

USAFA,

I realize that my updates can run long and that is because it is important that I keep you current on posturing changes and events as they occur. Therefore, I've included headings for the different topics covered in this edition. Fast forward to whatever is relevant to you.

SUMMER ACADEMICS

Today we kicked off Period 2 Summer Academics! Thank you to the departments who are running summer courses to help our cadets remain on track academically. I encourage those cadets who are enrolled in a summer class to use this time wisely and to create an environment conducive to the successful completion of your academic requirements.

COVID-19

The impacts of COVID-19 have not changed the fact that summer is a busy time on our installation. As we begin to open up things more and more, I want to caution you that we are not back to normal yet. Please continue to be diligent with mask wear, frequent hand washing and sanitization, and appropriate spacing. If you are asked to trace your contacts, BE HONEST! This is not the time to cover for a friend. It is our collective responsibility to ensure the health and safety of our USAFA family, especially as we welcome the Class of 2024 this week.

I-Day

Speaking of the class of 2024, In-processing Day (I-Day) for our incoming Basics is this Thursday, 25 June. Here are a few reminders for everyone: UOD on I-Day for all personnel is **short sleeve blues** (unless otherwise required for duty purposes). Permanent party are to use the **South Gate** to allow traffic flow for the Class of 2024 through the North Gate. Also, traffic entering the Cadet Area should utilize the **Sijan Hall ECP**. Please do not interact with the basic cadets if you are not directly involved in the Basic Cadet Training program. This also means you should not be filming or photographing basic cadets during training.

LIVE STREAMS

On Thursday 11 June, USAFA held a *USAFA Senior Leader Perspectives on Race* Town Hall. The questions for this discussion were created in partnership with the Critical Conversations Working Group, USAFA alumni, and leaders and cadets of the Way of Life Committee. The goal of this discussion was to initiate efforts to acknowledge, act, and advocate for sustainable ways to improve culture at USAFA. You can access a recording of the conversation here: <https://youtu.be/Jv7IOX2JJw8>

This discourse is not over yet. CCLD and DF are taking the reins to continue the discussion and incorporate cadet viewpoints as we move forward. This includes feedback we received during the Live Stream.

FUTURE EVENTS

One final item, several folks have been asking about some of upcoming events in the Wing such as Acceptance Day, Parent's Weekend, football game attendance, and Thanksgiving Break. The short answer is that a decision has not yet been made regarding these events. I say this because if you hear that something has been decided regarding these events, it is simply not true. Please do your best to avoid the spread of rumors. Official guidance will come through the chain of command.

Stay healthy, stay connected, JS