

GRADUATION WEEK 2017 DETAILED SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

USAFA Class of 2017, 59th Graduating Class

Class Color: Silver

Motto: "Respect All, Fear None"

Exemplar: Col. George Everett "Bud" Day

Friday, 12 May 2017		
TBD	<i>Grad Committee Stadium Dry Run (final Grad Ceremony meeting)</i>	<i>Press Box, Falcon Stadium</i>
Saturday, 13 May 2017		
1430-2200	<i>Bluebards Rehearsal</i>	<i>Arnold Hall Theater</i>
Sunday, 14 May 2017		
1300-1700	<i>Bluebards rehearsal</i>	<i>Arnold Hall Theater</i>
Monday, 15 May 2017		
0800-2200	<i>Ring Dance Rep/Committee Prep *(all committee meets each day, Mon-Fri)</i>	<i>Arnold Hall Ballroom</i>
0800-0900	<i>Graduation Table Top w/Supt & Senior Staff</i>	<i>Superintendent's Conf Room</i>
1500-1700	<i>Orchestra, Chorale, Drum & Bugle, In the Stairwell Rehearsal</i>	<i>Arnold Hall Theater</i>
1700-2200	<i>Bluebards Rehearsal</i>	<i>Arnold Hall Theater</i>
Tuesday, 16 May 2017		
0730-0830	<i>Bus Transportation for Prep School C/Cs to Arnold Hall</i>	<i>Arnold Hall Theater</i>
0830-1100	<i>Prep School Graduation Practice</i>	<i>Arnold Hall Theater</i>
1000-1100	<i>Grad Awards Briefing (Only cadets receiving awards at the main Grad Awards ceremony)</i>	<i>2P328</i>
1100-1200	<i>Bus Transportation for Prep School C/Cs to Prep School</i>	<i>Prep School</i>
1400-1530	Prep School Graduation Reception	High Country Inn
1500-1545	<i>Prep Baccalaureate Practice (C/Cs participating only)</i>	<i>Community Center Chapel</i>
1600-2200	<i>Bluebards Rehearsal</i>	<i>Arnold Hall Theater</i>
1600-1715	Preparatory Baccalaureate (optional)	Community Center Chapel
1800-1900	<i>Cadet Chorale Rehearsal</i>	<i>Cadet Chapel</i>
1800-1900	<i>Protestant Cadet Choir Rehearsal</i>	<i>Cadet Chapel</i>
Wednesday, 17 May 2017		
0900-1000	<i>Outstanding Squadron Photo</i>	<i>Cadet Chapel</i>
0930-1030	Preparatory School Graduation Parade	Black Field
1000-1100	<i>Grad Threat Working Group (ABW/AT may move to 18 May)</i>	<i>ABW Conf Room</i>
1030-1130	<i>Grad Committee Clune Dry Run</i>	<i>Field House foyer</i>
1245-1330	<i>Bus Transportation for Prep School C/Cs to Arnold Hall (from Prep School)</i>	<i>Arnold Hall Theater</i>
1400-1600	Prep School Hall of Fame and Awards Ceremony	Arnold Hall Theater
1600-1700	<i>Bus Transportation for Prep School C/Cs to Prep School</i>	<i>Prep School</i>
1600-1900	<i>Graduation Concert Rehearsal (Chorale, Orchestra, In the Stairwell)</i>	<i>Arnold Hall Theater</i>
1700-2200	<i>94 FTS Soaring G-Wings Ceremony and Social</i>	<i>Falcon Club</i>
1800-2200	<i>Bluebards Rehearsal</i>	<i>Arnold Hall Theater</i>
Thursday, 18 May 2017		
0600-2200	North Gate Visitor Hours	
0830-0900	<i>Bus Transportation for Prep School C/Cs to Arnold Hall (from Prep School)</i>	<i>Arnold Hall Theater</i>
0930-1100	Preparatory School Graduation Ceremony	Arnold Hall Theater
1230-1330	<i>Bus Transportation for Prep School C/Cs to Prep School (from Arnold Hall)</i>	<i>Prep School</i>
1400-1700	<i>Graduation Concert Rehearsal (Chorale, Orchestra, In the Stairwell)</i>	<i>Arnold Hall Theater</i>
1800-2200	<i>Bluebards Rehearsal</i>	<i>Arnold Hall Theater</i>
Friday, 19 May 2017		
0600-2359	North Gate Visitor Hours	
0700-0800	<i>Grad Parade Briefing to 1st/2nd class, AFCW leadership</i>	<i>F-1</i>
0800-1000	<i>Academy Board (final class stats)</i>	<i>Supts Conf Rm</i>
0815-0930	<i>Grad Parade Practice</i>	<i>Stillman Field</i>
1100-1200	<i>CW Firstie Briefing and Announcement of #1 Grad by Supt</i>	<i>F-1</i>
1200-1315	Muslim Baccalaureate Service	Cadet Chapel
1300-1500	<i>Senior Staff Stadium Walk-Through</i>	<i>Press Box, Falcon Stadium</i>
1300-1500	<i>March-on Practice and Class Photo</i>	<i>Falcon Stadium floor</i>

