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RPA pilots set to receive \$35,000 annual bonus



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Remotely piloted aircraft (RPA) pilots work closely with intelligence officers, sensor operators and maintainers to complete mission objectives. RPA personnel deal with the stressors of deployed service members while maintaining the normalcy of their dayto-day lives through programs designed to enhance communication skills, family and spiritual growth.

By Tech. Sgt. Bryan Franks Secretary of the Air Force Public Affairs Command Information

WASHINGTON (AFNS) -- Air Force Secretary Deborah Lee James announced an increase to the service's remotely piloted aircraft (RPA) pilot bonus Aug. 10 in a multipronged approach to increase RPA manning and incentivize RPA pilots within a community

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As part of the Secretary and Chief of Staff of the Air Force's RPA "Get Well" plan, RPA pilots who have completed their initial activeduty service commitment from training starting in fiscal year 2016 will be eligible to receive a bonus of \$35,000 per year, \$10,000 more than the current bonus, in exchange for an additional active-duty service commitment.

RPA pilots who previously accepted a bonus will also be eligible for the increase in exchange for an additional year on their service commitment. Specific contract details will be forthcoming over the next few weeks.

"The Air Force recognizes the important contribution RPA pilots make every day, and retaining these valued aviators to execute our current operations and shape the future is critical," said Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. David. L. Goldfein. "While we applaud this effort, we recognize we have similar challenges across our entire pilot force, and we'd like the opportunity to offer higher retention bonuses for all our pilots."

Currently, the Air Force is seeking legislation to fund an increase in aviation retention



U.S. Air Force photo/Lt. Col. Leslie Pratt

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pay above the current limit of \$25,000 per year for all pilots. This pay has not changed since 1999.

"Money is important, but it isn't everything -- it isn't the be-all and end-all," James said. "As you've heard me say repeatedly, quality of life, quality of the work environment; these are also important factors. To that end, we will soon announce ways we will reduce assigned additional duties to give Airmen some of their precious time back. We are also working with Congress to ensure basic allowance for housing, which is a key factor for total compensation for military members, remains robust and does not change substantially for our Airmen."

The Air Force's focus on improving retention and quality of life across the service has been a key priority for Air Force leadership with the expansion of selective reenlistment bonuses from 44 to 117 Air Force specialty codes, high year of tenure extensions for 122 specialties, and strong support of Defense Secretary Ash Carter's Force of the Future initiative, which included the extension of maternity leave.

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An Airman from Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., conducts pre-flight checks Aug. 10, 2016 at Andersen Air Force Base, Guam. Approximately 200 Airmen and three B-2 Spirits deployed to Guam to demonstrate the ability of the U.S. bomber force to provide a flexible and vigilant long range global-strike capability and a commitment to supporting global security.

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Bomber trio participates in first integrated bomber operation in **U.S. Pacific Command**



U.S. Air Force photo/Senior Airman Joshua

A B-52 Stratofortress, B-1 Lancer and B-2 Spirit taxi in preparation for an integrated bomber mission at Andersen Air Force Base Guam, Aug.17, 2016. This mission marked the first time in history that all three of Air Force Global Strike Command's strategic bomber aircraft simultaneously conducted integrated operations in the U.S. Pacific Command area of operations, As of Aug. 15. the B-1 will be temporarily deployed to Guam in support of PACOM's continuous bomber presence mission.

By Tech. Sgt. Richard Ebensberger 36th Wing Public Affairs

ANDERSEN AIR FORCE BASE, Guam (AFNS) -- History was made Aug. 17 when all three of Air Force Global Strike Command's strategic power projection bombers, the B-52 Stratofortress, B-1B Lancer and B-2 Spirit, simultaneously took to the sky during their first integrated bomber operation in the Indo-Asia-Pacific region.

Though all the aircraft have deployed independently to the U.S. Pacific Command's area of responsibility in the past, this was the first time all three bombers flew a formation pass over Andersen Air Force Base, dispersed and then simultaneously conducted operations in the South China Sea and Northeast Asia.

'This mission demonstrated the U.S. commitment to supporting global security and our ability to launch a credible strategic defense force," said Brig. Gen. Douglas Cox, the 36th Wing commander.

Missions such as this provide opportunities for bomber crews to integrate and train with allies and partners in a variety of missions and are also designed to strengthen capabilities by familiarizing aircrews with Andersen's geographic area of operations.

Several B-1s and more than 300 Airmen from Ellsworth AFB, South Dakota, arrived at Andersen AFB in early August to replace the B-52s assigned to Minot AFB, North Dakota. Effective Aug. 15, the B-1s are temporarily located at Guam to carry out PACOM's continuous bomber presence mission

Capt. Kaitlin Tardieu and 1st Lt. Ruben

Labrador, both 69th Expeditionary Bomb Squadron B-52 pilots deployed from Minot AFB, said after a successful mission, they will be heading home once the changeover is complete.

