

2023 Parents' Weekend Schedule of Events

Last Updated 23 August, 2023

Base opens to parents at 5:30am; North Gate access is recommended for all visitors		Wednesday, August 30, 2023
7:30am-4:30pm	AOG Gift Shop location: Doolittle Hall attendance: open to the public; the gift shop will be open all weekend; no bus support	
9:00am-5:00pm	Visitor Center location: Barry Goldwater Visitor Center attendance: open to the public; the visitor center will be open all weekend; no bus support	
8:00am-4:00pm	Parents' Club Presidents Conference Day One location: Polaris Hall attendance: by invitation only; conference offering Parents' Club Presidents information and briefings from Academy organizations and senior staff	
6:00pm-8:00pm	Parents' Club Presidents Reception location: The Carlton House attendance: by invitation only; reception hosted by the Superintendent for Parents' Club Presidents	
Base opens to parents at 5:30am; North Gate access is recommended for all visitors		Thursday, August 31, 2023
7:30am-4:30pm	AOG Gift Shop location: Doolittle Hall attendance: open to the public; the gift shop will be open all weekend; no bus support	
9:00am-5:00pm	Visitor Center location: Barry Goldwater Visitor Center attendance: open to the public; the visitor center will be open all weekend; no bus support	
8:00am-4:00pm	Parents' Club Presidents Conference Day Two location: Polaris Hall attendance: by invitation only; conference offering Parents' Club Presidents information and briefings from Academy organizations and senior staff	
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7:00am-12:05pm	Mandatory Cadet Class Attendance per the M-Day Academic Class Schedule	
7:30am-4:30pm	AOG Gift Shop location: Doolittle Hall attendance: open to the public; the gift shop will be open all weekend; no bus support	
9:00am-5:00pm	Visitor Center location: Barry Goldwater Visitor Center attendance: open to the public; the visitor center will be open all weekend; no bus support	
8:00am-9:30am/ 10:00am-11:30	Planetarium Open House and show	
8:00am-12:00pm	Parents' Weekend Information Fair location: Arnold Hall Ballroom attendance: welcome guests; offers information and giveaways from many Academy and community organizations; information booths are available from the Commandant of Cadets, Cadet Clubs, Cadet Sponsor Program, 306th Flying Training Group, 10 FSS Support Services, and various Academy support groups; food and beverages are available in Richter Lounge and food trucks on the Arnold Hall Ballroom patio; do not miss this popular event bus support: last bus departs Arnold Hall at 12:00pm	
9:30am-11:00am	Senior Leaders' Panel and Parents' Q&A location: Arnold Hall Theater attendance: seating limited to first 2,700 guests; no escort required; opportunity for new (or returning) cadet parents to receive an overview of Academy programs from senior staff, including the Superintendent, Command Chief, Commandant of Cadets, Dean of the Faculty, and Athletic Director; Q&A session will follow presentations bus support: from Field House parking lots and from Arnold Hall; last bus departs Arnold Hall at 12:00pm	
12:15pm-12:30pm	Mandatory Lunch for all Cadets location: Mitchell Hall attendance: Cadets only	
11:45am-1:00pm	Cadet Aviation Capabilities Exercise (CAPEX) location: Stillman Field attendance: guests welcome; bleacher seating for Stillman Field opens at 10:30am; watch the Academy's "Wings of Blue" parachute team, your national champion glider team, and powered flight aircraft as they demonstrate the various cadet-led aviation and leadership programs that are offered to cadets during their four years at the Academy bus support: buses and ADA shuttles available from lower lots	
1:15pm-2:15pm	Cadet Wing Parade location: Stillman Field attendance: MANDATORY FOR ALL CADETS; welcome guests; bleacher seating for Stillman Field opens at 10:30am; arrive early for pre-parade demonstrations; Cadets will be released on the field to meet with their guests; if the parade is cancelled for severe weather, guests may check with their cadet to see whether their squadron will move up their Open House time bus support: buses and ADA shuttles available from lower lots	
2:15pm-4:30pm	Squadron Open House location: Sijan and Vandenberg Halls attendance: MANDATORY FOR ALL four-degree Cadets; if the cadet parade is cancelled due to inclement weather, squadrons may hold their open houses starting at 1:00pm; check with your cadet for more information. bus support: bus and ADA Shuttle support to Stillman Field and to Field House parking lots and to Cadet Area after parade	
2:15pm-4:30pm	Multi-Domain Laboratory (MDL) Tour location: Fairchild Hall, Rm. 2H28 attendance: Cadet escort required; no bus support	

