the Campus Executive Director, he is responsible for the overall operations of the institution with a focus on ensuring student success and adherence to regulatory requirements. He holds a master's degree in Business Administration from New England College of Business and Finance and is currently pursuing his PhD in Quality Systems Management at Cambridge College.



**Riki Donner**

Regional Director, People,  
Aviation Technical Services

Donner leads the Kansas City and Texas-based People Teams for ATS, the largest independent maintenance repair operation in North America with locations in Everett, Washington, Kansas City, Missouri, and Dallas. She has been in the human resources/people field for over 16 years and the aviation industry for over 10 years.

She earned a bachelor's degree in Business from Kansas State University and a Master of Business Administration from Newman University. She has earned his Professional in Human Resources designation from HRCI and the Certified Professional from SHRM.



**Greg Emerson**

Vice President, Base Maintenance,  
American Airlines

Emerson oversees American's global base maintenance operation, including the Tulsa Aircraft Overhaul organization, the Component Repair and Overhaul business unit, the American Engine Repair and Overhaul team and Maintenance Repair and Overhaul suppliers.

Previously, he served as a partner at SeaTec, an aviation consulting firm, where his focus was on operational strategy, continuous improvement, and large-scale systems implementations.

Emerson began his aviation career as an aviation maintenance technician in the U.S. Navy and then began his civil career as a technician with Delta Air Lines in 1990. Emerson took on increasing levels of responsibility in his 17 years at Delta, ultimately serving as the General Manager of Atlanta Base Maintenance. In addition to his time at Delta, he held senior leadership roles in business aviation, rotorcraft operations and in maintenance, repair and operation management.

Emmerson earned a Bachelor of Science in professional aeronautics and aviation safety and management from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University and a Master of Business Administration from The University of Texas at Arlington.



**Dr. Joel English**

Executive Vice President,  
Aviation Institute of Maintenance

English is the Executive Vice President of Centura College, Aviation Institute of Maintenance, and Tidewater Tech, where he supervises all operations over the 20 campuses across the United States. English is a board member for Choose Aerospace, the FAA's Youth in Aviation Committee, and

The Safe House Project. He is a former board member of ATEC, Career School Private Education Network (CSPEN), and the Accrediting Commission of Career Schools and Colleges (ACCSC).

In previous positions, English served as the CEO for the Ohio, Illinois, Colorado, and Miami Media Schools, a family of institutions dedicated to technical education in radio, television, and internet media broadcasting. He oversaw distance learning and school operations at several campuses as a Regional Director and Executive Director at Centura College, and he was formerly an Assistant Professor of English and Distance Learning at Old Dominion University. Dr. English is the author of Plugged In: Succeeding as an Online Learner. He holds a Ph.D. in Rhetoric and Composition from Ball State University, an M.A. in Technical and Expository Writing, and a B.A. in English from the University of Arkansas at Little Rock.



## Kelly Filgo

Aviation Maintenance Lead Instructor,  
Texas State Technical College

Filgo is the lead instructor of the dual major airframe and powerplant programs at the Waco campus of TSTC. He holds a Master of Arts in Higher Education Administration with a Master's Certificate in Higher Education Assessment and Institutional Research at Sam Houston State University.

Filgo has served on the ATEC board of directors since 2018 and was a subject matter expert in a Texas Education Association committee that made recommendations to high school career and technical education programs in aviation. In 2015 he received a National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development Excellence Award in recognition of his excellent work on his campus.



## Tyrone Flynn

Senior Analyst Regional Operations,  
American Airlines

Flynn spent four years in the Air Force where he found a love for aviation. His commercial aviation career began in 1994 in fleet service for Mesa Airlines in Denver CO while attending A&P school. Flynn has worked as a mechanic for Goodrich Aerospace in Everett, Midwest Airlines in Milwaukee, and American Eagle Airlines in Dallas.

Flynn received a Bachelor's in Finance from the University of Texas – Dallas in 2010. That year he began his career in management support as an analyst in finance for American Eagle and from there served as a senior analyst in American Airlines CASS department until he landed at American's regional operations in 2018.



## Dr. Sean Gallagan

Chief Executive Officer,  
Aviation Workforce Solutions

Gallagan provides aviation professionals, aviation companies, and educational institutions services to grow their business through workforce acquisition & retention, training development & implementation, company promotion & branding, and strategic planning & cost saving implementations.

Prior to becoming a consultant, Gallagan served as the Associate Dean of transportation programs at Broward College and Principal/Director of George T. Baker Aviation Technical College – the largest FAA Part 147 public training institute in the southeastern United States.

Gallagan has dedicated over 30 years to public education and is a highly motivated and results driven professional with over 20 years of progressive leadership and management experience. He received his Ph.D. from Barry University, Masters from Nova Southeastern, and his Bachelors from FIU. He currently serves on numerous boards and committees including the South Florida Aviation Maintenance Council, Greater Miami Aviation Association, Florida Memorial University Aviation Advisory Committee, Broward College Aviation Advisory Committee, Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance Aviation Committee, the Beacon Council Aviation Committee, and the ATEC Board of Directors.



## Evita "Evie" Garces

Managing Director, Maintenance Operations  
Control, American Airlines

Garces is responsible for ensuring all work on the airline's aircraft is performed in accordance with Federal Aviation Regulations. Her team provides technical support and oversight for maintenance across American's fleet.

Garces started her airline career as an aviation maintenance technician and worked her

way up within American Airlines, serving in various positions, including Manager of Aircraft Maintenance, Managing Director of Line Maintenance and Managing Director of Maintenance Planning – Base and Strategic. In 2018, she became the first female and first Latina team member to be selected for the position of American's FAA-certificated Director of Maintenance.

Garces has continued to expand her knowledge at the College of Aeronautics in Flushing, New York, and later went on to obtain her Master of Business Administration from Northwestern University.



## Ryan Goertzen

Vice President Maintenance Workforce  
Development, AAR Corp

Goertzen oversees various workforce-based initiatives at AAR (NYSE: AIR), a leading aviation services provider to commercial airlines and governments worldwide. At AAR he was responsible for the development the EAGLE Career Pathway Program. Goertzen previously spent three years at AAR Corp

managing the training and ASAP programs in Oklahoma City.

Goertzen began his career as a pilot instructor for Air Wisconsin Airlines Corporation where he was responsible for Air Wisconsin's first learning management system and e-learning content used in recurrent pilot training. In 2005 Mr. Goertzen transitioned to the maintenance side of the airline as Air Wisconsin's Manager of Maintenance Training and ASAP Manager. Goertzen began his tenure at Spartan College of Aeronautics and Technology in 2011, holding the positions of vice president of education, president of Spartan's Tulsa campus and corporate officer.

Goertzen was ATEC president from 2014-2018. He currently serves as inaugural president of Choose Aerospace, a non-profit with the mission of uniting the aerospace industry to implement solutions to the workforce shortage.

Goertzen holds a B.S. in Aviation and a Master of Public Administration from the University of Nebraska at Omaha. He is married to the love of his life Jenny and has three sons Jacob, Joshua, and Jack.



**Brad Hayden**

Founder & CEO, Robotic Skies

Brad grew up in the aviation industry, working from a young age in his family's avionics sales and service business. After graduating from the University of Utah, he left aviation to launch his career managing global, high-tech marketing programs for companies such as US Robotics, 3Com, Informix, and EFL.

Hayden returned to aviation as one of the original executives of Aspen Avionics, a venture-backed cockpit display manufacturer. He led the definition and rollout of Aspen Avionics' groundbreaking Connected Panel product line, which has revolutionized the synchronization of data in the cockpit.

A certificated private pilot and an avid drone pilot, Brad advocates for the safe integration of next-generation aircraft into existing global flight operations through various industry efforts. In January 2021, he received an appointment to a seat on the FAA's Advanced Aviation Advisory Committee. He chairs the National Business Aviation Association's Emerging Technology Committee and the ASTM Subcommittee F46.06 on Autonomous and Electric Aircraft Maintenance Personnel. While serving on the ASTM Committee F38 on Unmanned Aircraft Systems, he led standards development teams related to continued airworthiness and technician training qualifications.

Hayden now lives in Salt Lake City where Robotic Skies' team has established its operational headquarters.



**Miranda Haywood**

Manager, Procurement Services and Grant Management Division, FAA

Haywood leads a cross-functional team of contract, grants, and engineering professionals, responsible for awarding approximately \$100M in grants and administering over \$7B in technical and support service contracts at the FAA.

Haywood joined the FAA in 2000 and has served in several leadership positions. She

has extensive experience in federal contract management, program and project management, and business process improvement. She is a warranted Grant Officer for the Office of NextGen Aviation Research, Centers of Excellence, and Aviation Workforce Development Grant Programs.

Haywood earned a Bachelor's degree from Howard University and a Master's degree with a concentration in Public Administration from Bowie State University. She is a certified Project Management Institute (PMI) Project Manager and a graduate from a distinguished developmental program at the Federal Executive Institute. She is the recipient of the Secretary of Transportation Distinguished Service Award, the Secretary's Team Award, and the White House President's Volunteer Service Award to name a few.

Ms. Haywood is a PMI Member of the Washington DC Chapter and was elected as the National Treasurer for the National Black Coalition for Federal Aviation Employees Association from 2004-2010. She is passionate about customer service, organizational efficiency, and developing people for succession planning. Her legacy is to invest in people to build a strong legacy for the future of aerospace professionals.



**Larry Hinebaugh**

Executive Director, Foundation for Business Aircraft Records Excellence

Hinebaugh has over 40 years of aircraft maintenance and maintenance management experience, he has held an FAA A&P license since 1976.

Through the non-profit Business Aircraft Records, Hinebaugh works to improve business aircraft record keeping practices through professional education and technology awareness. Through this work he remains at the forefront of business aviation's move from localized paper records "logbooks" that record the history and airworthiness of an aircraft to modern, secure, cloud-based electronic record keeping systems offering less costly 24/7 accessibility and control.

Hinebaugh also founded and operates Aviation Consulting Group (ACG), an international maintenance consulting company specializing in aircraft completion management, maintenance operations, and aircraft technical appraisals. He has a BS degree in Aircraft Maintenance Engineering.



**Gary Hoyle**

Director of Campus Operations, Pittsburgh Institute of Aeronautics & ATEC President

Hoyle is the Director of Campus Operations at PIA, where he has held a variety of titles over the course of his impressive 44-year career. Before coming on board at PIA, he worked for Sikorsky Aircraft, served in the U.S. Army as a helicopter crew chief in the Vietnam War, and worked for United Airlines as an aircraft mechanic. He has

been an FAA certified Designated Mechanic Examiner since 1979, and he continues to participate in the Oral and Practical testing process with PIA's students and recent graduates. Hoyle has served on the ATEC Board of Directors for eight years, and currently serves as its President and is recipient of the FAA master mechanic award.



**Dr. Karen Johnson**

Associate Professor, Southern Illinois University Carbondale

Johnson began her career in aviation maintenance as a base mechanic with Air Evac Lifeteam. In 2005, she joined the Department of Aviation Technologies at Southern Illinois University Carbondale teaching in both the part 147 and helicopter specialization programs and most recently

the aviation maintenance management degree program. While at Southern Illinois University Carbondale, Johnson earned an M.S. Ed. in Curriculum and Instruction and is currently working on a Ph.D. Ed. in Learning Systems Design and Technologies. Johnson also independently consults with other educational institutions towards their online delivery goals.



