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## **ERIK SWANBERG EARNS NAFI MASTER FLIGHT INSTRUCTOR ACCREDITATION**

**KALAMAZOO, MI — 9/4/2024** The National Association of Flight Instructors is proud to announce that NAFI member Erik Swanberg has earned accreditation as a NAFI Master Flight Instructor.

Swanberg is a Part 135 Falcon 7X captain and chief flight instructor for a Part 141 flight school with affiliations to Liberty University and Purdue University Global. Swanberg has been flying for 33 years and has seen many different roles: Part 135 director of operations and check airman, Part 91 and 135 chief pilot, training officer, line pilot, intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance pilot, aircraft sales, flight instructor, and skydiver pilot. He resides in the Chicago suburbs with his wife Michelle and their two children.



*The **NAFI Master Flight Instructor Accreditation** is earned by aviation educators based upon a system of advanced professional standards and peer review. The accreditation identifies and publicly recognizes those teachers of flight who demonstrate an ongoing commitment to excellence, professional growth, and service to the aviation community. The NAFI Master Instructor accreditation is for two years and may be used to renew an FAA flight instructor certificate. Applicants must have been a CFI for two years and have given 1,000 hours of flight instruction. In addition, candidates must meet and document activity in four NAFI Master Instructor categories (Instructor, Educator, Service to the Aviation Community, and Professional Activity).*

*Members of the **National Association of Flight Instructors** work as independent instructors, at flight schools, universities, FBOs, corporate flight departments and in the military. Since 1967, NAFI and its members, who teach in thirty countries, are dedicated to increasing and maintaining the professionalism of flight instruction. NAFI members influence active pilots daily: students working to become pilots, current pilots training to advance their skills with new ratings or certificates and pilots who seek to*

*improve their skills with recurrent training. NAFI also serves as an advocate with industry and government as a voice for flight instruction. NAFI helps shape the current and future direction of flight training. For more information about NAFI or the NAFI Master Instructor program call **866-806-6156** or visit [www.NAFINet.org](http://www.NAFINet.org).*