



USAF Academy Parents' Weekend 2011

Schedule of Events

2–5 September 2011

THURSDAY, 1 SEPTEMBER 2011

7:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. **Parents Club Presidents Meeting** (Doolittle Hall).

9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. **Cadet Chapel**. Open to visitors daily from 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m., except on Sunday when it is open following Sunday services (1:30– 5:00 p.m.).

FRIDAY, 2 SEPTEMBER 2011

6:00 – 8:00 a.m. **Breakfast** (Mitchell Hall). **MANDATORY FOR ALL CADETS. Upper-Class cadets may bring guests.** Non-cadet tickets must be purchased in advance by cadets. Upper-Class cadets not hosting guests and fourth-class cadets may stay to eat or grab a snack and depart.

7:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. **Parents' Weekend Information Fair** (Arnold Hall). Offers invaluable information and giveaways from many USAFA and community organizations. Purchase your BCT video and "Warrior" photos and preorder your BCT yearbook here. Stop by to have a professional photo taken with your cadet; portrait sittings are free! Lunch will be available in the food court and the ballroom. Cadet performing groups will be on stage in the ballroom from 11:30–12:30. Don't miss this popular event!

7:30 a.m. – 4:55 p.m. **Academic Classes** (Fairchild Hall). Guests may attend class with their cadets with prior permission from instructors.

7:30 – 8:15	1st Period	11:30 – 12:30	Noon Meal	2:20 – 3:05	5th Period
8:25 – 9:10	2nd Period	12:30 – 1:15	3rd Period	3:15 – 4:00	6th Period
10:00 – 11:00	Cadet Parade	1:25 – 2:10	4th Period	4:10 – 4:55	7th Period

7:30 – 9:10 a.m. **Air Warfare Laboratory (AWL) Tour** (Fairchild Hall, Rm. 2H28). Tour the AWL and watch an Air Power lesson unfold (tickets are not required).

8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. **Basic Cadet Training (BCT) Video** (Arnold Hall Theater). Watch the basic cadets as they learn to become cadets during Basic Training 2011. After you see this one-hour video, go to the Cadet Wing Media booth in the ballroom to purchase your own copy!

8:30 – 9:30 a.m. **VECTOR Program Orientation** (Arnold Hall Banquet Room). A parent orientation to the cadet character seminar VECTOR (Vital Effective Character Through Observation and Reflection), which all cadets will take during their freshman year at USAFA.

10:00 – 11:00 a.m. **Cadet Wing Parade** (Stillman Field). **MANDATORY FOR CADETS.** Come to the parade early (~9:30) to see the USAFA Wings of Blue parachute team, your National Champion glider team, and various Air Force aircraft perform. Immediately before the start of the parade, watch a demonstration of USAFA's famous performing mascots! At the parade, the **2011 Distinguished Service Award** will be presented. Cadets will be released on the field following the parade to meet with their guests. If the parade is cancelled for severe weather, guests may visit the Information Fair at Arnold Hall or check with their cadet to see whether their Squadron will move up their Open House.

11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. **Cadet Performance Showcase** (Arnold Hall Ballroom Stage). Come to the Information Fair, pick up some lunch, then stick around to watch performances from the Cadet Show Choir, Cadet Orchestra and other performing groups. Don't miss it!

11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. **Lunch** (Mitchell Hall). **MANDATORY FOR ALL FOURTH-CLASS CADETS.** Non-cadet tickets must be purchased in advance by cadets. Lunch for visitors is also available at the Field House, Visitor Center, Falcon Club, Arnold Hall and various Squadron picnics (prices/times vary).

12:00 – 5:00 p.m. **Airfield Open House** (USAFA Airfield). Staff will be available to provide orientations and answer parent questions. Come view static displays of USAFA aircraft. Cadets must escort their guests to the airfield.

1:00 – 2:00 p.m. **VECTOR Program Orientation** (Arnold Hall Banquet Room).

1:15 – 2:15 p.m. **Athletic Director Welcome** (Clune Arena, Cadet Field House). Come listen to Head Football Coach Troy Calhoun discuss the upcoming season and the first game versus South Dakota, plus a question and answer period with Athletic Director Dr Hans Mueh. Join all the Air Force Falcon Head Coaches for an informal reception following Coach Calhoun's talk. Take advantage of this unique opportunity to meet coaches from all our programs and see our first rate facilities up close to include the new Indoor Training Facility.