## Steve Kane

Executive Director, SpaceTEC/CertTEC

Kane leads the non-profit SpaceTEC Partners, providing workforce development services and internationally accredited credentialing in support of the nation's aerospace, aviation and advanced manufacturing industries. In addition to its own credentialing programs, SpaceTEC administers the NCATT program for ASTM International.

Kane leveraged Navy training and experience as an aviation structural mechanic to become an FAA certified mechanic. Beginning his career in the regional airline industry, he served in increasingly responsible positions at multiple airlines. He later joined Lockheed Space Operations, NASA's Space Shuttle Program prime contractor, as a Shuttle Systems Inspector at Vandenberg AFB and later for Lockheed Martin United Space Alliance at the Kennedy Space Center in Florida. Following retirement of the Space Shuttle program in late 2011, Kane joined the SpaceTEC team as Program Manager, where he later assumed his current role.

Kane serves on the ASTM Committee F46 on Aerospace Personnel, the SAE International G8 Aerospace Organic Coatings Committee, and the Brevard Public Schools Adult Education Advisory Committee. Kane earned degrees in Quality Technology at Allan Hancock College in Santa Maria and Professional Aeronautics and Technical Management at Embry Riddle Aeronautical University.



## Dr. Don Kinard

Senior Fellow – Production Operations, Lockheed Martin

Kinard is a Senior Technical Fellow for Lockheed Martin Aeronautics Production Operations. Kinard established the F-35 Fighter Production System several years ago to manage production transition from the then one aircraft per month production rate to a 20 aircraft per month production

rate; their current build rate is 4 aircraft/month.

Kinard has been with LM for 31 years and prior to his current assignment he was Director of F-35 Production Engineering responsible for Joint Strike Fighter Tooling, Planning, Manufacturing Engineering, and Aircraft Systems Testing. Before joining F-35 in 2004, Kinard held various positions in both Engineering and Manufacturing during his 18 years on the F-22 Program including Composite Risk Reduction Lead, Covers and Mate IPT Lead, Engineering Lead for F-22 Production Support, and Deputy Director of F-22 Production.

Kinard is also the lead for the Corporate Fellow's Manufacturing Team whose task it is to share lessons learned and manufacturing technologies throughout all of the LM business units and personnel. Kinard earned a bachelor's degree in Chemistry from Trinity University in San Antonio and a PhD in Physical (Polymer) Chemistry from Texas A&M University.



## Stephen Ley

Associate Professor, Utah Valley University

Ley's current academic focus is the integration of advanced air mobility, UAS, and space technologies into part 147 and higher education programs. He also serves as a member of the NBAA Emerging Technologies Committee and as chair of the ATEC Emerging Technologies subcommittee.

Ley's industry experience includes leadership as Head of Customer & Services Training for the Rolls-Royce Corporation's national and international-based teams supporting regional airlines, corporate aircraft, defense, helicopter, and energy business segments. He served in the US Air Force supporting F-16 aircraft operational sustainment within the United States, Europe, and the Middle East.



## Justin Madden

Executive Director of Government Affairs, Aircraft Mechanics Fraternal Association

In his current role, Madden advocates for AMFA's membership and the aircraft mechanic craft as a whole. In addition to developing and implementing the Association's legislative agenda, he advises the executive leadership team on all things related to government affairs. He also acts as a liaison

between the Association and its essential relationships.

With almost three decades in the industry, including a successful enlistment and honorable discharge from the Marine Corps, Madden started his commercial aviation career with Trans World Airlines in the 1990's and continues to work in the industry as a practicing aircraft mechanic at Southwest Airlines. Madden has always felt a strong duty to serve, and during his career has held several union leadership positions at the local and executive levels.

Justin is a member of the FAA Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee (ARAC) by appointment of the U.S. Secretary of Transportation and participates on the FAA Airman Certification Standards and Part 145 working groups. He is also a member of the Transportation Security Administration Aviation Security Advisory Committee, having been appointed by the TSA Administrator to multiple terms. He is active in aviation's emerging technologies space, most notably with NASA Aeronautics Research Institute and their mission to safely incorporate Advanced Air Mobility operations in the national airspace system.





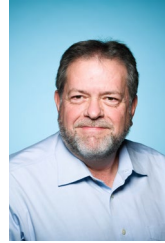
**Crystal Maguire**

Executive Director, ATEC

In addition to overseeing day-to-day operations for ATEC, Maguire serves as Executive Director of Choose Aerospace, a charitable organization created and funded by ATEC members that promotes careers in aviation maintenance. Maguire also manages the Aerospace Maintenance Council and oversees its flagship event, the annual Aerospace Maintenance

Competition. She serves as Of Counsel for Denver-based firm, Davis Graham & Stubbs LLP, where she counsels aviation companies in commercial transactions and general corporate matters. She is a former author of Aviation Week's InsideMRO safety and regulatory column and a frequent contributor to AMT Magazine.

Maguire graduated with a B.A. in management from the University of Tulsa. She received a J.D. from American University, Washington College of Law and is a member of the Virginia and Oklahoma State Bars. She is the recipient of AMT Magazine's Next Gen 40 Under 40 Award, and ARSA's Leo Weston Award for Excellence in Government Service.



**Mark Miner**

Vice President, Line Maintenance, American Airlines

Miner oversees all aspects of aircraft maintenance at American's line maintenance locations and hangars worldwide, as well as maintenance for all ground support equipment and facilities.

Miner previously served as Managing Director of Tech Ops Support, which included responsibility for maintenance training, the Tech Ops program management office, data analytics and performance, and the integration team. He joined American in 2016 to guide the Tech Ops Enterprise System Solution effort, the largest airline Tech Ops systems integration in history. Prior to joining American, Miner spent more than 30 years in various leadership roles in maintenance planning, base maintenance, maintenance programs, reliability, strategic planning, technology and operational excellence.

Miner earned a Bachelor of Science in business administration from Montreat College. He's also a licensed private pilot with multi-engine and instrument ratings.



**Trey McClure**

Manager, Delegation Program Branch, FAA

McClure's tenure at the FAA began with his appointment as a general aviation safety inspector. After a year, he was promoted to General Aviation Principal Operations Inspector in the Jackson, MS FSDO. He served in the Airman Training and Certification Branch (AFS-810), where he worked on various projects including the Student Pilot Application Rule,

Airman Certification Standards development, and the Part 107 online training course. In 2016, McClure accepted the position of GA Operations Frontline Manager in the Jackson, MS FSDO.

McClure current serves as Manager of the Delegation Program Branch. He values the important role our designees fulfill as representatives of the Administrator and seeks to provide the best training possible to prepare designees to continue performing their tasks as representatives of the FAA.



**Kevin Morgan**

Manager, Airman Section, Aircraft Maintenance Division, FAA

Morgan oversees the development of regulations and national policies governing the certification of airmen (mechanics, Inspection Authorization, repairmen, parachute riggers), aviation maintenance technician schools, and the performance standards and practices for the airworthiness of civil aircraft.

Morgan also represents the United States at the International Civil Aviation Organization on committees such as the Airworthiness Panel, Competency Based Training for aviation maintenance technicians, and the Personnel Training and Licensing Panel.

Morgan previously served as General Aviation Branch Manager, responsible for developing, implementing and evaluating the regulatory requirements of 14 CFR parts 43, 65, 91, 105, 133, 137, 147, 183 and their associated policies and guidance.

Prior to joining the FAA, Morgan served as an aviation maintenance technician and a quality assurance inspector. Most notably, he worked in the research and development conducting tests on aircraft such as the V-22 Osprey, and later the United States Presidential Helicopter Program at Patuxent River Naval Air Station.

Morgan holds a Bachelor of Science in Professional Aeronautics from Embry Riddle Aeronautical University, and he is a military veteran with 10 years of active duty service in the US Army.



**Robin Merriman**

Talent Acquisition Manager, Textron Aviation

Merriman has over 20 years' experience in Talent Acquisition with a mix of agency and corporate recruitment, and over 10 years working within the aviation industry. Merriman currently leads Textron's technical recruitment team. Her team is responsible for all bargaining and salary non-exempt roles across the organization. Prior to joining

Textron Aviation in July 2021, Merriman held the Manager, Talent Acquisition for Bombardier US operations for 10 years. Robin holds a Bachelors in Social Science from Kansas State University.



## Margaret Muller

Director of Talent Management, PSA Airlines

Muller leads the strategic outlook of PSA's Talent Acquisition team. Her career took flight in 2007 with regional carrier, Air Wisconsin focused on Maintenance and Customer Service roles. After Air Wisconsin, she joined the American team and oversaw union hiring focusing on Technical Operations for almost 5 years before joining PSA.

She has been with PSA Airlines since July 2018 in various roles.

Her favorite parts of working in aviation are the people and the experiences. She has been to every state and her next goal is to visit every continent. Muller just returned from Africa and is planning on Antarctica in 2023!



## Barbara Murray

Executive Director, ACCEerate

Murray has 25 years experience in workforce development and U.S. Department of Labor registered apprenticeship. She previously served as a Community College Director and has extensive experience with grants, industry partnerships, and curriculum development in all modes of transportation.

Murray is previous Executive Director for TransPORTs, a U.S. Department of Labor Office of Apprenticeship industry partner awarded a \$7.9 million federal contract to expand apprenticeship for multimodal transportation, distribution and logistics industry employers nationwide.

Murray earned her B.S. in Science with a minor in community education from Old Dominion University (ODU) in Norfolk, Virginia and completed Masters level coursework in educational technology at ODU and Regent University. She began her career with Associates degrees leading to national credentials in Ohio and Virginia. She earned certificates in leadership and workforce development from the University of Virginia and the Workforce Development Institute.



## Rick Ochs

Chief Executive Officer, Spirit Aeronautics

Ochs began an inspired career in the Navy as an Avionics Technician. Immediately out of the Navy, he gained expertise as an Avionics Installer on USAF C-130H and later became the Avionics Manager for Southern Air Transport. Ochs began Spirit Avionics in 2000 as a veteran owned, small business.

Now Spirit Aeronautics, the company provides transport aircraft maintenance and modification

services as an FAA certified repair station.

Ochs is actively involved in professional credentialing as Vice-Chair of the ASTM F46 Committee on Aerospace Personnel. He also chairs F46.01, developing industry based professional credentialing of General Aircraft Design Knowledge standards.

Ochs sits on multiple Avionics OEM Industry Boards as an advisory member providing technological and market trend insights in forward looking roles. He is a past member of the Aircraft Electronics Association board, the NBAA Maintenance Managers committee, and National Center for Aerospace Transportation Training program. He was awarded the National Avionics technician of the Year award in 2010 by the General Aviation Awards committee and Member of the Year for the Aircraft Electronics Industry in 2012.

He has been married to Pam for over 25 years. They have 4 children with 2 of them working in the family business.



## David Oord

Policy Manager, Wisk

Oord is the Policy Manager at Wisk, a leading Advanced Air Mobility company and developer of the first all-electric, self-flying air taxi in the U.S. In his position, he leads the development and execution of strategies to shape legislation, regulation, and other public policies – focused on autonomy and its safe integration into the National Airspace System.

An active pilot, he holds a commercial pilot certificate – with single- and multi-engine airplane land and instrument ratings.

Prior to Wisk, he headed regulatory affairs for Lilium, a German eVTOL manufacturer; led regulatory affairs for the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association in Washington, D.C.; managed government affairs at the Experimental Aircraft Association in Oshkosh, Wisconsin; and worked in airport management, operations, security, and firefighting at Westchester County airport.