1600-1800	<i>Honor Guard, Saber Drill</i>	<i>Terrazzo</i>
1700-1730	<i>Pre-Ring Dining Out Social for DV's only</i>	<i>Mitchell Hall</i>
1730-1945	Ring Dining Out (Second-Class cadets & their guests only; tickets required)	Mitchell Hall
2000-2300	Ring Dance (Second-Class cadets & their guests only; tickets required)	Arnold Hall Ballroom
Saturday, 20 May 2017		
0600-2200	North Gate Visitor Hours	
0700-0830	<i>March-on inclement weather backup</i>	<i>Falcon Stadium floor</i>
0930-1045	<i>Parade practice incl weather backup</i>	<i>Stillman Field</i>
1500-1700	Commandant's Fiancé(e)s Reception (Guests must be escorted by their cadet)	Otis House
Sunday, 21 May 2017		
0600-2200	North Gate Visitor Hours	
0800-2200	<i>Graduation Ball Committee Prep * (Commences each day/various times leading up to event)</i>	<i>Arnold Hall Ballroom</i>
0800-1515	Baccalaureate Services 0800-0915 Catholic Mass, Sq 1-20 0900-1000 Buddhist Service, All Sq 1000-1115 Catholic Mass, Sq 21-40 1000-1115 Protestant Service, All Sq, 1100-1200 Jewish Service, All Sq (Kiddush 1200-1300) 1330-1445 Latter-Day Saints service, All Sq	Cadet Chapel
1300-1700	Superintendent's Reception (Guests must be escorted by their cadet) 1300-1345 First Group, Sq 1-10 1500-1545 Third Group, Sq 21-30 1400-1445 Second Group, Sq 11-20 1600-1645 Fourth Group, Sq 31-40	The Carlton House
1800-2100	Bluebards Performance (no tickets, required, open to cadets, guest and public)	Arnold Hall Theater
2100-	<i>Start of Bluebards 'A-hall teardown</i>	<i>Arnold Hall Theater</i>
1830	<i>Arrival of Thunderbird #8, Crew Chief (F-16D)</i>	<i>Peterson AFB</i>
Monday, 22 May 2017		
0600-2200	North Gate Visitor Hours	
0700	<i>Arnold Hall staff arrives (Graduation Concert)</i>	<i>Arnold Hall Theater</i>
0730-0800	<i>Graduation Tapping Ceremony Donor/Presenter Check-in</i>	<i>Arnold Hall</i>
0800-0915	Graduation Tapping Ceremony (by invitation to Donors/Presenters, honored cadets & their guests)	Arnold Hall Ballroom
0930-1000	<i>Graduation Awards Rehearsal (key personnel)</i>	<i>Clune Arena</i>
1000	<i>USAFA Band Productions team arrives (Graduation Concert)</i>	<i>Arnold Hall Theater</i>
1000-1030	<i>Thunderbirds#1-7 (Survey USAFA: 1000, Land @Peterson 1030)</i>	<i>USAFA, Peterson AFB</i>
0930-1000	<i>Graduation Awards Ceremony Donor/Presenter Check-in</i>	<i>Clune Arena</i>
1000-1100	Graduation Awards Ceremony (Presentation of Organizational & Individual awards)	Clune Arena
1130-1230	Graduation Awards Ceremony Reception (Sr Staff, Donors/Presenters, Cadet award winners & guests)	Hall of Excellence
1200-1700	<i>Airfield Open House and Static Displays (guests must be escorted by their cadet)</i>	<i>USAFA Airfield</i>
1230-1300	<i>Athletic Department (AD) Awards Ceremony Donor/Presenter Check-in</i>	<i>Clune Arena</i>
1230-1300	<i>Dean of Faculty (DF) Award Ceremonies Donor/Presenter Check-in/Reception</i>	<i>Heritage Room, Fairchild Hall</i>
1300-1400	CW (Schulte) Award Ceremony	Polaris Hall
1300-1500	DF Award Ceremonies (See final schedule on website in May)	Times/Locations TBD
1300-1430	<i>Wings of Blue Awards & "Blue Suit" Ceremony (social from 1430-1500, Bldg. 9201) (guests must be escorted by their cadet)</i>	<i>USAFA Airfield</i>
1300-1400	AD Awards Ceremony (Mandatory for all Cadet Athletes)	Clune Arena
1400-1430	AD Awards Ceremony Reception (Sr Staff, Donors/Presenters, Cadet award winners & guests)	Hall of Excellence
1300-1900	<i>Graduation Concert (Sound check – Cadet Chorale, Orchestra, In the Stairwell)</i>	<i>Arnold Hall Theater</i>
1430-1530	<i>Thunderbirds "Run-in" Practice with Commandant, #1, #5, #6 (road closures) Thunderbird #8 Media Flight</i>	<i>Falcon Stadium</i>
1530-1630	Academy Scholars Program Ceremony	Fairchild Hall, F-1
1800-1930	AF Academy Foundation Cadet Leadership Reception (by invitation to AFAF & selected cadets from Sq receiving the AFAF-sponsored Leadership & Scholarship Squadron Award)	The Carlton House
1930-2130	Graduation Concert (Cadet Chorale, Orchestra, In the Stairwell - no tickets, required, open to cadets, guest and public)	Arnold Hall Theater
Tuesday, 23 May 2017		
0600-2200	North Gate Visitor Hours	
0730-0900	<i>CAPEX (Airmanship Demonstration)</i>	<i>Stillman Field</i>
0900-1030	Graduation Parade (Cadet Aerial Demonstrations 0815-0900)	Stillman Field

