

## Blair Hess Biography

Blair Hess began his career with the Federal Aviation Administration in the Field Maintenance Program and later joined the Office of Airports. He is now a Program Analyst on the Executive Operations staff of the FAA Southwest Region where he and his team are working to develop meaningful, innovative, and engaging opportunities in STEM-based Aviation and Space Education (AVSED).

Blair has gained industry experience through a myriad of aviation environments including his service in US Army flight operations, employment with the Salt Lake City International Airport, Evergreen Airlines, and even as a ramp hand at a local FBO during his High School years. Blair's professional experience is mirrored by his educational background, which includes a Bachelor's degree in Professional Aeronautics as well as Master's degrees in Aeronautics and in Project Management from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University.

Blair has been a longtime volunteer supporting education as a coach, PTO President, and youth mentor in his children's schools. Sharing his passion for aviation and education continue to lead principles in his personal and professional ventures. In his spare time, Blair enjoys oil painting and spending time outdoors with his family.