Oord currently chairs the FAA's Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee and the ARAC Airman Certification System working group. He holds a Bachelor of Business Administration in Aviation Management from the University of North Dakota and a Master of Business Administration from Boise State University.



## Sheryl Oxley

Aviation Program Coordinator,  
Tulsa Technology Center

Oxley joined the team at Tulsa Tech in 2004 as an aviation maintenance technology instructor and became the Aviation Programs Coordinator in 2015. She served 27 years in the United States Air Force as an aircraft maintenance technician and Phase Dock chief on F-16 and A-10 aircraft and has been deployed to multiple combat regions.

In addition to military maintenance experience, she has worked with Delta Airlines, Atlantic Southeast Airlines, and Bombardier Aerospace in both hangar and line maintenance as well as in flight and tank combat simulation maintenance.

Oxley has coordinated and led students volunteering at EAA AirVenture and KidVenture for 10 years, has spearheaded exemption requests for the Part 147 Program, has served as a PAMA Olympic and MRO AMC Coach, and has been a Designated Mechanic Examiner for 12 years. She graduated from Oklahoma State University with a B.S. in Career and Technical Education.

When Oxley's not at work, you might find her at Crossfit, hiking, mountain biking, doing home improvement, working on various vehicles at the house, or just playing with the dogs.



## Glenn Ponas

Director of High School Outreach, Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association Foundation

Ponas is responsible for providing programmatic, management, and fiscal oversight of the Foundation's You Can Fly High School initiative. He helps lead the effort to expand the adoption and implementation of the High School Aviation STEM Curriculum and provides project management and oversight to the annual

AOPA Foundation High School Aviation STEM Symposium.

Ponas has thirty-one years of experience as a secondary teacher, building and district level administrator, and curriculum development specialist with the Pittsburgh Public Schools. In 2002, he founded the Pittsburgh Gifted Center Aviation Program. Over the next 18 years, the Program introduced over 3,000 students to aviation, fostered over 900 EAA Young Eagles flights, and helped inspire 30 former students to become FAA certificated pilots.

He is an FAA certificated private pilot and remote pilot. In 2005, Ponus co-founded and was named President and COO of Frameworks Information Technology, Inc., a web-based data visualization and GIS analysis company. He was also an educational data systems consultant for the Pennsylvania and US Departments of Education.



## Kim Pritchard

Technical Training Manager – UAS, Zipline International, Inc.

Pritchard is an FAA-certified mechanic and currently works for a global logistics company that specializes in providing vital life-saving medical products to those in need via use of autonomous vehicles ("drones"). Prior to joining Zipline, Pritchard was Sr. Manager for United Airlines' Airframe Overhaul & Repair

facility in San Francisco. During her twenty-four years at United, she worked in a number of leadership roles including Maintenance Training, Engine Overhaul & Repair and Test Cell Operations, AMT Employment, Continuous Improvement, and Production Control.

Earlier in her career, Pritchard spent a three-and-a-half-year stint in corporate aviation as a Chief Inspector and Director of Maintenance. She also served as the Director of Career and Student Services at a part 147 program and is a proud U.S. Air Force Veteran where she cut her teeth in aircraft maintenance as a crew chief.

Pritchard has served as co-captain of United Airlines' all-female Aerospace Maintenance Competition team known as the "Chix Fix," participates on multiple occupational workforce councils, and provides input to a number of member organizations which help individuals within the community prepare for viable work in the field. She is a sought-after event speaker and is often asked to write about her experiences as a means to inspire others.

Pritchard has a B.A.S. in Aviation Maintenance Management from Siena Heights University and serves on both the Aerospace (F46), and the UAS (F38) standards committees for ASTM, International. She enjoys time with her boyfriend and their rescue dog. Her interests include classic cars, motorcycles, photography, creative writing, and traveling.



## Robert Reckert

Manager, Regulatory Support Division, FAA

Reckert oversees FAA Airman Testing and Standards, Aviation Data Systems, and the Delegation Program. These functional areas are responsible for the development and publication of Airman Certification Standards, Practical Test Standards, aviation knowledge handbooks, and a multitude of aviation data systems including the Designee

Management System, the Service Difficulty Reporting System, and the Accident and Incident Data System.

Reckert previously served as the Acting Deputy Director Air Carrier Safety Assurance, the Portland FSDO Manager, the Bradley FSDO Assistant Manager, and as a Front Line Manager and Principal Maintenance Inspector in the Windsor Locks FSDO.

Reckert is a veteran of the U.S. Army, he began his military career serving as a helicopter mechanic and quality control inspector. He attended flight school and served in a variety of roles on both active duty and with the Army National Guard. He has a Masters in Executive Leadership from Norwich University and a Bachelor of Science in Professional Aeronautics from Embry Riddle Aeronautical University.

Reckert is an A&P Mechanic with Inspection Authorization, a Commercial Pilot, a Certified Flight Instructor, Instrument Instructor, and Remote Pilot. He also has a General Radiotelephone Operator License with a Ship Radar endorsement. Reckert resides just west of Portland where his family enjoys outdoor activities and sports.



## Gabe Rios

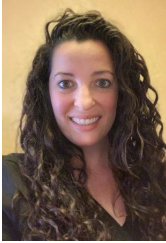
Senior Recruiter, Southwest Airlines

Rios is a Talent Acquisition Team Leader in the People Department of Southwest Airlines where he leads Eastern Region Recruiters in the Full Life Cycle Recruiting by attracting, OnBoarding, developing, and retaining extraordinary People. Rios has been a notable pacesetter in the recruitment of A&P mechanics into the Tech

Ops Department and military personnel into the Southwest family. Coming from the military, he understands the highly transferrable attributes that our military personnel can offer to the mission and success of Southwest Airlines.

Rios joined Southwest Airlines in July 2016 after serving our country as a Master Sergeant with 23 years of service. Before Southwest, Gabe's last duty assignment was with the Texas Army National Guard as Non Commissioned Officer in Charge with the Region IV Recruiting Detachment in. His background also includes eight years of service in the United States Marine Corps as an Infantry Squad Leader.

Rios holds a Bachelor's Degree in Marketing from Post University in Connecticut. He is married to Leslie and they have three children, Brandon, who is currently a Sergeant serving in the United States Marine Corps, Kaleb and Mackenzie.



## Dr. Katie Shakour

Research Associate, Clemson University Center for Workforce Development

Shakour is a Research Associate at the Clemson University Center for Workforce Development and Research Assistant Professor in Anthropology. Her research has focused on community resilience during and after disasters as well as tools for improving academic continuity and disaster heritage. She recently

published peer-reviewed articles about responses to the pandemic in educational settings and researcher and stakeholder interactions which discusses balancing research and community needs.



## Christin "Chris" Sharp

Manager, Aviation Workforce and Education Division, FAA

Sharp oversees the agency's efforts to introduce students of all backgrounds to aerospace careers and provide them with pathways to ensure a diverse and robust aerospace workforce of the future.

Previously, Sharp served as the Staff Director in the FAA's Office of Aviation Workforce

Outreach, where she worked with senior executives and staff from across the agency to build strong collaborative networks of stakeholders focused on all aspects of aerospace workforce issues. Before that, Sharp was the Manager for the FAA's Social Collaboration and Engagement in the Office of Communications where she focused on engaging employees in finding innovative solutions to challenges facing the agency and the aviation industry.

Sharp spent 20 years in the FAA's Office of International Affairs, where she held a variety of positions, including Desk Officer for Russia and the CIS and Manager for the Europe/Africa/MidEast Staff. She also served as Program Manager for the Global Leadership Initiative where she focused on bringing together stakeholders to collaborate on international strategy and programs.

Sharp has a degree from Colgate University in International Relations and a Master's Degree in Organizational Communication from George Mason University. In her spare time, she is training for a Strongwoman competition with her two teenage children.



## The Honorable Carl Sherman, Sr.

Representative, Texas House of Representatives

Rep. Sherman presently serves as Senior Pastor in the Church of Christ and was elected in 2018 to serve in the Texas House of Representatives. He proudly represents District 109 in Southern Dallas County, which includes the citizens of Cedar Hill, Dallas, DeSoto, Ferris, Glenn Heights, Grand Prairie, Hutchins, Lancaster, Ovilla, Seagoville, Wilmer. Sherman's legislative

priorities are in the areas of education, including higher education, economic development, and helping families prosper.

Sherman was elected as the first African-American Mayor of DeSoto, Texas in 2010, and was re-elected in 2013. A successful entrepreneur and businessman, Sherman previously served as Chair and Chief Executive Officer of eTelcharge.com, an electronic payment processing company, and earned the AT&T Alex Award for a patent application. He strategically navigated the company onto Wall Street, where it traded on both the U.S. NASDAQ and the Frankfurt exchange in Europe. His studies of Business Management

at Northwood University made a significant impact to his successful career. Sherman was recognized by the Dallas Urban League as one of the Most Promising Leaders of the 21st Century as well as being recognized by TLBC as an Outstanding Texan in 2017.

Sherman lives in DeSoto, TX, where he and his wife of over 34 years, Michelle, raised their three sons and two daughters. His greatest joy comes from spending quality time with his family which also includes seven adorable grandchildren.



## Ryan C. Smith

Program Manager, Airman Testing Standards, FAA

Smith is Program Manager over the Airman Knowledge Testing (AKT) Organization Designation Authorization (ODA) Program. Have oversight responsibility for two large corporations, 700 testing centers, and 1800 individuals responsible for administering an average of 115,000 airman knowledge tests annually as part of the airman certification process.



## Kent Stauffer

Chief Safety Officer, Constant Aviation

Stauffer is a leading aviation safety, maintenance, quality, and operations professional who heads the Safety, Quality, Training, and Workforce Development departments for Constant Aviation. In addition to being an FAA certificated pilot, UAS Pilot and A&P, he holds several accreditations in Aviation Science, Aviation Maintenance, and investigation, as well as a Certificate of Aviation

Safety and Security from The University of Southern California.

Stauffer has a broad background in aviation maintenance, operations, and safety. His expertise includes human factors and aviation psychology, fatigue management, flight and ground operations, risk management, OSHA, EPA, hazardous materials, Safety Management Systems (SMS), and aviation accident investigation. Stauffer has served as a Designated Aircraft Accident Investigator (AAI) in numerous corporate aviation incident and accident investigations as well as several NTSB investigations.

As an active member of the FAA Safety Action Team (FAAST), Stauffer speaks throughout the country at FAA forums and industry conferences on operations, safety, and maintenance topics. Kent serves on various industry and FAA-sponsored work groups and organizations and participates as an advisory board member for several part 147 schools, as a board member of PHASTAR (Davis Aviation and Maritime School) and as a board member of ATEC. Currently, Stauffer chairs the NBAA Maintenance Safety Sub-Committee. Kent spends his free time camping, flying, riding motorcycles, and traveling with his wife and son.



**Sean Toth**

Vice President Technical Services,  
Republic Airways Holdings

Toth joined Republic Airways in 2019 as Vice President of Technical Services. He is a licensed A&P mechanic who began his aviation career in the United States Marine Corps, where he was an AV-8B Harrier flightline and powerplant mechanic. Toth's aviation maintenance experience spans military, general aviation,

corporate aviation, rotorcraft and airline in both domestic and international operations. He has held various technical leadership roles with large fleet operators throughout his 25+ career.



