



Joe Panzarella grew up in a small town in Northeastern Pennsylvania where he fell in love with aviation through his father Joseph R Panzarella who is a private pilot. From the minute he climbed into the cockpit of a 1978 Cessna 172 Skyhawk and felt the freedom of flight a new passion ignited inside him. This one flight propelled him into his journey to become a professional pilot graduating from LCCC / Marywood University with a A.A.S. in Aeronautical Sciences. He conducted all flight training and acquired his Private Pilot, IFR, High Speed, Aerobatic, Complex, Twin, and Commercial Rating during this time at Wilkes-Barre / Scranton International Airport (AVP). He then continued his higher education achieving a B.A. in geography / geosciences from Bloomsburg University where he would continue to fly nights and weekends building his hours in many different aircrafts. Joe flew for three years in a professional position before switching professional fields to engineering. It was at this time he moved to Breesport, NY and joined the **Hilliard Corporation** where he has continued to work to present day.

In his free time, he loves to travel with his wife, help the community as a volunteer firefighter, spend time in the outdoors, and of course fly. Joe was elected chairman of the board in January of 2022 at Wings of Eagles and looks forward to continuing the Vision and Mission of Wings of Eagles for the Elmira-Corning Region.