1000-1100	Thunderbird #8 Media Flight	Falcon Stadium
1100-1200	Thunderbirds Practice Show (road closures, Airspace closed surf to 15K'AGL, 1050-1150)	Falcon Stadium
1300-1500 1600-1800 1900-2100	Commissioning Ceremonies (<i>Guests must be escorted by their cadet</i>)	Various locations
TBD	Inclement Weather Backup Commandant's Thunderbirds Run-In Practice	Falcon Stadium
1400-1500	Honor Guard Practice	Terrazzo
1530-1930	Graduation Formal Reception (<i>tickets required</i>)	Mitchell Hall
Wednesday, 24 May 2017		
0700-2200	North Gate Visitor Hours (<i>after 2300, guests must depart via South Gate</i>)	Event Cordon: 0800-1000 and 1400-2200
0745	All Firsties in place in Grad hold pen	Falcon Stadium
0730-0900	Pre-Grad Reception (<i>Supts invited guests only</i>)	Falcon Stadium Press Box
0930-1230	Graduation Ceremony (<i>Tickets are required; stadium gates open at 0700</i>)	Falcon Stadium
1030-1330	Thunderbirds Demonstration (Airspace closed window) (1140: Take off from Peterson, 1200: Hat-Toss Run-in, 1200-1300 Demo)	Falcon Stadium