**Zachary Trabookis**

Lead Developer, Clemson University  
Center for Workforce Development

Trabookis joined the Clemson University Center for Workforce Development (CUCWD) department in 2013 focusing his work on E-learning initiatives with technological training for the Massive Open Online Course platform EducateWorkforce.

Trabookis holds a B.S. in Computer Science and M.F.A. in Digital Production Arts from Clemson University. Prior to joining CUCWD, he worked 7 years in the private sector developing web and standalone applications that consist of financial reporting, database syncing, training simulations, and loan origination. Trabookis is a Lead Developer now and helps direct and support new technology efforts for the platform. In 2020, Zachary earned an Exceptional Staff Award from the Clemson University College of Engineering, Computing and Applied Sciences recognized for the work he's done with CUCWD.



**William Tramper**

President, CES Trainers

Tramper has worked in the avionics industry for more than 30 years. He has extensive experience in military avionics, part 145 repair stations, and avionics manufacturing. He has also been involved with aviation education for a number of years. He helped develop the NCATT Aircraft Electronics Technician (AET) certification, started a vocational high school avionics program in his

hometown of Grand Rapids Michigan, has designed and developed electronics training equipment, and continues his education passion today teaching classes for the Aircraft Electronics Association, manufacturing CES electronics trainers used by schools and universities throughout the world. Tramper also serves as the chair of ASTM Committee F46, responsible for developing standards covering the knowledge, skills, and abilities (KSA's) for aerospace personnel.



**Dan Weyant**

Executive Director, Tango Flight, Inc.

Aviation is so integral to Weyant's life that he and his wife Karen, live in an airpark outside Greeneville, Tennessee. After graduating with a degree in Computer Science from North Carolina State University, he began his career as a software consultant specializing in user-interface design. He left the private sector in 2002 and began his work in public education,

establishing engineering programs in central Texas high schools. In 2016, Weyant partnered with Wichita State University and the Airbus Foundation, to produce a proprietary Aviation and Aerospace curriculum for high school students. His efforts have changed the course of aviation and manufacturing pathways across the country.

Weyant flies an RV-9A that he and his wife built and a 1946 J-3 Cub that belonged to his grandfather.



**Cedric Wilson**

Managing Director, Line Maintenance,  
American Airlines

Wilson began his nearly 24-year career at American as an overhaul support mechanic in Base Maintenance. He later held several key leadership roles at Texas Aero Engine Service Limited, an aircraft engine maintenance joint venture between American and Rolls Royce, and ultimately

led the organization as the vice president of operations.

Prior to becoming Managing Director of Line Maintenance for DFW and the Southwest Division, Wilson served as the director of Line Maintenance at DFW, and his experience is rivaled only by his inspiring ability to lead and care for his team.



**Candy Young**

Sr. Specialist, Training Compliance and  
Standards, American Airlines

Young has been with American for six years and serves as the liaison between training and production. She is a member of American Airlines' DEI Council, and is the lead for the Female AMT's Connecting for Empowerment and Support event. Young also works to connect with local middle and

high schools to give them a glimpse into the world of aviation.



## AeroTrain Corp.

[www.aerotraincorp.com](http://www.aerotraincorp.com)

Michigan-based AeroTrain Corp. has produced aircraft maintenance training products and solutions since 1995, serving 127 schools in 29 countries. The company designs and develops aviation maintenance training-aids for avionics, aircraft engines, aircraft systems, instruments, and electrical systems. AeroTrain also offers multimedia computer based training courseware and consulting services for the development of FAA and EASA part 147 curricula.

## AIRBUS

### Airbus Americas, Inc.

[www.airbus.com](http://www.airbus.com)

Airbus is a global pioneer in the aerospace industry, operating in the commercial aircraft, helicopters, defense and space sectors. The Company is a leader in designing, manufacturing and delivering aerospace products, services and solutions to customers on a worldwide scale.



### Aircraft Technical Book Company, LLC

[www.actechbooks.com](http://www.actechbooks.com)

Aircraft Technical Book Company is your Part 147 specialist providing complete sets of matched training material along with supporting and advanced titles in both A&P and EASA Part 66 configurations. ATB offers its own titles and those of other publishers in paper and in multiple ebook options including service to campus book stores and Direct-To-Student (DTS) options. See us to create customized sets of training material for your program and to provide the ongoing and generous support you can depend on year after year.



### ARCS Aviation

[www.arcsaviation.com](http://www.arcsaviation.com)

ARCS Aviation develops digital e-books with interactive elements to train and prepare pilots, ground personnel, aircraft mechanics, cabin crew, and dispatchers. It will soon release the Ekanos, an interactive eBook solution that aligns with FAA mechanic airman certification standards to support modernization of A&P curriculum. ATEC and ARCS Aviation have partnered to provide members receive 20% off standard user fees.



### Association for Women in Aviation Maintenance

[www.awam.org](http://www.awam.org)

The Association for Women in Aviation Maintenance (AWAM) is a nonprofit organization formed for the purpose of championing women's professional growth and enrichment in aviation maintenance by providing opportunities for networking, education, mentoring, fostering a sense of community and increasing public awareness of women in the industry. AWAM offers annual scholarships through our partnerships with industry leading companies that are available both to students and to certificated A&Ps of any gender.



### Aviation Supplies & Academics, Inc.

[www.asa2fly.com](http://www.asa2fly.com)

Aviation Supplies & Academics, Inc. (ASA) provides trusted aviation training products to flight instructors, aviation maintenance technicians, air traffic controllers, career aviators and students. ASA's product line consists of online training programs, apps and ebooks available on multiple platforms, traditional printed and published training content and pilot supplies.



### AVOTEK

[www.avotek.com](http://www.avotek.com)

AVOTEK delivers state-of-the-art aviation maintenance training technology to educational institutions, instructors and students. The company publishes textbooks, creates multimedia materials and manufactures training simulators—all focused on providing the best possible training experience for customers.



### CertTEC

[www.certtec.com](http://www.certtec.com)

CertTEC® provides performance-based certifications that validate critical technical skills for effective workforce applications. Developed from aerospace work in related specialties, CertTEC® provides technician certifications in the core capabilities most employers want, such as basic electricity and electronics, aviation mechanical assembly, aviation structures, basic composites, and more.

## CES trainers

### CES Trainers

[www.azimuthaero.com](http://www.azimuthaero.com)

CES Trainers (now a division of Azimuth Aerospace) is a leading manufacturer of training equipment for the electronics and aerospace industries. Its electronics trainers have been used in classrooms worldwide for more than 50 years. The company continues to design new training equipment to meet the everchanging needs of the industry and keep pace with technological advances.



**Choose Aerospace**

[www.chooseaerospace.org](http://www.chooseaerospace.org)

ATEC's foundational arm, Choose Aerospace, has created aviation maintenance curriculum for deployment in high schools. The computer-based content covers the general subject areas in FAA mechanic airman certification standards and provides a unique opportunity for part 147 schools looking to increase program awareness in their communities. Get more information about the program and how AMTS can structure matriculation agreements with high school partners.



**Composite Educational Services**

[www.cescomposites.com](http://www.cescomposites.com)

Composite Educational Services provides equipment, materials and training in aircraft composites for educational institutions and professionals. For 30 years CES has served the aviation composite industry by providing training equipment, composite repair materials, vacuum bagging materials, and specialized tools.



**Endeavor Air**

[www.endeavorair.com](http://www.endeavorair.com)

Endeavor Air, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Delta Air Lines, is the world's largest operator of MHI RJ CRJ-900 aircraft. Flying as Delta Connection, Endeavor operates 193 regional jets on more than 900 daily flights to over 140 destinations in the United States, Canada, and the Caribbean.



**FMS Bank**

[www.fmsbank.com](http://www.fmsbank.com)

FMS Bank is a community bank that offers student loans for A&P students with its partnering schools. The chairman is a licensed private pilot and initially created a student loan for pilots at 141 schools. Just a few months ago FMS Bank launched a program specifically for A&P students, it is eager to meet new schools to support students and expand the program.



**Heatcon Composite Systems**

[www.heatcon.com](http://www.heatcon.com)

For over 35 years, HEATCON Composite Systems has committed time and product development to improve composite repair processes. As a leading manufacturer and supplier of aerospace composite repair equipment, HEATCON delivers a full range of hot bonders, accessories, technical services, and materials, such as prepregs, certified dry fabrics, and consumables, for the repair of composite structures.



**Nida Corporation**

[www.nida.com](http://www.nida.com)

Nida Corporation provides courseware, hardware and management software to support outcomes-based training for traditional classrooms and distance learning programs. It is a recognized NCATT provider and its learning content supports CertTEC, ETA-I, GROL, and EASA-B2 certifications.



**PSA Airlines**

[www.psaairlines.com](http://www.psaairlines.com)

PSA Airlines operates an all-jet fleet consisting of exclusively Bombardier regional jet aircraft. PSA has an incredible team of more than 3,900 employees who do a tremendous job of operating more than 800 daily flights to nearly 100 destinations on behalf of American Airlines.



**Snap-on**

[www.snapon.com](http://www.snapon.com)

Snap-on Incorporated is a leading global innovator, manufacturer and marketer of tools, equipment, diagnostics, repair information and systems solutions. Products and services include hand and power tools, tool storage, diagnostics software, information and management systems, shop equipment and other solutions for the aviation and aerospace industry and technical education.



**SONIC**

[www.sonictoolsusa.com](http://www.sonictoolsusa.com)

SONIC designs and manufactures premium hand tools and toolbox solutions. The company's goal is to design and manufacture equipment that meets and exceeds all standards and for nearly 50 years it has accomplished that goal. SONIC is a Dutch-based company with facilities in the Netherlands, Germany and the U.S.



**TestEquity LLC - Techni-Tool**  
[www.testequity.com](http://www.testequity.com)

TestEquity is the industry's largest authorized distributor of test and measurement solutions and lab and production supplies. The company offers meticulously crafted professional tool kitting solutions ensuring each one is accurately routed for best fit, form, and function with sturdy innovative case design. We also design a full line of the industry's highest-quality environmental test chambers.



**Wing Aero Products, Inc.**  
[www.wingaero.com](http://www.wingaero.com)

Wing Aero Products is a distributor of aviation and maintenance training material and supplies to schools and businesses. With no minimum orders, free returns, same day shipping and a guarantee that your call will always be answered by a real person (and by the second ring), Wing Aero is continually living up to its commitment to love its customers and be "easy to buy from."



xennialdigital

**Xennial Digital**  
[www.xennialdigital.com](http://www.xennialdigital.com)

Xennial Digital (XD) is an XR company focused on building enterprise-grade Virtual and Augmented Reality solutions for business and academic institutions, with a special focus on the aviation and healthcare industries. Since its launch in March 2018, the company has built and deployed one-of-a-kind XR solutions and is currently building solutions for aviation technical education, including a Virtual Reality Airport that will deliver a multi-aircraft training simulator focused on skills development, maintenance scenarios and certification of aircraft technicians.

## NOTES

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---



# THANK YOU SPONSORS OF THE EMPLOYER LINK & CAREER FAIR

American  
Airlines



**HORIZON**  
AIR



BY TEXTRON AVIATION

**LOCKHEED MARTIN**



**envoy**



**AIRBUS**

**Air Wisconsin**  
AIRLINES



## *Ivan D Livi* *Educator of the Year*

*Presented by*



**Brad McDonald**  
Federal Aerospace Institution

## *James Rardon* *Student of the Year*

*Presented by*



**Waren Lelewa**  
Blue Ridge Community College

ATEC's sister-foundation, **Choose Aerospace**, had its third year of scholarships awarded to aviation maintenance students, schools and instructors. Over \$50,000 of cash awards, books, tool sets, and testing vouchers were awarded to deserving recipients thanks to our generous donors.



