



APRIL 2018 E-TRAIN



EDUCATION AND TRAINING – 55 FSS/FSDE

COMMISSIONING

Mr. Bill Good

The 55th Force Support Squadron's Education and Training Section hosted the 3rd Offutt Commissioning Town Hall at the 557th Weather Wing Auditorium on the 23rd of March from 0900-1130. There were 25 Airmen in attendance. Briefings were provided by Mr. Roosevelt Boyland; the Area Liaison Officer for the Air Force Academy, Capt Michelle Lucas; from the University of Nebraska at Omaha, and Mr. William Good from the Education and Training Section (ETS). After the briefings there was a panel of five prior enlisted officers on hand to answer questions from Airmen and give their perspectives on their journey from enlisted Airman to Commissioned Officer.

Unfortunately, the 18OT04 Active Duty Board scheduled in Aug 2018 has been cancelled due to Air Force Recruiting Service (AFRS)

meeting accession targets for FY18 and FY19. The 2019 board schedule will be posted when FY20 accessions are finalized. More information can be found by searching the Air Force Portal / "Air Force Recruiting Service" select "Apply for a Commission via TFOT."

To see previous board results, go to myPers and mouse over "RESOURCES FOR FSS" and select "ACTIVE DUTY MPF" then select "View PSDM Listing." In 2017, Offutt AFB had 15 Airmen selected for TFOT (PSDM 17-25, 30, 43, 63), one for AFROTC (PSDM 17-11), two for EMDP2 (PSDM 17-20), three for NECP (PSDM 17-33), and two for USAFA.

For those Airmen still pursuing a commissioning opportunity, do not give up! The boards may have been cancelled, but they will return and the best thing you can do is prepare. The Air Force Officer

Qualifications Test (AFOQT) is required for TFOT and ROTC opportunities. It is offered at the ETS once every Quarter (First Wednesday in January, April, July and October). Please contact the ETS at 294-5716 no earlier than 30 days prior to schedule your test. Please allow 4-5 hours for test completion.

The next Commissioning Town Hall is tentatively scheduled for August 2018.

As always, if you have questions or need assistance with your Commissioning submission, scheduling your Air Force Officer Qualifying Test (AFOQT), please contact the ETS at 294-5716 or email education6@us.af.mil.



THE FUTURE OF FORMAL TRAINING

Mr. Terry Martin

There will be a new method of delivery of MILPDS Formal Notification Rip coming in the spring. The new method will allow unit training managers to manage notification using shared drives of the 55th Force Support Squadron for easier customer access within their

units. Stay tuned for more information as this process is developed.

Regarding primary members attending in resident Enlisted Professional Military Education, presently the Education & Training office provides a list of alternates to

units as a means of assisting them in replacing primary selectees. We anticipate this process could be changed by HQ AFPC in the future and will have more details as it emerges.

2018 PROMOTION CYCLE IS UNDERWAY (MIND YOUR EPPRC!)

Ms. Simone White

The Enlisted Promotions References and Requirements Catalog (EPPRC) for the 2018 (E5) Promotion Cycle is available on the myPers website under enlisted promotions.

The EPPRC identifies the available enlisted promotion tests and associated study references for Airmen preparing for promotion.

Part One-provides general information that may be of use

when Airmen are planning for promotion testing.

Part Two-should be read by all promotion eligible examinees and WAPS monitors. It provides a list of each enlisted promotion test developed and the materials used to develop the test. Below are the WAPS testing cycles for Fiscal Year 2018.

Cycle18E5 for promotion to Staff Sergeant (SSgt); testing window is 1 May-15 Jun 2018.

Upcoming WAPS Testing Cycles

**18E5 promotion to Staff Sergeant (SSgt);
1 May-15 Jun 2018**

**18E9 promotion to Chief Master Sergeant (CMSgt);
10-14 September 2018**

TUITION ASSISTANCE (TA)

You are required to receive a briefing in order to use TA. The good news – this ‘Walk-In’ brief is held every Thursday in Rm 237 of Bldg. 323C. This must be accomplished before any Funding Request or Education Goal submission. This briefing expires 1 year after initial or from last TA

THE VIRTUAL BRIEF:

The weekly TA brief is NOT the same as the ‘Virtual’ TA benefits training completed in AFVEC. This Virtual training is required every October.

CIVILIAN TRAINING INITIATIVES

Mr. Todd Annett

Supervisory Training: Most of the civilian supervisor/manager courses have been rewritten. These new courses are: USAF New Supervisor Course which satisfies both supervisor and Civilian Personnel Mgt Courses (CPMC). USAF Experienced Supervisor is now the refresher course. USAF New Manager and USAF Experienced Manager courses. Military

Personnel Mgt Course remains essentially unchanged. The 55 WG employees and their supervisors should expect periodic updates of personnel with training due.

New Employee Orientation (NEO): New hire employees must complete NEO training within 90 days of their start date.

