

RED TAIL E-REVIEW



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Col. Christopher D. Ogren
477th Fighter Group Commander

Citizen Airmen - as you know, AFRC completed our two-year Inspection cycle with a Capstone Visit over the August UTA... and we received an Overall "Effective" assessment = boom.

It comes as no surprise we're getting the mission done here at home and downrange (POWER + PARTNERS) as well as taking care of our PEOPLE.

While we should be proud of our 3 IG identified strengths, we'll keep WALKING towards improving our 2 significant findings, 22 minor discrepancies and 6 recommended areas for improvement.

Bottom Line: We are Air Dominance & our "Effective" rating & ZERO critical write-ups are the proof. Thanks for what you do every day.

- All the best
- Col Beldar



August Fitness Excellence

302 FS
MAJ JOHN DELONEY

AMDF
LTC SHANNON FABER
100%

AMDF
LTC MARGARET GANNON

AMXS
SSGT JOSHUA BAKER
Ran -7:30, 100%

AMXS
SSGT KYLE KURIATNYK

FGS
SSGT ELIZABETH WENDOLOSKI

FSS
TSGT JOHN MCCALL

FSS
SMSGT JASON NYSTROM

MXS
MSGT RYAN DILLON

MXS
SSGT CHRISTOPHER HARREL

MXS
SSGT SCOTT MCKINNIS

MXS
MSGT TRAVIS SCHLAPBACH

477th Fighter Group UTA Schedule

September 10-11, 2016
 October 1-2, 2016
 November 5-6, 2016
 December 3-4, 2016
 January 7-8, 2017
 February 10-13, 2017 (EXERCISE)
 March 4-5, 2017
 April 1-2, 2017
 May 6-7, 2017
 June 3-4, 2017
 August 5-6, 2017
 September 9-10, 2017



September



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2 PACAF Family Day	3
4	5 LABOR DAY	6 0800- Readiness Meeting	7	8 1000- Pre- UTA Staff Mtg	9	10 UTA
11 UTA Patriots Day	12 1600 - Readiness Meeting	13 FADo		15	16	17
18 1947 - 2016 USAF 69th Birthday!	19	20 0800- Personnel Education & Training Mtg	21	22	23	24 Air Force Ball Egan Center, ANC
25	26	27	28	29 1000- Pre- UTA Staff Mtg	30 3 WG Safety Day	
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477 AMXS reservist sets group run-time record

By Staff Sgt. Martina Dodge
 477th Fighter Group Public Affairs

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Though the majority of 477th Fighter Group reservists only work two days a month, the requirements to meet Air Force fitness standards remain the same-test every six months, or every 12 months for those who score a 90 percent or above.

As Air Force reservists, installations afford the same facilities and opportunities for self-improvement, but some reservists do not live where the base is readily accessible.

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August Promotions

Airman First Class - Senior Airman
 Brandi Segreti 477 OSF

Tech. Sgt. - Master Sgt.
 Justin Silva 477 MXS

Master Sgt. - Senior Master Sgt.
 Keith Long 477 MXS
 Edmund Kelleher 477 MXS

July-August Newcomers

302 FS Senior Airman Sunny Anderson
 477 AMXS Tech. Sgt. Joshua Campbell
 477 MXS Tech. Sgt. David Caudell
 477 MXS Staff Sgt. Thomas Codyer
 477 FSS Airman First Class Adrian Coombs
 477 AMXS Maj. Rebecca Daugherty
 477 FSS Master Sgt. Sariethia Lemos
 477 MXS Staff Sgt. Paul Manabat
 477 FSS Senior Airman Mathieu Radcliffe



By Staff Sgt. Martina Dodge,
477th Fighter Group, Public Affairs

The Air Force Credentialing Opportunities On-Line program, or AF COOL, allows Airmen to earn certifications and licenses that are valuable to civilian employers. The AF COOL program was designed to smooth the process for Airmen transitioning out of the military, but has now been made available to all enlisted airmen.

