

*United States Air Force Academy*

**2026  
SPACE FORCE  
PATCHING CEREMONY**



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# **SEQUENCE OF EVENTS**

**WELCOME**

**ARRIVAL OF THE OFFICIAL PARTY**

**NATIONAL ANTHEM**

**INTRODUCTORY REMARKS**

**REMARKS BY BRIG GEN CANTORE**

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**DEPARTURE OF OFFICIAL PARTY**





# CEREMONY OFFICIAN

**BRIG. GEN. MATTHEW S. CANTORE IS THE DEPUTY COMMANDER, SPACE TRAINING AND READINESS COMMAND, TEMPORARILY LOCATED AT PETERSON SPACE FORCE BASE, COLORADO.**

**SPACE TRAINING AND READINESS COMMAND WAS ESTABLISHED AS A FIELD COMMAND ON AUGUST 21, 2021, AND IS RESPONSIBLE FOR PREPARING THE USSF AND MORE THAN 8,600 GUARDIANS TO PREVAIL IN COMPETITION AND CONFLICT THROUGH INNOVATIVE EDUCATION, TRAINING, DOCTRINE, AND TEST ACTIVITIES.**



**BRIG. GEN. CANTORE IS A 1998 GRADUATE OF THE U.S. AIR FORCE ACADEMY WITH A DEGREE IN SPACE OPERATIONS. HE IS A MASTER SPACE OPERATIONS OFFICER AND HAS COMMANDED THE 3RD SPACE EXPERIMENTATION SQUADRON, 21ST OPERATIONS GROUP, AND SPACE DELTA 2.**

**BRIG. GEN. CANTORE'S STAFF ASSIGNMENTS INCLUDE POSITIONS AT THE JOINT STAFF; 14TH AIR FORCE AND JOINT FORCE COMPONENT COMMAND - SPACE; HEADQUARTERS U.S. AIR FORCE; HEADQUARTERS AIR FORCE SPACE COMMAND; HEADQUARTERS SPACE OPERATIONS COMMAND; AND U.S. SPACE COMMAND.**

**PRIOR TO HIS CURRENT POSITION, BRIG. GEN. CANTORE SERVED AS THE CHIEF OF CURRENT OPERATIONS, AT U.S. SPACE COMMAND.**



# GUARDIAN SELECTS

KOBE ACHU, CADET SQUADRON 8  
JACKSON ADAMS, CADET SQUADRON 21  
IAN ASUNCION-DUONG, CADET SQUADRON 2  
LOGAN ATTISANO, CADET SQUADRON 40  
GABRIEL AVERITT, CADET SQUADRON 37  
DYLAN BARRIOS, CADET SQUADRON 29  
DAKOTA BIGGERSTAFF, CADET SQUADRON 36  
CADEN BOX, CADET SQUADRON 7  
JACK BROWN, CADET SQUADRON 40  
JONATHAN BROWN, CADET SQUADRON 3  
LEVI BROWN, CADET SQUADRON 3  
JACK BURNETT, CADET SQUADRON 37  
CHANCES CARTER-HILL, CADET SQUADRON 12  
HARRISON CATE, CADET SQUADRON 20  
IRENE CHOI, CADET SQUADRON 16  
JACOB CIPRIANO, CADET SQUADRON 35  
KADEN CLOUD, CADET SQUADRON 38  
HUNTER COLLINS, CADET SQUADRON 5  
JACOB COOK, CADET SQUADRON 32  
COSTEN COOLEY, CADET SQUADRON 11  
KYLE CORBIN, CADET SQUADRON 18  
RYIEL CRUMRINE, CADET SQUADRON 10  
TERRANCE CULLIVAN, CADET SQUADRON 35  
JOHN CUNNINGHAM, CADET SQUADRON 26  
RYAN DAUNT, CADET SQUADRON 1  
BRIANNA DEMPSEY, CADET SQUADRON 23  
ROCCO DEPPE, CADET SQUADRON 30  
TRAVIS DUGAN, CADET SQUADRON 24  
TATIANA ELLISON, CADET SQUADRON 5  
OMAR EMARA, CADET SQUADRON 19  
OLIVER FERDINAND, CADET SQUADRON 35