Any civilian employees who had not completed NEO and

were over 2 years have been updated any employees with less than 2 years must still complete this requirement

Civilian Development: Ever wondered where you can find information on Civilian Developmental Education Opportunities? Access the virtual Force Development site via the AF Portal. Look under *career and training* for Virtual Force Development.

NEW TESTING PROGRAM AVAILABLE

Mr. Craig Johansen

FAA / JSAMTCC Airman Knowledge Testing Program



Federal Aviation Administration

WHO MAY TAKE AN FAA AIRMAN KNOWLEDGE TEST FREE OF CHARGE ???

Eligible U.S. Military:

- > Active-duty
- > Guard
- > Reserve
- > Retirees
- > Dependents

Eligible Civilians:

- > Department of Defense (DoD)
- > Department of Homeland Security (DHS)



FAA EXAMS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE FOLLOWING CERTIFICATE / RATING AREAS:

Aircraft Dispatcher
 Airline Transport Pilot Helicopter (135)
 Airline Transport Pilot Multiengine Airplane
 Commercial Pilot Airplane
 Commercial Pilot Helicopter
 Flight Engineer Turbojet (Basic)
 Flight Instructor Helicopter

Flight Instructor Instrument Airplane
 Fundamentals of Instruction
 Flight Instructor Instrument Helicopter
 Ground Instructor (Advanced)
 Ground Instructor (Basic)
 Ground Instructor Instrument

Instrument Ground Instructor
 Instrument Rating Airplane
 Instrument Rating Helicopter
 Military Competence Airplane
 Military Competence Helicopter
 Military Competence Instructor
 Unmanned Aircraft Systems

For additional information, contact Base Education Services at: 294-5716 or education6@us.af.mil

55TH FSS - BASE EDUCATION & TRAINING SERVICES, OFFUTT AFB

NON WAPS TESTING SCHEDULE

NO TESTING ON HOLIDAYS AND ACC DOWN DAYS

Monday: Rm. 127 0830 CDC 1300 and 1430 TBAS Rm. 109 0830 EDPT/AFRAT

Tuesday: Rm. 127 0830 PME 1300 FAA

Wednesday: No Testing

Thursday: Rm. 127 0830 CDC 1300 FAA

Friday: No Testing

QUARTERLY TESTING

Language – 0830 (3rd Wednesday & Thursday of each Month) **Room 127**

AFOQT – 0830 1st Wednesday of Quarter (Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct) **Room 109**

AFCT – 0830 4th Wednesday of Quarter (Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct) **Room 127**

Please call our Front Counter Services for **ALL** other Non-WAPS testing dates/times to schedule.

Comm: (402) 294-5716 DSN: 271-5716

ON-BASE SCHOOLS – OFFUTT AFB, NE



Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University will be offering the following terms starting on the dates indicated. The mode of delivery is shown for each of the terms. Embry-Riddle at the Offutt campus offers classes through traditional classroom, on line, and Eagle Vision Home (EVH). Eagle Vision Home classes are virtual live classes attended outside the classroom anywhere you have high speed internet access. All classes for all degrees are fully available through on line delivery.

<u>Term</u>	<u>Start Date</u>	<u>Mode</u>
April	25 April 2018	On Line
May	28 May 2018	On Line, Class Room, EVH
June	15 June	On Line

You can access degrees available through at Embry-Riddle by visiting:

<http://catalog.erau.edu/worldwide>

Contact Robert Terhardt at (402) 292-6655 or offutt@erau.edu for additional information.



The University of Nebraska at Omaha's Bachelor of Multidisciplinary Studies (BMS) Degree is a flexible, individualized degree program that is ideal for active duty military and veterans seeking degree completion or pursuing a college degree for the first time. The BMS is available fully online and nationally ranked among the top 25 online bachelor's degrees.

Enrollment for summer 2018 opens for current students on February 27th and for new students on March 5th, 2018. Classes start May 14th (check online for your specific date and time).

The UNO office at Offutt can assist with: the admission process, academic advising, and required placement testing.

For more information: dcs.unomaha.edu, unooffutt@unomaha.edu or call (402)595-2371.



Summer Semester begins the first week of June for our traditional majors. We have 28 Undergraduate & 12 Graduate level accelerated (cohort) programs that start in April & May.

Active duty members & ***Spouses*** of the US Military, including National Guard, & Reserve are eligible for a tuition rate of \$250 per credit hour for courses in select Undergraduate Programs.

Contact Matt Durden
matt.durden@bellevu.edu (402)291-8853, or swing by his office at the Base Education Center.



Finish your CCAF with General Education courses (on-line or in-class) at Metropolitan Community College (MCC). Or work on a transfer degree (e.g. Business, Computer, Engineering, etc.) for a 4-year college. MCC recently opened three new building at our Fort location offering Trades, Construction and Emerging Technology. Also, spouses can use MYCAA funding to earn applied science degrees like Business Management, Graphic Design and Health Information Management. Visit us at www.mccneb.edu. At Offutt: Grant Hoover ghoover@mccneb.edu 531-622-2571