



# Wings of Wisdom

Metro Aviation University

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This newsletter is all about keeping Metro Aviation University students in the loop with the monthly Wildsparq winners, the coolest insights, helpful tips, and relevant resources. Wings of Wisdom will be your ultimate go-to guide for staying ahead of the game! Because hey, staying informed isn't just important—it's the secret sauce to success! But wait, there's more!

We know that the final months of 2024 are packed with holidays and family time. However, we encourage you to stay connected with Wildsparq by checking in, commenting on the Team Stream, and keeping the conversation going.

Scroll down to see a message from Todd Stanberry, and buckle up because Wings of Wisdom is ready for takeoff! 🛩️



October Leaderboard

## Leaders' Library

A quarterly adventure with our Metro leaders!




Each quarter, we handpick a captivating read to dive into together. This month, our leadership team chose [The Power of Moments](#) by Chip Heath & Dan Heath.

You can join the journey by grabbing your own copy and reading along with us. It's not just about the book; it's about sparking discussions, sharing insights, and expanding our horizons together.

[Purchase Here!](#)

## Wildsparq Tips

Need a One-on-One? 

Remember that your One-on-One meetings do not have to be with a member of your assigned team. These can be with any Metro employee who is participating in the MetroU|Wildsparq program!

Visit the [Directory](#) on the Wildsparq website to find someone to connect with, who is also on a leadership journey, just like you!

## Metro U Master Class

On October 17th, we hosted our first Metro U Master Class, an exclusive event for Metro U students that drew over 30 attendees! Kenny Morrow, Chief Operating Officer, and Holly Weber, Director of Customer Revenue Cycle Support, shared an insider's perspective on the financial complexities of the air-medical industry, offering invaluable insights to those who joined. If you couldn't make it, don't worry! There's still time to catch the second session on November 21st at 2pm CT. Don't miss out!

### Soar & Share

I recently had the privilege of spending two full days with 17 of our 42 operations customers. Though the reason for this gathering was pretty cool all by itself (don't worry, you'll all be hearing about it soon enough), what was WAY cooler was what almost every single one of them had to say about YOU. Whether through a story about something you did, or said, or just very matter-of-factly, but they all said it: They felt compelled to tell me how much they love the people of Metro Aviation.

Completely unsolicited, and perfectly consistent.

Of course, the message itself is one I've certainly heard many times before (and it never gets old). But this time, man – it hit me. After about the sixth or seventh time someone, just at random during this 48-hour period, felt the need to share with me how incredible they believe YOU are, it nearly brought me to tears.

Now, here's the even cooler part: Whether you are auditing a log entry on a status sheet, conducting a daily airworthiness check, inspecting a set of night vision goggles, or preflighting an aircraft, you are ALREADY making a huge positive impact on the people who are in charge of the programs which we all serve.

#### **Imagine how much more impactful each of you are becoming by being students of Metro University?**

We are collectively taking an already really, really good thing and making it GREAT.

It overwhelms me with pride when I hear stories about all the extra miles you all go, every single day, to contribute selflessly and safely to turning someone's worst day into the day they lived to talk about it. And it overwhelms me *even more* to see you all doubling down on that extra mileage to better yourselves and those around you through Metro U.

You didn't have to do this. You chose to. And that's just awesome.

Many of you just finished the "Leading Change" unit, which contains a bonus resource featuring one of my favorite leadership gurus, Mr. Simon Sinek. I'll leave you with this quote from him: "The joy of leadership comes from seeing others achieve more than they thought they were capable of."

Thank you ALL for what you achieve, every day. It's more than any of us ever thought we were capable of, and that's pretty amazing.

Leaders Ready!