### AMT STUDENT AWARDS

SCHOLARSHIP	VALUE	RECIPIENT	SCHOOL
Choose Aerospace \$2,500 Scholarship	\$2,500	Sarah Kuder	LeTourneau University
Choose Aerospace \$1,500 Scholarship	\$1,500	Alicia Martinez	Pennsylvania College of Technology
AAR \$1500 Scholarship	\$1,500	Amber VanEvera	Liberty University
	\$1,500	Newton Kingsbury	Lansing Community College
	\$1,500	Quintin Dupper	Alabama Aviation College - Mobile
	\$1,500	Tarshiana Fullard	Aviation Institute of Maintenance - Charlotte
Aeronautical Repair Station Association \$1000 Scholarship	\$1,000	Austin Murphy	Tulsa Technology Center
Aviation Supplies & Academics, Inc. \$1000 Scholarship	\$1,000	Eric Harrison	Spartan College of Aeronautics and Technology - Riverside
	\$1,000	Jessica Barrios	National Aviation Academy Inc - Clearwater
Sonic Tools Intermediate Aviation Toolset	\$6,150	Christopher Meyer	National Aviation Academy Inc - Clearwater
Snap-On Tools Aviation Apprentice Toolset	\$5,340	Jessica Monrreal	Spartan College of Aeronautics and Technology - Riverside

**AMT STUDENT AWARDS**

SCHOLARSHIP	VALUE	RECIPIENT	SCHOOL
Avotek Aviation Maintenance Textbook	\$585	Erin Walling	Sinclair Community College
	\$585	Cole Cameron	Liberty University
	\$585	Jordan Limon	Pima Community College
	\$585	Tucker Key	Aviation Institute of Maintenance - Charlotte
	\$585	Annabel Rocha-Cole	Lansing Community College
Aircraft Technical Book Company EASA Part 66 B1.1 Airplane/Turbine Study Set	\$525	Marielle Demeterio	Spartan College of Aeronautics and Technology - Riverside
	\$525	Daniel Gibbs	Aviation Institute of Maintenance - Charlotte
Aircraft Technical Book Company EASA Part 66 B2 Avionics Study Set	\$495	Josef Gonzales	Aviation Institute of Maintenance - Kansas City
	\$495	Jared Binion	Aviation Institute of Maintenance - Charlotte
Aviation Supplies & Academics, Inc. A&P Textbook & eBook Set	\$479.50	Michael Graves	Tulsa Technology Center
CertTEC Aviation Structures Certification	\$400	Ryan Greer	Indian Hills Community College
CertTEC Basic Composites Certification Exam	\$400	Jake Hammer	Chandler Gilbert Community College
NRF FAA Test Fees Grant Award	\$350	Delaney Kreager	Lake Superior College
	\$350	Alexander Hardison	Tulsa Technology Center
Avotek Avionics Textbook	\$345	Allentu Maxey	Tulsa Technology Center
	\$345	Andrew Tomsio	Spartan College of Aeronautics and Technology - Riverside
	\$345	Dakkota Gary	Vincennes University Aviation Technology Center
	\$345	Ryan Berndt	Liberty University
	\$345	Josiah Mancilla	Aviation Institute of Maintenance - Charlotte
Aircraft Technical Book Company A&P Textbook Set	\$312.95	Shayne Worrell	Aviation Institute of Maintenance - Charlotte
	\$312.95	Joshua Schilinski	Liberty University
	\$312.95	Evan Carling	Cape Cod Community College
ASTM NCATT AET Test Voucher	\$310	Jotham Keller	Alabama Aviation College - Ozark
	\$310	Nathan Smelser	Pennsylvania College of Technology

**AMT SCHOOL AWARD**

SCHOLARSHIP	VALUE	RECIPIENT	SCHOOL
Nida Aviation Maintenance Training System	\$13,385	Michael Sasso	Cape Cod Community College

# AVIATION TECHNICAL EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

for students,  
instructors & schools



CHOOSE  
AEROSPACE

IN COLLABORATION WITH ATEC



PHOTO COURTESY OF  
WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

Cash awards, textbooks, toolsets, testing fees and more  
available to students, instructors and schools.

THANKS TO OUR GENEROUS DONORS



For more information, visit [chooseaerospace.org/scholarship](https://chooseaerospace.org/scholarship)

To donate for 2023, or to serve on the applicant review board,  
email [careers@chooseaerospace.org](mailto:careers@chooseaerospace.org).

**Abadia, Chris**

Director of Aviation  
Northwest Florida State College  
abadiac@nwfsc.edu

**Abernathy, John**

Instructor  
Forsyth Technical Community College  
jabernathy@forsythtech.edu

**Agnich Jr., Ron**

Program Director  
Del Mar College  
aagnich@delmar.edu

**Ahsan, Qamar**

President  
AeroTrain Corp.  
qahsan@aerotrainscorp.com

**Alexander, Kenny**

Chancellor  
Aviation Institute of Maintenance  
kalexander@centura.edu

**Alotaibi, Barjes**

Managing Director  
ARCS Aviation  
barjes@arcsaviation.com

**Anderson, Buddy**

Instructor  
Southern University at Shreveport  
banderson@susla.edu

**Anderson, Doug**

Interim Dean  
North Idaho College  
dfanderson@nic.edu

**Andrews, Antone**

Field Avionics Manager  
General Atomics Aeronautical Systems,  
Inc.  
Antone.Andrews@ga-asi.com

**Anthony, Craig**

Marketing Director  
Tango Flight, Inc.  
craig@tangoflight.org

**Arrazola, Angel**

Maintenance Recruiter  
Envoy Air  
Angel.Arrazola@aa.com

**Asplund, Jana**

President  
Nida Corporation  
janaa@nida.com

**Atkins, Colette**

Associate Vice President  
Kirkwood Community College  
colette.atkins@kirkwood.edu

**Ayon, Grace**

Recruitment & Placement Coordinator  
Northwest Florida State College  
ayong@nwfsc.edu

**Ayoub, Nasir**

Workforce Development Coordinator  
Prince William County Public Schools  
ayoubn@pwcs.edu

**Badia, Jorge**

Instructor  
North Central Institute  
jbadia728@gmail.com

**Bailey, Earl**

Senior Manager Education Partnerships  
Snap-on Tools  
Earl.P.Bailey@snapon.com

**Baker, Dee**

CFO  
Foundation for Business Aircraft Records  
Excellence  
dee@corporate-integrity-solutions.com

**Barrier, Jess**

Managing Director  
American Airlines  
jess.barrier@aa.com

**Bathurst, Mark**

Director, Aviation Maintenance  
Lansing Community College  
bathursm@lcc.edu

**Bellinger, Nathan**

Program Director  
Kirkwood Community College  
nathan.bellinger@kirkwood.edu

**Benard, Justin**

Aviation Instructor  
Moore Norman Technology Center  
justin.benard@mntc.edu

**Black, Jackie**

Manager, Aircraft Maintenance Division  
Federal Aviation Administration  
Jackie.l.black@faa.gov

**Blank, Bradley**

Faculty  
Liberty University  
bblank@liberty.edu

**Blevins, Robert**

State Supervisor  
Florida Department of Education  
robert.blevins@fldoe.org

**Bourne, Warren**

Instructor  
Pittsburgh Institute of Aeronautics -  
Myrtle Beach  
wbourne@pia.edu

**Bowen, David**

Sr. Director, Technical Training  
Aviation Technical Services  
david.bowen@atsmro.com

**Brickner, Kevin**

Senior Vice President Tech Ops  
American Airlines  
kevin.brickner@aa.com

**Britt, Jared**

Director of Global Aviation Maintenance  
Training  
Southern Utah University  
jaredbritt@suu.edu

**Browning, Boe**

EVP of Education  
National Aviation Academy Inc - New  
England  
wbrowning@naa.edu

**Brumley, Tina**

Director of Academic Programs  
TestEquity LLC - Techni-Tool  
tina.brumley@testequity.com

**Burk, Bob**

Vice President  
Nida Corporation  
bobb@nida.com

**Canion, Larry**

Program Coordinator  
St. Philips College  
lcanion1@alamo.edu

**Capps**, Robert

Statewide Department Chair  
Texas State Technical College - Abilene  
robert.capps@tstc.edu

**Chapman**, Kozetta

Senior Manager Technical Operations  
Recruiting & Development  
American Airlines  
Kozetta.Chapman@aa.com

**Charlier**, Scott

Maintenance Base Manager  
Air Wisconsin  
scott.charlier@airwis.com

**Chernicky**, Tim

Executive Director  
Aviation Institute of Maintenance -  
Kansas City  
intledu@aviationmaintenance.edu

**Chesley**, Randy

Program Coordinator  
Utah State University  
randy.chesley@usu.edu

**Choate**, Roy

Project Management and Planning  
Manager  
Lockheed Martin  
roy.e.choate@lmco.com

**Clark**, Ben

Associate Director of Academic Affairs  
Aviation Institute of Maintenance  
bclark@centura.edu

**Clinton**, Maria

Interim Dean of CTE  
Antelope Valley College  
mclinton@avc.edu

**Coleman**, Angel

Tech Ops Training Technical Assistant  
American Airlines

**Coley**, Chris

Campus Executive Director  
Aviation Institute of Maintenance - Dallas  
directoramd@aviationmaintenance.edu

**Copenhaver**, Bonny

President  
New River Community and Technical  
College  
bcopenhaver@newriver.edu

**Cozart**, Jacob

MTX Recruiter  
Piedmont Airlines, Inc.  
Jacob.cozart@aa.com

**Crane**, Barrett

National Sales Manager  
Snap-on Tools  
barrett.crane@snapon.com

**Crawford**, Jill

HR Generalist  
Aviation Technical Services  
jill.crawford@atsmro.com

**Creech**, Kenneth

Aviation Technology Instructor  
Wayne Community College  
kbcreech@waynecc.edu

**Crumpler, Jr.**, Mike

Director  
Wayne Community College  
smcrumpler@waynecc.edu

**Curnow**, Jr., Mark

Director, Business Development Services  
Airbus Americas, Inc.  
mark.curnow@airbus.com

**Cwik**, Tim

Division Chair - Aviation  
Atlantic Cape Community College  
tcwik@atlantic.edu

**Dellinger**, Greg

Outreach  
AAR Corp  
gdellinger@aarcorp.com

**Despain**, Bryan

Lead Instructor  
Columbia Gorge Community College  
bdespain@cgcc.edu

**Dixon**, DeWayne

Global outreach, engagement and  
government affairs  
FlightSafety International, Inc.  
Marlin.Dixon@flightsafety.com

**Dom**, George

COO - ACI Jet  
Cuesta College  
gdom@acijet.com

**Donner**, Riki

Regional Director, People  
Aviation Technical Services  
riki.donner@atsmro.com

**Dow**, Lee

Director of Aerospace, Transportation &  
Cosmetology  
Moore Norman Technology Center  
Lee.dow@mntc.edu

**Dunagan**, Jeff

Project Manager  
General Atomics Aeronautical Systems, Inc.  
Jeffrey.Dunagan@ga-asi.com