BRUIN FLEISCHMANN, CADET SQUADRON 13  
ALVARO FONSECA, CADET SQUADRON 16  
PRESTLEY GABRIEL, CADET SQUADRON 12  
CHRISTOPHER GARDEN, CADET SQUADRON 1  
JEVON GRAY, CADET SQUADRON 31  
GAVIN GROSS, CADET SQUADRON 26  
BRIDGER GROTHE, CADET SQUADRON 4  
GRETA HANS, CADET SQUADRON 33  
JACOB HEARNS, CADET SQUADRON 24  
REILY HOPKINS, CADET SQUADRON 33  
DENIS IRIMIEA, CADET SQUADRON 27  
SAVANAH JOHNSON, CADET SQUADRON 39  
SOLOMON JONES, CADET SQUADRON 21  
CODY JUMP, CADET SQUADRON 18  
KALEB KILLIAN, CADET SQUADRON 25  
ZANE KINNE, CADET SQUADRON 7  
LUKE KIRCHMAYR, CADET SQUADRON 22  
MELISSA KLINE, CADET SQUADRON 17  
KADEN KOLLE, CADET SQUADRON 1  
RYAN KOVACS, CADET SQUADRON 16  
BRYCE LEAPART, CADET SQUADRON 29  
AMANDA LI, CADET SQUADRON 1  
LANDON LIDDLE, CADET SQUADRON 7  
RAVION LIGHTFOOT, CADET SQUADRON 18  
JACK MARSH, CADET SQUADRON 8  
CHINONYE MBANUGO, CADET SQUADRON 33  
JAYLEN MCLEOD, CADET SQUADRON 34  
ALEX MOORE, CADET SQUADRON 17  
KAYLA MORALES, CADET SQUADRON 37  
JAYDEN NATS, CADET SQUADRON 19  
MALAIKA NDIFANG, CADET SQUADRON 5



**GRANT NEHLS, CADET SQUADRON 27**  
**TUCKER OWENS, CADET SQUADRON 38**  
**MICHAEL PELLETIER, CADET SQUADRON 36**  
**JONAH RAEBEL, CADET SQUADRON 38**  
**VEDA RAJA, CADET SQUADRON 34**  
**JENNIFER REIMAN, CADET SQUADRON 27**  
**JAMES ROBERSON III, CADET SQUADRON 35**  
**SEVASTIAN RODRIGUEZ, CADET SQUADRON 4**  
**MAXIMO ROLDAN, CADET SQUADRON 1**  
**JAMES SAGAR, CADET SQUADRON 31**  
**EMMA SANCHEZ, CADET SQUADRON 40**  
**JON SEEGER, CADET SQUADRON 29**  
**SAMANTHA SHARP, CADET SQUADRON 15**  
**TREVIAN SIRLS JR, CADET SQUADRON 30**  
**JAIME SNYDER, CADET SQUADRON 20**  
**BRANDON SON, CADET SQUADRON 28**

**ASHLEY SPEAR, CADET SQUADRON 7**  
**JOHN STEVENSON, CADET SQUADRON 16**  
**JORDAN SUAN, CADET SQUADRON 20**  
**AIDAN SWARTZ, CADET SQUADRON 31**  
**MARK TANG, CADET SQUADRON 7**  
**ABRIANA TILLMON, CADET SQUADRON 3**  
**STEPHEN TIMPERLEY, CADET SQUADRON 11**  
**ALEJANDRA TIRADO-ELIAS, CADET SQUADRON 37**  
**DUONG TRAN, CADET SQUADRON 35**  
**KAI-MIN TSUEI, CADET SQUADRON 28**  
**MCKENNA VESS, CADET SQUADRON 34**  
**LUKE VRSANSKY, CADET SQUADRON 23**  
**KATHERYN WOTTA, CADET SQUADRON 25**  
**NICHOLAS WRIGHT, CADET SQUADRON 11**  
**BENJAMIN YAN, CADET SQUADRON 13**

# SPACE FORCE SONG

WE'RE THE MIGHTY WATCHFUL EYE  
,  
GUARDIANS BEYOND THE BLUE.  
THE INVISIBLE FRONT LINE,  
WARFIGHTERS BRAVE AND TRUE.  
BOLDLY REACHING INTO SPACE,  
THERE'S NO LIMIT TO OUR SKY.  
STANDING GUARD BOTH NIGHT AND DAY,  
WE'RE THE SPACE FORCE FROM ON HIGH!



SEMPER SUPRA