1:25 – 3:05 p.m. **Air Warfare Laboratory (AWL) Tour** (Fairchild Hall, Rm. 2H28). Tour the AWL and watch an Air Power lesson unfold (tickets are not required).

2:00 – 2:45 p.m. **First-Year Experience (FYE) Informational Session** (Arnold Hall Banquet Room). This informational meeting will discuss the goals and topics of FYE, a program designed to develop, in each cadet, the requisite skills, knowledge and personal responsibilities for success through active involvement in the learning process. Join us at this session to hear about the multi-faceted learning environment at USAFA.

2:45 – 3:30 p.m. **First-Year Experience (FYE) Informational Session** (Arnold Hall Banquet Room). See above.

4:30 – 6:00 p.m. **Squadron Open Houses** (Vandenberg and Sijan Halls). **MANDATORY FOR CADETS.** If the cadet parade is cancelled, some squadrons may hold their open house earlier in the day (10:00 – 11:30 a.m.). Check with your cadet for more information.

5:00 – 7:30 p.m. **Dinner Buffet** (Mitchell Hall). Open to cadets and their visitors. Guests must pay cashier.

7:00 – 10:00 p.m. **USAFA Observatory Open House** (Observatory, East of Fairchild Hall) The USAFA Physics and Astronomy Club invites you to come view the night sky through our 24" telescope! You will have the opportunity to tour the facility, see images taken on our own 24 inch telescope, use the telescope to explore your universe first hand (weather permitting) and hear some of the incredible history and lore behind the constellations that can be seen from our vantage point, 7258 feet above sea level!

7:00 – 9:30 p.m. **Worship Services** (Cadet Chapel). Guests are invited to attend the following services. For more information, call (719) 333-2636.

7:00 – 8:15 p.m.	Jewish Sabbath Service
8:15 – 9:30 p.m.	Jewish Shabbat Oneg Reception

CADETS MAY LEAVE USAFA AFTER OPEN HOUSE; MUST ATTEND ACCOUNTABILITY FORMATION AT FOOTBALL GAME SATURDAY MORNING.

SATURDAY, 3 SEPTEMBER 2011

7:00 – 9:00 a.m. **Breakfast Buffet** (Mitchell Hall). Open to cadets and their visitors. Guests must pay cashier.

9:30 a.m. **ALL Second-, Third- and Fourth-Class cadets report to squadron accountability formations at the stadium.**

10:30 a.m. **First-Class cadets report to squadron accountability formations at the stadium.**

12:00 p.m.

USAFA Home Football Game vs. University of South Dakota (Falcon Stadium). For tickets, call USAFA Athletic Ticket Office (800) 666-8723 or (719) 472-1895 or purchase on-line at <http://goairforcefalcons.cstv.com/tickets/afa-tickets.html>. Cadets are required to attend the game and must sit with the Cadet Wing but do not need tickets.

4:00 p.m.

CADETS MAY DEPART FALCON STADIUM AFTER THE THIRD VERSE OF THE AIR FORCE SONG AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE GAME; CADETS MUST SIGN IN BY MONDAY, 7:10 P.M. (10:45 P.M. FOR FIRSTIES)

SUNDAY, 4 SEPTEMBER 2011

8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Worship Services. Guests are invited to attend services at the Cadet Chapel or the Community Center Chapel. For additional information, please call: Cadet Chapel (719) 333-2636; Community Center Chapel (719) 333-3300.

9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Brunch Buffet (Mitchell Hall). Open to cadets and their visitors. Guests must pay cashier.

10:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Brunch Buffet (Falcon Club). Call for reservations (719) 333-4253.

10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Jacks Valley (BCT) Orientation Tour. Shuttle buses will run from Field House parking lots every 15 minutes. The last bus departs for JV at 1:30 p.m. and the last bus returns to parking at 2:30 p.m. Cadets must escort their guests. Walking shoes and unopened, clear water bottles recommended.

MONDAY (LABOR DAY), 5 SEPTEMBER 2011

7:00 – 9:00 a.m.

Breakfast Buffet (Mitchell Hall). Open to cadets and their visitors. Guests must pay cashier.

11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Lunch Buffet (Mitchell Hall). Open to cadets and their guests. Guests must pay cashier.

7:10 p.m.

SECOND-, THIRD-, AND FOURTH-CLASS CADETS MUST SIGN IN.

10:45 p.m.

FIRST-CLASS CADETS MUST SIGN IN.