Air Force reservists are also able to take advantage of the AF COOL program, under certain circumstances, which can directly correlate to their civilian careers.

"Our Guard and Reserve members will benefit from this program by being able to return to the civilian sector and present these advanced skill sets to their employers," said Russell Grey, director of AF COOL, "possibly garnering them pay advances and promotion potential."

Currently reservists must be on Title 10 or Title 31 502(f) orders before they can apply for the program, although this requirement is something that the AF COOL program is trying to change.

The AF COOL program allows all Airmen, whether active duty, Guard or Reserve, to attain civilian certificates and licenses that would usually be paid for out of pocket.

A unique part about the AF COOL program is the certificates or licenses that you would like to pursue do not have to be associated with your current Air Force specialty code. Throughout your lifetime you are allotted 4,500 dollars total to go toward any certificate offered through the COOL program. This program covers application and administrative fees, prep-materials and recertification fees. Even if you fail, you are not required to pay back the money used, but you do have to submit your grades to the AF COOL program, pass or fail.

If you would like more information, visit the AF COOL website <https://afvec.langley.af.mil/afvec/Public/COOL/> located within AFVEC.

September is Emergency Management Month

From the office of emergency management.

September is National Preparedness Month, which serves as a reminder that we all must take action to prepare now for the types of emergencies that could affect us where we live and work. Here in Alaska it's not about if we will experience some type of Natural Disaster, but when. Don't get caught short...[click here](#) for more information.

Get a Kit, Make a Plan, Be Prepared
beready.af.mil

Recommended items to include in a basic emergency supply kit (72 hrs):

- Water, one gallon of water per person per day for at least three days, for drinking and sanitation
- Food, at least a three-day supply of non-perishable food (w/can opener if needed)
- Radio, battery-powered or hand crank radio and a NOAA Weather Radio with tone alert and extra batteries
- Flashlight, and extra batteries
- First aid kit
- Whistle, to signal for help
- Shelter-in-Place Supplies, dust mask, to help filter contaminated air and plastic sheeting and duct tape
- Personal Sanitation & Hygiene Supplies, moist towelettes, garbage bags and plastic ties
- Basic Tools, to turn off utilities, minor repairs
- Cell Phone, with charger (110v, 12v, or solar)
- Local Maps
- Additional Considerations- Medications, Infant Supplies, Pet Supplies, Cash/Currency, Important Documents, Matches, Fire Extinguisher, Bleach, Sleeping Bags, Tarps, Mess Kits, Paper & Pencil, Activities for Children



ARCNet - individual training and readiness tool

ARCNet tracks your readiness and ancillary training along with your military duty performance calendar all at one site. Check it out today. Log into the Air Force Portal at www.my.af.mil and select ARCNet under the "Personnel and Career" links. <https://www.my.af.mil/arcnetprod/ARCNet>

Fiscal fitness

SUPERVISORS' ROLE IN MILITARY LEAVE PROCESSING: 1) Ensure all parts of AF Form 988 are completed to include signatures with dates on Part I. 2) Get a leave number by submitting the AF Form 988 to the Reserve Pay Office (RPO) before leave starts. 3) On the workday following member's last day of leave complete Part III certifying the leave dates that were actually taken, and submit it to the RPO.

MANDATORY USE OF THE GOVERNMENT TRAVEL CARD (GTC): All DoD personnel are required to use the GTC for all authorized expenses relating to official government travel including airfare, lodging, rental car and gas. Personal credit cards should not be used for official travel expenses.

DEFENSE TRAVEL SYSTEM (DTS): Need help with DTS? Organizational Defense Travel Administrators (ODTAs) in your unit are your primary source for DTS assistance. When you receive a new GTC, update your DTS profile with the new card number and expiration date.

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It's not rocket science, or is it?

