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## Spartan College of Aeronautics and Technology

## **Press Release**

## **AAR Partners with Spartan College for Internal Technician Training**

Tulsa, OK (Jan. 17, 2014): AAR Aircraft Services (AAR) announced today an agreement to utilize Spartan College of Aeronautics and Technology to perform technician training and support in its Oklahoma City facility. Through this agreement Spartan College will provide AAR employees with online and on location technical training for initial, recurrent, aircraft type specific and airline customer training. The agreement relieves AAR of the burden of maintaining, managing and staffing a training department while also benefitting from the core competencies of Spartan College in education.

Wayne Jamroz, General Manager and Vice President of Operations for the Oklahoma City operations of AAR, called the new arrangement "a breath of fresh air for the industry" and anticipates productivity gains among the workforce because of the new approach. "Our organizations will be better together as we each focus on what we do best."

"Spartan is the global leader in aviation maintenance training, and this arrangement is a natural extension of what we do every day," commented Peter Harris, the recently appointed President and CEO of Spartan College. "We are delighted to work even more closely with AAR, a recognized industry leader in its field."

For the past 3 years, AAR and Spartan College have maintained a Bridge Program that allows graduates of Spartan's Aviation Maintenance program to be hired by AAR and receive tuition reimbursement of up to \$10,500 so long as the student commits to stay with AAR for a defined period of time.

AAR is a leading provider of diverse products and services to the worldwide commercial aviation and government/defense industries. AAR combines a close-to-the-customer business model with a broad range of capabilities to help customers operate more efficiently, lower costs and maintain high levels of quality, safety and service. AAR is a financially stable, dedicated partner with an enduring commitment to innovation, execution, continuous improvement and customer value.

Spartan College of Aeronautics and Technology, located in Tulsa, Oklahoma offers aviation flight, aviation maintenance, avionics, nondestructive testing and quality control education and hands-on training through diploma programs as well as associate and bachelor's degree programs. Founded in 1928, Spartan has trained over 90,000 pilots and technicians, including thousands for the armed forces, and currently provides training for the United States Air Force.

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## Present in photo:

Left: Wayne Jamroz, General Manager and Vice President of Operations, Oklahoma City Operations of AAR Corporation

Right: Peter Harris, President/CEO Spartan College of Aeronautics and Technology

