

Dear Sir or Madam,

My name is Bryan Strelka. I began attending the S.J. Spanbauer Center in June of 2006 and started working towards my private single engine pilot license, in the Aeronautics-Pilot Training Program. After a random lottery pick, I was given the privilege to work with Mr. Butler. Only a few short days later, I had already felt very comfortable both flying and working with him as a person. For the first time in my life, I actually looked forward to going to school. He quickly began going through the different procedures by not only demonstrating them on a very precise basis, but also encouraging me to try as he helped along the way. Mr. Butler has a way of having fun, while still accomplishing our given tasks, and then some. After passing my private pilot check ride and moving forward to our multi-engine add on, I again personally chose Mr. Butler to be my instructor for that next semester. He really pushes me to work hard, and to always do my best on any task that I am given. His guidance both in the air and on the ground has helped me to become not only a better pilot, but a better student in all areas.

In class, Mr. Butler constantly tries to make even the most boring of topics interesting. With only a short amount of time to cover a vast amount of material, he tries to utilize the time as best as possible so that we as students get the most that we possibly can out of the short two or four hour classes. With his many years of experience, he is looked up to by all of the students, as well as other instructors.

Mr. Butler spends numerous hours each week making sure that each student is in fact keeping up with their work, and not falling behind. From personal phone calls, to working with students one on one outside of class who need help in certain areas, he has always been more than willing to lend a helping hand to anyone who asks. Even some of the other instructors come to him with their most complicated questions looking for guidance. Mr. Butler is not there because he has to be, but because he wants to. Every morning he comes into work with a smile on his face.

Mr. Butler really knows me as a person, and as a student. He knows my strengths and weaknesses. He makes a point to touch upon my weak areas, even when it's not part of the lesson plan. Mr. Butler challenges me, while gradually boosting my confidence and skills to a higher level. At the same time, he is always there to give me a pat on the back when I do a good job. Mr. Butler cares about what is going on in our lives on and off campus. We have a great student-instructor relationship. I think of him more as a good friend that I work with on a daily basis. He puts the student's and school's needs before his own and I really admire that.

Should you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact me anytime at (920) 243-3275.

Sincerely,



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