12:30pm-4:00pm	Dean of Faculty Open House location: Fairchild Hall attendance: Cadet escort required; bus support: buses will travel to the cadet area; no continuous ADA Shuttle; golf carts with cadet drivers provided as needed in the cadet area
2:15pm-4:30pm	Center for Character and Leadership Development Tours location: Polaris Hall attendance: Cadets may escort parents through Polaris Hall and the Honor Board Assembly Room; no bus support
2:15pm-4:30pm	Airfield Open House location: Davis Airfield attendance: Cadets must escort their guests to the airfield; come view static displays of Academy aircraft and parachuting equipment and visit with the staff of the 306th Flying Training Group; bus support: ADA shuttle parks at the airfield
12:30pm-4:30pm	Athletic Department Open House location: Cadet Field House attendance: guests welcome; come visit the Cadet Field House and the Cadet Gymnasium; meet the Athletics staff and learn all about the many athletic programs available at the Academy; no bus support
5:00pm-7:00pm	Dinner Buffet location: Mitchell Hall attendance: open to Cadets only CADETS MAY SIGN OUT AFTER 4:30pm ON FRIDAY; CADETS MUST ATTEND ACCOUNTABILITY FORMATION FOR THE FOOTBALL GAME SATURDAY MORNING

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Saturday, September 2, 2023

6:00am-8:00am	Optional Breakfast Buffet location: Mitchell Hall attendance: Cadets only
7:30am	Squadron Accountability Formation All Cadets that do not have transportation to the football game must report to the Core Values Ramp no later than 7:50am to board the buses to the stadium.
9:15am	Squadron Tailgate Accountability Formation All Cadets will report to squadron accountability formation at the stadium; due to inbound traffic, parents/guests who do not wish to attend the football game should drop their upper-class cadet off in the Cadet area by 7:50am in time for them to catch the bus to the stadium; Due to traffic restrictions, parents dropping their cadet off at Falcon Stadium won't be able to exit until after the first quarter of the game.
8:15am-10:15am	Squadron Tailgates at Football Game location: Falcon Stadium attendance: parents are welcome to join their Cadet(s) in the tailgate area; NO BUS SUPPORT
11:00am-3:00pm	Home Football Game vs. Robert Morris University location: Falcon Stadium attendance: Cadets are required to attend the game and must sit with the Cadet Wing but do not need to purchase a ticket; for guest tickets, call the USAFA ticket office at (800) 666-8723, (719) 472-1895 or purchase online at https://goairforcefalcons.com Cadet bus support only
3:00pm	CADETS MAY MEET THEIR GUESTS AND DEPART FALCON STADIUM AFTER THE THIRD VERSE OF THE AIR FORCE SONG AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE GAME; CADETS MUST SIGN IN BY MONDAY AT 7:50PM (11:00PM FOR FIRST AND SECOND-CLASS CADETS)
5:00pm-7:30pm	Mitchell Hall Falcon Express location: Mitchell Hall attendance: open to Cadets only

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Sunday, September 3, 2023

9:00am-2:00pm	Optional Brunch Buffet location: Mitchell Hall attendance: Cadets only
8:00am-1:00pm	Worship Services location: various locations attendance: guests must be accompanied by their Cadet; guests are invited to attend services in the Cadet area or the Community Chapel; for schedules, please call the Cadet Chapel at (719) 333-2636 or the Community Chapel at (719) 333-3300; please call the Cadet Chapel for times and locations for Muslim and Jewish worship services which occur on Friday
10:00am-2:00pm	Jacks Valley (BCT) Orientation Tours location: Jacks Valley attendance: Cadets must escort their guests; shuttle buses will run from Field House parking lot every 15 minutes; the last bus departs for Jacks Valley at 1:15pm; the last bus departs from Jacks Valley at 2:00pm returning to the Field House parking lot by 2:15pm; comfortable walking shoes and water bottles recommended bus support only; no ADA shuttles available
11:00am-1:00pm	Lunch Buffet location: Mitchell Hall attendance: open to Cadets only
5:00am-7:30pm	Optional Dinner Buffet location: Mitchell Hall attendance: open to Cadets only

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Monday, September 4, 2023 (Labor Day)

9:00am-2:00pm	Optional Breakfast Buffet location: Mitchell Hall attendance: Cadets only
5:00pm-7:30pm	Optional Dinner Buffet location: Mitchell Hall attendance: Cadets only
7:50pm	Squadron Accountability all third and fourth-class Cadets must sign in
11:00pm	Squadron Accountability all second and first-class Cadets must sign in