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Dear Families and Friends of the Class of 2019

On behalf of a proud United States Air Force Academy community, I am thrilled to extend my congratulations on your cadet's upcoming graduation!

Over the past four years, the members of the Class of 2019 have built the foundation for promising careers of service on a bedrock of education, training, and character development. As this class has progressed through our challenging and interdisciplinary curriculum, they have been tested in the classroom, in the squadron, and on the athletic fields. Through this transformational experience, they have proven themselves as leaders ready to immediately improve the capability of our military, and shape the future of the modern profession of arms.

It is with great pride that I will join you in Falcon Stadium on the 30th of May, 2019, when the 61st graduating class of the United States Air Force Academy receives their diplomas and commissions as second lieutenants. This milestone marks the end of one journey and the beginning of another. Greater challenges await, and I am confident that these newest officers will not only succeed, but will lead us into a generation of even greater innovation, excellence and accomplishment in the United States Air Force!

Graduation week activities for the Class of 2019 begin with Baccalaureate Services at the Cadet Chapel Friday, 24 May 2019 through Sunday, 26 May 2019, and culminate with the Graduation Ceremony at Falcon Stadium Thursday, 30 May 2019. At the conclusion of the ceremony, the class will be honored with a thrilling performance by the Air Force Thunderbirds. Please visit the website at <https://www.usafa.edu/about/traditions/graduation/> for more detailed information on the entire week's festivities. In addition to the many events offered during the week, Mrs. Silveria and I would like to invite you and your guests to a reception in honor of our graduates at Mitchell Hall on Wednesday, 29 May 2019. It will be my pleasure to extend my personal congratulations to you and your cadet.

On behalf of the Secretary and Chief of Staff of the Air Force, thank you for supporting your cadets and our Academy. Together we can look forward to seeing the many extraordinary things these outstanding young leaders will do in their upcoming careers of service to their Nation.

Sincerely


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