By Maj. Caria Gleason,
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JOINT BASE ELMENDORF-RICHARDSON—Stealth technology has been in development for decades, dating back to the 1950's, but the words still evoke images sci-fi movies and futuristic civilizations. The reality for JBBER is stealth systems are part of our everyday mission, where more than 130 Airman including active duty, Reserve and civilian members, work around the clock to ensure more than 40 F-22 Raptors belonging to Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson maintain their low observable profile.

Low observable is more commonly termed stealth, which describes the capability of the Raptor jet fighter, among others, to minimize radar detection. Low observable aircraft structural maintenance members design, fabricate and modify the unique metals, plastics, paint, composite and bonded materials that create the stealth effect.

While it may look like arts and crafts with templates and paint, in reality LO operations are camouflage for the science nerds according to Senior Master Sgt. Travis Schlapbach, 477th Maintenance Squadron reserve section chief of the low observable flight here.

"The execution of the tasks is not difficult, but as you dig into the weeds of what it is we're actually dealing with: electromagnetic engineering, structural systems and so many technical aspects that dictate what we do, LO is incredible," said Schlapbach. "It really is rocket science."





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HOT TIPS

Don't Connect Personal USB Devices to Government Computers

But I'm just using a little power, what's the harm?

Anything that plugs into USB can not only draw power, but can also transfer data. USB provides both capabilities.

But I turned it off. So I'm ok right?
NO. USB supplies power, so, it's not necessary for the device to be on for data transfer to occur.

But where would my portable device get a virus?

The Internet, Bluetooth vulnerabilities, infected media, other USB charging locations... the list is nearly endless. Not only is your device at risk of getting a virus, so are the government systems to which you are connecting.

But it's not a thumb drive so what's the issue?

Even if it were as simple as a USB light or game controller, how do you know it doesn't have memory? All hard drives, mp3 players, phones, etc. definitely DO have storage and, in many cases, also include wireless capability which makes them a much greater vulnerability than a USB thumb drive. The introduction of these devices into US Government systems allows for the creation of an infection vector across classification boundaries.

But I don't transfer data back and forth. I would never load my data onto a work computer.

Within seconds of plugging in a USB cable, the computer and device start exchanging information. It's during this "handshake" period that a virus or malware can begin its work and infect any computer you plug into. This data transfer may introduce a cross-domain violation or the introduction of malicious data onto a US Government network.

Bottom Line

Personal devices can be charged on personal computers or with commercially available (and inexpensive) USB wall or car chargers. Plugging these devices into US Government systems creates vulnerabilities which lead to significant risks to our networks and, ultimately, our information.



477 FG Spotlight

Tech. Sgt. Seth Roberts is the Chaplain Assistant for the 477th Fighter Group at Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska. Roberts is your direct contact for any Chaplain Services including counseling, invocations and leadership advising. "Chaplain assistant's focus is the people." Said Roberts. "People are the mission. We are here for all individual needs and support."

Roberts' goal as a Chaplain Assistant is for "Everyone to have a place to be heard."

Election campaign guidance

The DoD has a longstanding and well-defined policy regarding political campaigns and elections to avoid the perception of sponsorship, approval or endorsement of any political candidate, campaign or cause.

Any activity that may be reasonably viewed as directly or indirectly associating the DoD, or any component or personnel of the department, with or in support of political campaign or election events is strictly prohibited.

Examples of political activities that are prohibited include campaigning for a candidate, soliciting contributions, marching in a partisan parade and wearing the uniform to a partisan event. For a complete list of permissible and prohibited activities, please consult DoD Directive 1344.10, Political Activities by Members of the Armed Forces



18 September 1947

In 1947 President Truman signed the National Security Act which established this new defense organization, and along with it the creation of the US Air Force as an independent service, equal to the US Army and US Navy. The official birthday of the US Air Force is 18 September 1947

JBER marriage retreat

Weekend retreat for married military couples || 23-25 September 2016 Accepting Registrations for our WAITLIST at present: Email RSVPs to: cynthia.sena-martinez@us.af.mil
No Childcare Provided
Questions? Call 552-JROC