SAFE Members are given the unique opportunity to provide Member Profiles for posting on the SAFE website. Here are the responses from a few of our members to the all-important question:

**WHY DID YOU JOIN SAFE?**

- Because I believe that we need an aviation education organization that is committed to focusing its energy on improving the skills of the members and the competence and confidence of the people we train. – *M. Phillips, CA*

- Networking … I'm developing an aviation career strand program for my school district. – *M. Felske, MI*

- To belong to an organization whose interest is to promote the education of aviators. – *D. Kaye, CA*

- To be among the movers and shakers in aviation education … those who freely give back to aviation to improve piloting skills and aviation safety … those who realize that the long-term success of students, and thus of aviation as a whole, begins with instructors. – *R. Stowell, CA*

- I feel it's important for flight instructors to unite under a member-centered organization to promote safety and professionalism in our industry. When I saw the dedicated professionals that were involved in SAFE, I knew it was a good group to be involved in. – *S. Vande Voorte, IA*

- To be part of an association that creates resources and support for instructors plus creates change and believes in professionalism. – *M. Bassanesi, Italy*

- I am truly impressed by the efforts and accomplishments of SAFE…. The desire to be a member centric organization is the main draw. SAFE has earned the respect of many big names in aviation and that says a lot… – *J. Runner, CA*

- I wanted to be part of an organization that represented me. – *N. Zucker, FL*

- I believe SAFE is bringing a new level of professionalism and pride to being an aviation educator. – *R. Hempel, TX*

- There’s always so much more to learn and do. – *J. Painter, WA*

- I wanted to be part of an organization that respects my input and is responsive to my needs. SAFE has just been phenomenal in such a short time. It’s a privilege to be associated with this distinguished group of flight educators. – *M. Davis, MN*

- I joined SAFE because I am committed to becoming the best flight educator that I can be. I want to be a true educator not just an instructor. I also want to surround myself with respected educators whose actions inspire me to become a better teacher. – *J. Shorey, TX*