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JSfirm.com Announces 2025 Aviation Awards for Student and Educator of the Year

Roanoke, Texas (March 18, 2025) - JSfirm.com, the world's largest resource for aviation jobs, has partnered with the Aviation Technician Education Council (ATEC) to award this year's James Rardon Student of the Year and Ivan D. Livi Aviation Maintenance Educator of the Year.

Omar Aquilera, an aviation maintenance educator at California Aeronautical University, has been named the Ivan D. Livi Aviation Maintenance Educator of the Year for 2025. With an Associate degree in Aviation Maintenance Technology and over 20 years of experience in the United States Navy, Omar has brought innovative, scenario-based training modules into the classroom to prepare students for real-world challenges. One such initiative, the Digital Video Knowledge and Physical Task Competition, has not only made completing AMT tasks more engaging for students but also provided instructors with a more direct way to assess both knowledge and skills. Omar's innate teaching style has made him a standout educator in the aviation community.

Brittany McFadden, a student at Alabama Aviation College, a unit of Enterprise State Community College, has been awarded the James Rardon Aviation Maintenance Technician Student of the Year for 2025. Brittany is an exceptionally dedicated student, maintaining a 4.0 GPA and averaging 95% in all her courses. Her commitment to excellence extends beyond the classroom, as she actively supports her peers through lab projects and academic challenges. In addition to her academic and volunteer work, she serves as a Combat Medic in the Maryland National Guard and has earned a full-time job offer from Pratt and Whitney after completing an internship with them.

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