



## ARIZONA EL TEACHER OF THE YEAR



# AARON CARLON

9-12 ELD Teacher  
Tolleson Union High  
School District

"Thanks for constantly encouraging me every step of the way. You truly did the impossible as I honestly couldn't imagine having achieved what I did, without your guidance. You inspired me to be a better person, with every class being so full of love and passion. It's all those little things you did for us, treating us with so much respect, and so much more. When I was in high school, I became a very rebellious student, I refused to learn another language and it was difficult for me to follow up any order from a teacher. However, when you became a teacher in the ELL program, everything changed for me as student. At first it was difficult but thanks to your patience my attitude as a student improved and I became interested in learning. Your effort and dedication as a teacher made me reflect that my professional life had to improve. Then I made the decision to get a university degree. Today I have a degree in administration, and I am about to finish a master's degree in administration and business development. The decisions that I have made as a student are thanks to your good advice and the academic training that I have carried out with you."

David Gonzalez Medina, Student  
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