**DuRand**, Skip

AMT Director  
California Aeronautical University  
SkipD@calaero.edu

**Dyen**, Fred

Professor  
Blue Ridge Community College  
dyenf@brcc.edu

**Eller**, Blake

AMT Instructor  
Tulsa Technology Center  
blake.eller@tulsatech.edu

**Ellis**, Jim

Manager of Maintenance Training  
PSA Airlines  
james.h.ellis@PSAAirlines.com

**Elsley**, Austin

Chief Credit Officer  
FMS Bank  
aelsley@fmsbank.com

**Emerson**, Greg

Vice President, Base Maintenance  
American Airlines  
greg.emerson@aa.com

**English**, Joel

Executive Vice President  
Aviation Institute of Maintenance  
jenglish@centura.edu

**Fajardo**, Douglas

CEO  
Xennial Digital  
douglas.fajardo@xennialdigital.com

**Farber**, Chris

Faculty  
WSU Tech  
cfarber@wsutech.edu

**Filgo**, Kelly

Aviation Maintenance Lead Instructor  
Texas State Technical College - Waco  
kelly.filgo@tstc.edu

**Flynn, Tyrone**

Senior Analyst Regional Operations  
American Airlines  
tyrone.flynn@aa.com

**Folds, Jonathan**

VP/General Manager  
Wing Aero Products, Inc.  
jonathanfolds@wingaero.com

**Foreman, Cindy**

President  
CES Composites  
cescindyf@aol.com

**Franco, Aura**

Sr. Client Relationship Director  
Xennial Digital  
aura.franco@xennialdigital.com

**Franzwick, Jr., Donald**

Lead Instructor  
Pittsburgh Institute of Aeronautics -  
Hagerstown  
dfranzwick@pia.edu

**Fry, Taylor**

Recruiter  
Textron Aviation  
tfry@txtav.com

**Fry, Wayne**

Division Manager  
Federal Aviation Administration  
wayne.p.fry@faa.gov

**Gallagan, Sean**

Chief Executive Officer  
Aviation Workforce Solutions  
sean@aviationworkforcesolutions.com

**Gamble, John**

Education Partnerships Manager  
Snap-on Tools  
john.gamble@snapon.com

**Garces, Evie**

Managing Director, Maintenance  
Operations Control  
American Airlines

**Gehrich, Mike**

Director of Aviation  
Vincennes University Aviation  
Technology Center  
mgehrich@vinu.edu

**Geske, Jamie**

Maintenance Recruiter  
PSA Airlines  
Jamie.Geske@psaairlines.com

**Gibson, Ryan**

Sales Representative  
TestEquity LLC - Techni-Tool  
ryan.gibson@testequity.com

**Gilbert, Dr. Brad**

Director of Aviation Technology  
Robert C. Byrd National Aerospace  
Education Center  
bgilbert@pierpont.edu

**Gleaton, Nicole**

Director of Communications  
Aviation Institute of Maintenance  
ngleaton@centura.edu

**Goertzen, Ryan**

VP Maintenance Workforce  
Development  
AAR Corp  
Ryan.Goertzen@aarcorp.com

**Gold, Andrew**

President  
Aircraft Technical Book Company  
agold@actechbooks.com

**Gonzalez, Juan**

Assistant Director of Education  
MIAT College of Technology - Houston  
jgonzalez@miat.edu

**Grant, Melissa**

Director of Graduate Services  
California Aeronautical University  
raschelg@calaero.edu

**Greene, Michael**

General Manager Indianapolis Service  
Center  
Textron Aviation  
greene01@txtav.com

**Gregory, Charlie**

Dean of Instruction & Workforce  
Development  
Western Nebraska Community College  
gregor43@wncc.edu

**Hall, Jim**

Dean, Aviation & Manufacturing National  
Center for Aviation Training  
WSU Tech  
jhall5@wsutech.edu

**Halliday, Jack**

Professor  
Antelope Valley College  
jhalliday@avc.edu

**Harris, Edward**

Sales Engineer  
Heatcon Composite Systems  
eharris@heatcon.com

**Hart, Brian**

Instructor  
Metro Technology Center  
brian.hart@metrotech.edu

**Hayden, Brad**

Founder & CEO  
Robotic Skies  
brad.hayden@roboticskies.com

**Hayden, Tomas**

Talent Acquisition Representative  
Endeavor Air, Inc.  
tomas.hayden@endeavorair.com

**Haywood, Miranda**

Manager, Procurement Services and  
Grant Management Division  
Federal Aviation Administration  
miranda.haywood@faa.gov

**Hensley, Robert**

Instructor  
Metro Technology Center  
robert.hensley@metrotech.edu

**Hess, Blair**

STEM AVSED Program Analyst  
Federal Aviation Administration  
blair.hess@faa.gov

**Hidalgo, CR**

Principal  
George T. Baker Aviation Technical  
College  
cirohidalgo@dadeschools.net

**Hinebaugh, Larry**

Executive Director  
Foundation for Business Aircraft Records  
Excellence  
Larry@businessaircraftrecords.org

**Holloway, Mark**

Director of Aviation Education  
Aviation Institute of Maintenance  
diraviation@aviationmaintenance.edu

**Horton, Brennen**

Talent Acquisition Consultant  
Republic Airways Holdings  
brennen.horton@rjet.com

## Hoyle, Gary

Director of Campus Operations  
Pittsburgh Institute of Aeronautics -  
Pittsburgh  
ghoyle@pia.edu

## Huss, Jared

Director of Aeronautics  
Fox Valley Technical College  
huss@fvtc.edu

## Irby, Darrell

Program Coordinator  
Tarrant County College  
darrell.irby@tccd.edu

## Isulaim, Yaisr

Intern  
ARCS Aviation

## Johnson, Dr. Karen

Associate Professor  
Southern Illinois University Carbondale  
karen.johnson@siu.edu

## Johnson, Katie

Manager Talent Acquisition  
Endeavor Air, Inc.  
katie.johnson@endeavorair.com

## Johnson, Larry

Professor  
Sacramento City College  
johnson@scc.losrios.edu

## Johnson, Mary

Professor & Assoc Head, Grad Studies  
and Research  
Purdue University  
mejohanson@purdue.edu

## Johnston, Matt

President  
California Aeronautical University  
mattj@calaero.edu

## Jones, David

Senior Writer/Editor  
Avotek  
davidj@avotek.com

## Joppa, Dan

Applied Technologies Division Chair  
Western Nebraska Community College  
joppad1@wncc.edu

## Jovicevic, Nicole

Early Careers Program Manager  
Airbus Americas, Inc.  
nicole.jovicevic@airbus.com

## Kane, Steve

Executive Director  
SpaceTEC/CertTEC  
stevekane@spacetec.us

## Kaylor, Timothy

Instructor  
Southern University at Shreveport  
tkaylor@susla.edu

## Kealey, Dawn

Director, Aviation Technologies  
WSU Tech  
dkealey@wsutech.edu

## Kelley, Christine

Student  
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University  
kellec1298@gmail.com

## Kinard, Dr. Don

Senior Fellow - Production Operations  
Lockheed Martin  
don.a.kinard@lmco.com

## King, Scott

National Safety and Standards Director  
Aircraft Mechanics Fraternal Association  
scott.king@amfanatl.org

## Klaverwieden, Teri

Manager  
Piedmont Airlines, Inc.  
teri.klaverweiden@aa.com

## Klym, Randy

Vice President of Business Development  
Aircraft Technologies Group  
randy@myatg.aero

## Lacek, Steve

Director, Institutional Effectiveness and  
Grants  
New River Community and Technical  
College  
slacek@newriver.edu

## Laitinen, Thomas

Assistant Director - Regulatory Affairs  
FlightSafety International, Inc.  
thomas.laitinen@flightsafety.com

## Landrus, Heather

Manager, Maintenance Process and  
Administration  
Endeavor Air, Inc.  
Heather.Landrus@endeavorair.com

## Laxson, Thomas

AMT Department Chair  
Portland Community College  
thomas.laxson@pcc.edu

## Lelewa, Waren

Student of the Year  
Blue Ridge Community College  
wol2815@email.vccs.edu

## Leo, Michael

Sales Representative  
Avotek  
michael@avotek.com

## Leonardo, Rui

Vice President  
Aircraft Mechanics Fraternal Association  
President@AMFA32.com

## Ley, Stephen

Associate Professor  
Utah Valley University  
sley@uvu.edu

## Liriano, Victor

Director, Maintenance Training  
Airbus Americas, Inc.  
victor.liriano@airbus.com

## Logan, Emily

Dean  
Kirkwood Community College  
emily.logan@kirkwood.edu

## Luck, Jon

Career Development Coordinator  
Epic Aviation  
jon-luck@epicflightacademy.com

## Lutz, Andrew

Intern  
Aircraft Technical Book Company  
bugsymoon4@yahoo.com

## Lutz, Kelly

General Manager  
Aircraft Technical Book Company  
kelly@actechbooks.com

## Madden, Justin

Executive Director of Government Affairs  
Aircraft Mechanics Fraternal Association  
justin.madden@amfanatl.org



**Madison, Dominique**  
 Recruiting Specialist  
 Air Wisconsin  
 Dominique.madison@airwis.com

**Maguire, Crystal**  
 Executive Director  
 Aviation Technician Education Council  
 crystal.maguire@atec-amt.org

**Mallory, Scott**  
 Sr. Specialist, Campus Talent Acquisition  
 American Airlines  
 scott.mallory@aa.com

**Malmborg, Daron**  
 Aviation Safety Inspector  
 Federal Aviation Administration  
 daron.b.malmborg@faa.gov

**Manuel, Robert**  
 Director of Education  
 Aviation Institute of Maintenance - Dallas  
 directedamd@aviationmaintenance.edu

**Marrero, Erik**  
 Maintenance Instructor  
 Airbus Americas, Inc.  
 erik.marrero@airbus.com

**Mastrogiovanni, Andrew**  
 Manager of Talent Acquisition  
 PSA Airlines  
 andrew.mastrogiovanni@psairlines.com

**Maxwell, Josh**  
 Recruiting Supervisor  
 PSA Airlines  
 joshua.maxwell@psairlines.com

**May, Toby**  
 Production Staffing Multifunctioning  
 Manufacturing Asc Mgr  
 Lockheed Martin  
 toby.d.may@lmco.com

**McClure, Trey**  
 Manager, Delegation Program Branch  
 Federal Aviation Administration  
 trey.mcclure@faa.gov

**McDonald, Brad**  
 CEO & Educator of the Year  
 Federal Aerospace Institute  
 bmcdonald@fai Toledo.com

**McIntyre, Mac**  
 Department Chair & Dean of Students  
 Spartan College of Aeronautics and  
 Technology - Riverside  
 stephen.mcintyre@spartan.edu

**McKee, Kyle**  
 Department Chair of Aviation Technology  
 Ozarks Technical Community College  
 mckee@otc.edu

**Meanor, Joel**  
 Managing Partner  
 JSfirm, LLC

**Merriman, Robin**  
 Talent Acquisition Manager  
 Textron Aviation  
 rmerriman01@txtav.com

**Miner, Mark**  
 Vice President, Line Maintenance  
 American Airlines

**Mitchell, Michael**  
 Hiring Manager  
 The Boeing Company  
 Michael.Mitchell9@boeing.com

**Mitchell, Mike**  
 Lead Instructor  
 Western Nebraska Community College  
 mitche92@wncc.edu

**Mongan, Jason**  
 Executive Director for Academic and  
 Student Affairs  
 Pittsburgh Institute of Aeronautics -  
 Pittsburgh  
 jmongan@pia.edu

