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Aerospace Education Officer of the Year
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First Lt Robert Roberts became a nationally recognized contributor for Aerospace Education lessons during COVID-19 by reaching young cadets where they spent much of their time: YouTube. The owner of a popular YouTube channel centered around aerospace education; he began sharing videos just three days after his squadron announced the pause of in-person meetings. Lt Roberts created quality video instruction every week for 10 months during 2020.



On his channel, cadets can find recorded audio lessons of all six Aerospace Education modules, as well as interviews with guest speakers in different aerospace occupations. Lt Roberts has spent more than 400 hours writing, producing, and recording to create more than 74 unique, engaging, and informational videos.

Through the AE YouTube channel, multitudes of persons outside of Civil Air Patrol are introduced to our organization. His initiatives to introduce young people to various Aerospace and STEM careers through his video presentations have been vital as CAP works to increase interest in STEM and related professions. Lt Roberts has used recorded instruction to penetrate and share every CAP area to youth (and adults): cadet programs, aerospace education, public awareness, operations, and technology.