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Hollywood Burbank Airport and Avelo Airlines’ “Airport Academy” Soar into Second Year of Inspiring Careers in Aviation

BUR and Avelo collaboration recognized as “Best Airport-Airline Partnership” in U.S.

LOS ANGELES: Feb. 28, 2024 — Los Angeles’ best airport - Hollywood Burbank Airport (BUR) - and Avelo Airlines announced today they are kicking off the second year of their award-winning Airport Academy community partnership. The program was conceived to inspire high school students to pursue careers in aviation.


The four-month program is a career exploration and educational experience for Burbank, Glendale, and Pasadena high school students. The program introduces students to careers in airport operations, aviation, and aerospace in an interactive and informative learning environment.

During the program, which continues this month, approximately 35 students will:

- Participate in sessions led by Avelo Airlines pilots, flight attendants, aircraft maintenance technicians, airport customer service representatives and airline executives.
- Meet with BUR airport leaders, TSA officers and air traffic control professionals.
- Receive a behind-the-scenes tour of BUR.
- Take an Avelo Airlines roundtrip flight from BUR to the Bay Area’s Sonoma County Airport (STS) aboard one of the airline’s Boeing Next-Generation 737 jetliners – the first time some of these students will take a commercial airline flight.

Avelo Airlines Chairman and CEO Andrew Levy said, “We’re proud to inspire future aviators during our second year of this life-changing partnership with Hollywood Burbank Airport. The sky is the limit for these future aviators, and we hope the hands-on education this program provides will inspire these students to reach new heights. Nothing would make me prouder than to call these remarkable young people fellow Avelo Crewmembers someday.”

Hollywood Burbank Airport Executive Director Frank Miller said, “We appreciate that this partnership is helping create interest in the aviation industry and thank Avelo Airlines for their participation.”



Students meet at the airport for a total of five hands-on interactive experiences: three hours a day, one day a month through May.

In 2023, Airports Council International North America (ACI-NA) awarded BUR and Avelo with the “Partnering with Carriers” award. It commends BUR’s relationship with Avelo to help ensure the success of “Airport Academy.” The ACI-NA Excellence in Airport Marketing, Communications, and Customer Experience Awards are comprised of 20 categories. In 2023, ACI-NA said 80 airports competed, submitting 300 entries.

Since taking flight at BUR in April 2021, Avelo has flown more than 1 million Customers at Hollywood Burbank Airport. Avelo currently operates three 737s at its BUR base which serves 13 nonstop destinations across 7 states.

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Avelo was founded to Inspire Travel by saving its Customers time and money. Since taking flight on April 28, 2021, Avelo has flown 4.2 million Customers on over 30,000 flights. Today, Avelo serves 48 destinations in 23 states and Puerto Rico.

Along the way, Avelo has unlocked a new era of convenience, choice and competition by flying unserved routes to primarily underserved communities across the country. On almost every route, at least one airport is a small, easy to use airport – making every Avelo journey easier and more enjoyable.

Avelo Customers can always change or cancel their itineraries with no extra fees. Additionally, families can travel with ease knowing every child 13 and under will always be automatically seated with an accompanying adult at no additional cost.

Additionally, Avelo offers advanced seat assignments for sale. One third of its seats are extra leg room seats, ranging from 32 inches to more than 36 inches, offering a more comfortable experience for Customers who value more space. In addition to advance seat assignments, Avelo offers several unbundled travel-enhancing options that give Customers the flexibility to pay only for what they value, including priority boarding, checked bags, carry-on overhead bags, and bringing a pet in the cabin.

Avelo is distinguished by its industry-leading reliability. In 2023, the airline achieved the lowest flight cancellation rate in the U.S. airline industry and ranked #2 in on-time reliability. These results are based on Anuvu’s third-party data platform (the same company and platform utilized by *The Wall Street Journal* for the publication’s annual best and worst airline ranking, which excluded Avelo as well as other airlines in its coverage that did not meet the publication’s size threshold).

About Avelo Airlines

Avelo Airlines was founded with a simple purpose — to *Inspire Travel*. The airline offers travelers time and money-saving convenience, everyday low fares, and a refreshingly smooth,

caring and reliable travel experience. Operating a fleet of 16 Boeing Next-Generation 737 aircraft, Avelo serves 48 popular destinations across the United States, including its six bases at Los Angeles' Hollywood Burbank Airport (BUR), Southern Connecticut's Tweed-New Haven Airport (HVN), Orlando International Airport (MCO), the Philadelphia and Delaware Valley region's Wilmington Airport (ILG), Raleigh-Durham International Airport (RDU), and on May 1, 2024, Avelo will move its Las Vegas base at Harry Reid International Airport (LAS) to the Bay Area's Sonoma County Airport (STS). For more information visit AveloAir.com or the Avelo Newsroom at AveloAir.com/Newsroom.

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