**Moore, Donna**  
 Associate Dean of Instruction  
 Pittsburgh Institute of Aeronautics -  
 Pittsburgh  
 dmoore@pia.edu

**Moore, Fawn**  
 Lead Instructor  
 Pittsburgh Institute of Aeronautics -  
 Youngstown  
 Fmoore@pia.edu

**Morgan, Kevin**  
 Manager, Airman Section, Aircraft  
 Maintenance Division  
 Federal Aviation Administration  
 Kevin.Morgan@faa.gov

**Muller, Margaret**  
 Director of Talent Management  
 PSA Airlines  
 margaret.muller@aa.com

**Murray, Barbara**  
 Executive Director  
 ACCEraterate - US DOL Apprenticeship  
 brmurray77@gmail.com

**Nicklin, Zack**  
 UAS Program Manager  
 Northland Community and Technical  
 College  
 zackary.nicklin@northlandcollege.edu

**Nirider, Olivia**  
 Event Coordinator  
 AeroTrain Corp.  
 sales@aerotrainingcorp.com

**O'Brien, Gregg**  
 Education Program Manager  
 National Aviation Academy Inc -  
 Clearwater  
 gobrien@naa.edu

**O'Halloran, Patrick**  
 Aerospace Director  
 North Idaho College  
 pcohalloran@nic.edu

**Ochs, Rick**  
 Chief Executive Officer  
 Spirit Aeronautics  
 rick@spirit aeronautics.com

**Oord, David**  
 Policy Manager  
 Wisk  
 david.oord@wisk.aero

**Overacker, Ron**  
 Curriculum Consultant  
 Cuesta College  
 ronoveracker@gmail.com

**Oxley, Sheryl**  
 Aviation Program Coordinator  
 Tulsa Technology Center  
 sheryl.oxley@tulsatech.edu

**Parham, Fred**  
 Associate Director of Training  
 Aviation Training Institute at Vaughn  
 College  
 fred.parham@vaughn.edu

**Parish, David**  
Instructor  
Liberty University  
wdparish@liberty.edu

**Phillips, Crotez**  
Recruiter  
The Boeing Company  
cortez.phillips2@boeing.com

**Phillips, Daniel**  
Director of College & Career Readiness  
Grand Island Senior High  
dphillips@gips.org

**Pine, Jon**  
Aviation Instructor  
WSU Tech  
jpine@wsutech.edu

**Pinto, Carla**  
Associate Dean  
Broward College  
cpinto@broward.edu

**Ponas, Glenn**  
Director of High School Outreach  
Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association  
glenn.ponas@aopa.org

**Pritchard, Kim**  
Technical Training Manager - UAS  
Zipline International, Inc.  
kim.pritchard@flyzipline.com

**Proscia, Chris**  
Director, Technical Operations  
Hallmark University  
cproscia@hallmarkuniversity.edu

**Proscia, Domenic**  
Vice President of Training  
Aviation Training Institute at Vaughn  
College  
domenic.proscia@vaughn.edu

**Pryor, Marshall**  
Faculty  
Portland Community College  
mpryor@pcc.edu

**Pudduck, Chris**  
Program Director  
MIAT College of Technology - Canton  
cpudduck@miat.edu

**Punnassery, Fazil**  
AMT SME  
ARCS Aviation  
fazil@arcsaviation.com

**Purdin, Ashley**  
Assistant Dean of Technical Education  
Spokane Community College  
ashley.purdin@scc.spokane.edu

**Rapp, Marion**  
Marketing Director  
Federal Aerospace Institute  
marion@faitoledo.com

**Rawlins, Josh**  
COO  
Epic Aviation  
josh@epicflightacademy.com

**Reckert, Robert**  
Manager, Regulatory Support Division  
Federal Aviation Administration  
robert.reckert@faa.gov

**Rios, Gabe**  
Senior Recruiter  
Southwest Airlines  
Gabriel.rios@wnco.com

**Riskey, Daniel**  
Program Manager  
Southwest Airlines  
daniel.riskey@wnco.com

**Robbins, Greg**  
Sales Manager  
Aviation Supplies & Academics, Inc.  
greg@asa2fly.com

**Rose, Eric**  
Recruiter, Operations  
Envoy Air  
eric.j.rose@aa.com

**Ross, Cierra**  
National Recruitment Business Partner  
Airbus Americas, Inc.  
cierra.ross@airbus.com

**Rudser, Stacey**  
Scholarship Chair  
Association for Women in Aviation  
Maintenance  
Stacey\_rudser@awam.org

**Russo, Bill**  
Director  
Association for Women in Aviation  
Maintenance  
bill\_russo@awam.org

**Ruttman, Tarra**  
Operations Manager  
Aviation Technician Education Council  
atec@atec-amt.org

**Ryerson, Robert**  
Director of Education  
National Aviation Academy Inc -  
Clearwater  
rryerson@naa.edu

**Sampson, Brian**  
Director of Physical Plant II  
New River Community and Technical  
College  
bsampson@newriver.edu

**Santiago-Santana, Diana**  
Aviation Program Manager  
Lewis Wilson Technology Center  
dsantiago@wsboces.org

**Sasso, Michael**  
AMT Program Director  
Cape Cod Community College  
msasso@capecod.edu

**Saxton, Scott**  
Director of Sales  
SONIC Tools  
scott@sonictoolsusa.com

**Saylor, Josh**  
Aviation Maintenance Instructor  
Fox Valley Technical College  
saylor@fvtc.edu

**Sharp, Chris**  
Manager, Aviation Workforce and  
Education Division  
Federal Aviation Administration  
chris.sharp@faa.gov

**Sherman, Carl**  
Representative  
Texas House of Representatives  
Irma.Scholes@house.texas.gov

**Sickler, Terry**  
Program Coordinator/Adjunct Instructor  
Western Nebraska Community College  
sicklert@wncc.edu

**Simpson, Scott**  
Instructor  
WSU Tech  
ssimpson3@wsutech.edu

**Smith, Andrew**  
Professor  
Kansas State University Salina  
atsmith@ksu.edu

**Smith, Carlos**  
Assistant Professor  
Middle Tennessee State University  
carlos.smith@mtsu.edu

**Smith, James**  
CEO/President  
FMS Bank  
jsmith@fmsbank.com

**Smith, James**  
Program Director - Aviation  
Marshall University  
jsmith@marshall.edu

**Smith, Olivia**  
North American- Education Sales  
SONIC Tools  
Olivia@sonictoolsusa.com

**Smith, Ryan**  
Program Manager, Airman Testing  
Standards  
Federal Aviation Administration  
Ryan.C.Smith@faa.gov

**Smith, Stan**  
Director  
Alabama Aviation College - Ozark  
ssmith@escs.edu

**Snider, Brian**  
Marketing Director  
Aviation Supplies & Academics, Inc.  
brian@asa2fly.com

**Sooter, Craig**  
Pilot/Mechanic  
American Airlines  
casooter@mac.com

**Spells, Everett**  
Instructor  
Southern University at Shreveport  
espells@susla.edu

**Stark, Don**  
Teacher  
Miami Valley Career Technology Center  
donald.stark123@outlook.com

**Stauffer, Kent**  
Chief Safety Officer  
Constant Aviation  
kstauffer@constantaviation.com

**Stavenhagen, Scott**  
Manager Talent Acquisition  
Lockheed Martin  
scott.a.stavenhagen@lmco.com

**Strong, Jeff**  
Writer/Editor  
Avotek  
jeff@avotek.com

**Swannie, Kipp**  
Maintenance Recruiter  
Envoy Air  
kipp.swannie@aa.com

**Sykes, Scott**  
VP - Business Development  
U.S. Aviation Academy - Denton  
ssykes@usaviation.aero

**Tadajewski, Roger**  
Executive Director  
National Coalition of Certification Centers  
roger.tadajewski@nc3.net

**Tanner, Chad**  
FAA STEM Outreach  
Federal Aviation Administration  
chad.t.tanner@faa.gov

**Taylor, John**  
Manufacturing Director  
Lockheed Martin  
john.m.taylor@lmco.com

**Tesser, David**  
Department Chair - Aircraft Systems  
Science  
LeTourneau University  
davidtesser@letu.edu

**Toth, Sean**  
VP, Technical Services  
Republic Airways Holdings  
sean.toth@rjet.com

**Trabookis, Zachary**  
Lead Developer  
Clemson University Center for Workforce  
Development  
ztraboo@clemson.edu

**Tramper, William**  
President  
CES Trainers  
williamt@azimuthaero.com

**Vega, Archie**  
Director of Maintenance and Planning  
Horizon Air  
archie.vega@horizonair.com

**Waddell Smith, Shelly**  
Program Manager  
Federal Aviation Administration  
shelly.waddell@faa.gov

**Wagler, Luke**  
Instructor  
Tulsa Technology Center  
Luke.wagler@tulsatech.edu

**Wagner, Eric**  
Talent Program Manager Tech Ops  
Outreach & Recruitment  
Endeavor Air, Inc.  
eric.wagner@endeavorair.com

**Walker, Wes**  
Aviation Maintenance Instructor  
Helena College University of Montana  
wesley.walker@helenacollege.edu

**Weatherholt, Mathew**  
Lead Instructor - Aviation  
Marshall University  
matt.weatherholt@marshall.edu

**Weaver, David**  
Instructor  
St. Philips College  
dweaver@alamo.edu

**Weaver, Jonathan**  
Academic Program Coordinator  
Kent State University  
jweaver9@kent.edu

**Webb, Leah**  
Executive Administrator  
ARCS Aviation  
leah.stipelcovich@arcsaviation.com

**Weney, Jessica**  
Senior MTX Recruiter  
Piedmont Airlines, Inc.  
jessica.weney@aa.com

**Westfall, Nolan**  
Recruiter  
The Boeing Company  
nolan.westfall@boeing.com

**Weyant, Dan**  
Executive Director  
Tango Flight, Inc.  
dan@tangoflight.org

**White, Chad**  
General Manager, Service Center  
Textron Aviation  
twhite@txtav.com

**White, Jr., Dr. Ernie**  
Dean of Applied Technologies  
Wayne Community College  
egwhite@waynecc.edu

**Whiteside, Rich**  
Director of Special Projects  
MIAT College of Technology - Houston  
rwhiteside@miat.edu

**Wichman, Matt**  
Principal  
Grand Island Senior High  
mwichman@gips.org

**Willden, Amelia**  
Program Coordinator  
Southern Utah University  
ameliawillden@suu.edu

**Williamson, Case**  
Instructor  
Tarrant County College  
case.williamson@tccd.edu

**Wilson, Cedric**  
Managing Director, Line Maintenance  
American Airlines

**Wilson, Dezron**  
MTX Recruiter  
Piedmont Airlines, Inc.  
Dezron.wilson@aa.com

**Wineburner, John**  
Director of Maintenance  
Air Wisconsin  
john.wineburner@airwis.com

**Wise, Robbie**  
AMT Instructor  
Tulsa Technology Center  
robert.wise@tulsatech.edu

**Worthington, Ron**  
Vice President Curriculum Development  
Spartan College of Aeronautics and  
Technology - Tulsa  
ron.worthington@spartan.edu

**Yorgey, Kurt**  
Director of Aeronautics  
Fox Valley Technical College  
kurt.yorgey@aa.com

**Yother, Tracy**  
Assistant Professor  
Purdue University  
tyother@purdue.edu

**Young, Candy**  
Sr. Specialist, Training Compliance and  
Standards  
American Airlines  
Candy.young@aa.com

**Younger, Stan**  
Dean, College of Aeronautics  
Hallmark University  
syounger@hallmarkuniversity.edu

## CALL FOR PAPERS

*The ATEC Journal* (ISSN 1068-5901) is a peer-reviewed, biannual electronic publication that provides an opportunity for educators, administrators, students and industry personnel to share teaching techniques and research. Published papers are considered for presentation at the **2023 ATEC Annual Conference**.

Deadline to submit is May 1 (spring edition) and October 1 (fall edition).

More information at [atec-amt.org/the-journal](https://atec-amt.org/the-journal).



**AAR Corp**

Dellinger, Greg  
Goertzen, Ryan

**ACCEraterate - US DOL  
Apprenticeship**

Murray, Barbara

**AeroTrain Corp.**

Ahsan, Qamar  
Nirider, Olivia

**Air Wisconsin**

Charlier, Scott  
Madison, Dominique  
Wineburner, John

**Airbus Americas, Inc.**

Curnow, Jr., Mark  
Jovicevic, Nicole  
Liriano, Victor  
Marrero, Erik  
Ross, Cierra

**Aircraft Mechanics Fraternal  
Association**

King, Scott  
Leonardo, Rui  
Madden, Justin

**Aircraft Owners and Pilots  
Association**

Ponas, Glenn

**Aircraft Technical Book Company**

Lutz, Andrew  
Gold, Andrew  
Lutz, Kelly

**Aircraft Technologies Group**

Klym, Randy

**Alabama Aviation College -  
Ozark**

Smith, Stan

**American Airlines**

Barrier, Jess  
Brickner, Kevin  
Chapman, Kozetta  
Coleman, Angel  
Emerson, Greg  
Flynn, Tyrone  
Garces, Evie  
Mallory, Scott  
Miner, Mark  
Sooter, Craig  
Wilson, Cedric  
Young, Candy

**Antelope Valley College**

Clinton, Maria  
Halliday, Jack

**ARCS Aviation**

Alotaibi, Barjes  
Isulaim, Yasir  
Punnassery, Fazil  
Webb, Leah

**Association for Women in  
Aviation Maintenance**

Rudser, Stacey  
Russo, Bill

**Atlantic Cape Community  
College**

Cwik, Tim

**Aviation Institute of  
Maintenance**

Alexander, Kenny  
Clark, Ben  
English, Joel  
Gleaton, Nicole  
Holloway, Mark

**Aviation Institute of  
Maintenance - Dallas**

Coley, Chris  
Manuel, Robert

**Aviation Institute of  
Maintenance - Kansas City**

Chernicky, Tim

**Aviation Supplies & Academics, Inc.**

Robbins, Greg  
Snider, Brian

**Aviation Technical Services**

Bowen, David  
Crawford, Jill  
Donner, Riki

**Aviation Technician Education  
Council**

Maguire, Crystal  
Ruttman, Tarra

**Aviation Training Institute at  
Vaughn College**

Parham, Fred  
Proscia, Domenic

**Aviation Workforce Solutions**

Gallagan, Sean

**Avotek**

Jones, David  
Leo, Michael  
Strong, Jeff

**Blue Ridge Community College**

Dyen, Fred  
Lelewa, Waren

**Broward College**

Pinto, Carla

**California Aeronautical  
University**

DuRand, Skip  
Grant, Melissa  
Johnston, Matt

**Cape Cod Community College**

Sasso, Michael

**CES Composites**

Foreman, Cindy

**CES Trainers**

Tramper, William

**Clemson University Center for  
Workforce Development**

Trabookis, Zachary

**Columbia Gorge Community  
College**

Despain, Bryan

**Constant Aviation**

Stauffer, Kent

**Cuesta College**

Dom, George

**Del Mar College**

Agnich Jr., Ron

**Embry-Riddle Aeronautical  
University**

Kelley, Christine

**Endeavor Air, Inc.**

Hayden, Tomas  
Johnson, Katie  
Landrus, Heather  
Wagner, Eric

**Envoy Air**

Arrazola, Angel  
Rose, Eric  
Swannie, Kipp

## **Epic Aviation**

Luck, Jon  
Rawlins, Josh

## **Federal Aerospace Institute**

McDonald, Brad  
Rapp, Marion

## **Federal Aviation Administration**

Black, Jackie  
Fry, Wayne  
Haywood, Miranda  
Hess, Blair  
McClure, Trey  
Morgan, Kevin  
Reckert, Robert  
Sharp, Chris  
Smith, Ryan  
Tanner, Chad  
Waddell Smith, Shelly

## **FlightSafety International, Inc.**

Dixon, DeWayne  
Laitinen, Thomas

## **Florida Department of Education**

Blevins, Robert

## **FMS Bank**

Elsey, Austin  
Smith, James

## **Forsyth Technical Community College**

Abernathy, John

## **Foundation for Business Aircraft Records Excellence**

Baker, Dee  
Hinebaugh, Larry

## **Fox Valley Technical College**

Huss, Jared  
Saylor, Josh

## **General Atomics Aeronautical Systems, Inc.**

Andrews, Antone  
Dunagan, Jeff

## **George T. Baker Aviation Technical College**

Hidalgo, CR

## **Grand Island Senior High**

Phillips, Daniel  
Wichman, Matt

## **Hallmark University**

Proscia, Chris  
Younger, Stan

## **Heatcon Composite Systems**

Harris, Edward

## **Helena College University of Montana**

Walker, Wes

## **Horizon Air**

Vega, Archie

## **JSfirm, LLC**

Meanor, Joel

## **Kansas State University Salina**

Smith, Andrew

## **Kent State University**

Weaver, Jonathan

## **Kirkwood Community College**

Atkins, Colette  
Bellinger, Nathan  
Logan, Emily

## **Lansing Community College**

Bathurst, Mark

## **LeTourneau University**

Tesser, David

## **Lewis Wilson Technology Center**

Santiago-Santana, Diana

## **Liberty University**

Blank, Bradley  
Parish, David

## **Lockheed Martin**

Choate, Roy  
Kinard, Dr. Don  
May, Toby  
Stavenhagen, Scott  
Taylor, John

## **Marshall University**

Smith, James  
Weatherholt, Mathew

## **Metro Technology Center**

Hart, Brian  
Hensley, Robert

## **Miami Valley Career Technology Center**

Stark, Don

## **MIAT College of Technology - Canton**

Pudduck, Chris

## **MIAT College of Technology - Houston**

Gonzalez, Juan  
Whiteside, Rich

## **Middle Tennessee State University**

Smith, Carlos

## **Moore Norman Technology Center**

Benard, Justin  
Center  
Dow, Lee

## **National Aviation Academy Inc - Clearwater**

O'Brien, Gregg  
Ryerson, Robert

## **National Aviation Academy Inc - New England**

Browning, Boe

## **National Coalition of Certification Centers**

Tadajewski, Roger

## **New River Community and Technical College**

Copenhaver, Bonny  
Lacek, Steve  
Sampson, Brian

## **Nida Corporation**

Asplund, Jana  
Burk, Bob

## **North Central Institute**

Badia, Jorge

## **North Idaho College**

Anderson, Doug  
O'Halloran, Patrick

## **Northland Community and Technical College**

Nicklin, Zack

## **Northwest Florida State College**

Abadia, Chris  
Ayon, Grace

## **Ozarks Technical Community College**

McKee, Kyle

**Piedmont Airlines, Inc.**

Cozart, Jacob  
 Klaverwieden, Teri  
 Wene, Jessica  
 Wilson, Dezron  
 Yorgey, Kurt

**Pittsburgh Institute of Aeronautics - Hagerstown**

Franzwick, Jr., Donald

**Pittsburgh Institute of Aeronautics - Myrtle Beach**

Bourne, Warren

**Pittsburgh Institute of Aeronautics - Pittsburgh**

Hoyle, Gary  
 Mongan, Jason  
 Moore, Donna

**Pittsburgh Institute of Aeronautics - Youngstown**

Moore, Fawn

**Portland Community College**

Laxson, Thomas  
 Pryor, Marshall

**Prince William County Public Schools**

Ayoub, Nasir

**PSA Airlines**

Ellis, Jim  
 Geske, Jamie  
 Mastrogiovanni, Andrew  
 Maxwell, Josh  
 Muller, Margaret

**Purdue University**

Johnson, Mary  
 Yother, Tracy

**Republic Airways Holdings**

Republic Airways Holdings  
 Toth, Sean

**Robert C. Byrd National Aerospace Education Center**

Gilbert, Dr. Brad

**Robotic Skies**

Hayden, Brad

**Sacramento City College**

Johnson, Larry

**Snap-on Tools**

Bailey, Earl  
 Crane, Barrett  
 Gamble, John

**SONIC Tools**

Saxton, Scott  
 Smith, Olivia

**Southern Illinois University Carbondale**

Johnson, Dr. Karen

**Southern University at Shreveport**

Anderson, Buddy  
 Kaylor, Timothy  
 Spells, Everett

**Southern Utah University**

Britt, Jared  
 Willden, Amelia

**Southwest Airlines**

Rios, Gabe  
 Risky, Daniel

**SpaceTEC/CertTEC**

Kane, Steve

**Spartan College of Aeronautics and Technology - Riverside**

McIntyre, Mac

**Spartan College of Aeronautics and Technology - Tulsa**

Worthington, Ron

**Spirit Aeronautics**

Ochs, Rick

**Spokane Community College**

Purdin, Ashley

**St. Philips College**

Canion, Larry  
 Weaver, David

**Tango Flight, Inc.**

Anthony, Craig  
 Weyant, Dan

**Tarrant County College**

Irby, Darrell  
 Williamson, Case

**TestEquity LLC - Techni-Tool**

Brumley, Tina  
 Gibson, Ryan

**Texas House of Representatives**

Sherman, Carl

**Texas State Technical College - Abilene**

Capps, Robert

**Texas State Technical College - Waco**

Filgo, Kelly

**Textron Aviation**

Fry, Taylor  
 Greene, Michael  
 Merriman, Robin  
 White, Chad

**The Boeing Company**

Mitchell, Michael  
 Phillips, Crotez  
 Westfall, Nolan

**Tulsa Technology Center**

Eller, Blake  
 Oxley, Sheryl  
 Wagler, Luke  
 Wise, Robbie

**U.S. Aviation Academy - Denton**

Sykes, Scott

**Utah State University**

Chesley, Randy

**Utah Valley University**

Ley, Stephen

**Vincennes University Aviation Technology Center**

Gehrich, Mike

**Wayne Community College**

Creech, Kenneth  
 Crumpler, Jr., Mike  
 White, Jr., Dr. Ernie

**Western Nebraska Community College**

Gregory, Charlie  
 Joppa, Dan  
 Mitchell, Mike  
 Sickler, Terry

**Wing Aero Products, Inc.**

Folds, Jonathan

**Wisk**

Oord, David

**WSU Tech**

Farber, Chris  
 Hall, Jim  
 Kealey, Dawn  
 Pine, Jon  
 Simpson, Scott

**Xennial Digital**

Fajardo, Douglas  
 Franco, Aura

**Zipline International, Inc.**

Pritchard, Kim

# THANK YOU SPONSORS