"We've been out here the past six months flying Pacific power projection sorties, so all over the Pacific area of responsibility doing assurance deterrence missions," Tardieu said.

"It's been an amazing experience," Labrador added. "We've (been able) to use equipment we wouldn't usually use and integrate with our allies."

With a large weapon capacity and exceptional standoff strike capability, the B-1 provides PACOM and its regional allies and partners with a credible, strategic power projection platform.

"The unique thing about our opportunities here as part of the continuous bomber presence is we really have the chance to train across all of the mission sets that the B-1 is capable of," said Lt. Col. Seth Spanier, the 34th Expeditionary Bomb Squadron commander deployed from Ellsworth AFB. "We will routinely, on a day-in and day-out basis, get to train with the land, air and naval forces of both the U.S. and our allies and partners in the region. It's really an unmatched training opportunity for our squadron."

Additionally, as a demonstration to U.S. commitment to the region, three B-2s also arrived in theater Aug. 9 from Whiteman AFB, Missouri, to conduct local sorties and regional training and integrate with partner nations. During the deployment, members of the 509th Bomb Wing will hone skills in such key areas as command and control, air refueling and long-range navigation, while directly interacting with allied military forces.

"Training deployments such as these are meant to maintain crew readiness and provide unique training opportunities," said Lt. Col. Keith Butler, the 13th Bomb Squadron director of operations. "It also gives us the chance to work with other bomber aircraft we have inside Air Force Global Strike Command as well as some of our regional allies and partners for national security and deterrence in this part of the world."

The CBP mission and global strategic bomber deployments are part of a longstanding history of maintaining a consistent bomber presence in the Indo-Asia-Pacific region in order to maintain stability and provide assurance to U.S. allies and partners in the region. PACOM's area of responsibility covers 52 percent of the globe, which makes strategic bombers an effective long-range global attack capability to assure allies and deter potential adversaries.

AFGSC continues to routinely deploy bombers to Andersen AFB, which provides opportunities for Airmen to advance and strengthen regional alliances and the longstanding military-to-military partnerships throughout the Indo-Asia-Pacific.

"By doing this, we showed the world we can expertly integrate three different platforms with unique capabilities, meeting (Andersen AFB's) mission by providing the president of the United States sovereign options to decisively employ airpower across the entire spectrum of engagement, thus achieving our wing's motto, we are 'prepared to prevail," Cox said.



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AF seeks 2016 GEICO Military Service Awards nominations

By Kat Bailey Air Force Personnel Center Public Affairs

JOINT BASE SAN ANTONIO-RANDOLPH, Texas (AFNS) -- Air Force officials are accepting nominations through Sept. 12 for the 2016 Government Employees Insurance Company (GEICO) Military Service Awards. The GEICO Military Service Awards annually recognizes enlisted total force members from all branches of service for contributions to military or civilian communities.

The three award categories are drug and alcohol abuse prevention, fire safety and fire prevention, and traffic safety and accident prevention. The accident prevention category applies only to vehicle- or motorcycle-related accomplishments.

The award period is Oct. 1, 2015, to

Sept. 30, 2016. Contributions may also span a period of several years, be ongoing, or have been accomplished during the award period. For contributions after Sept. 12 and before Sept. 30, individuals can contact the Air Force Personnel Center at (210) 565-2520.

GEICO will select recipients in each category from all nominees submitted by each service. Those recipients will be honored at a ceremony in Washington, D.C., next spring.

Search for eligibility and application procedures on myPers with the keyword "GEICO." For more information about Air Force personnel programs, go to the myPers website. Individuals who do not have a myPers account can request one by following the instructions on the Air Force Retirees Services website.



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Beat the Boss

The Beat the Boss program is a monthly PT test competition among 509th Bomb Wing units that will recognize outstanding teamwork and devotion to fitness at the Squadron level. Whiteman Airmen who score the same or higher than the commander's score of 95.4% will earn a one-day pass.

Here are the latest Beat the Boss results:



Lt. Col. Shane McCauley, 509th MDG • 100% Senior Airman Ryan Palmer, 393d BS • 98.5% Lt. Col. Christopher Wilhelm, 509th MDG • 98.3% Tech. Sgt. Blythe Cooley, 509th CS • 98.1% Staff Sgt. Devyn Ransom, 509th MXS • 97.3% Capt. David Beranek, 20th ATKS • 97.3% Staff Sgt. Lindsay Helbig, 509th CONS • 97% Airman 1st Class Eric Young, 509th CES • 97% Senior Airman Bruno Gomes, 509th MXS • 96.8% Maj. Daniel St. Clair, 509th BW • 96.6% Airman 1st Class Dana Beck, 509th CES • 96.2% Airman 1st Class Marin Kang, 509th MUNS • 95.9% Master Sgt. Eric Davis, 509th CES • 95.7%

Master Sgt. Eric Davis, 509th CES • 95.7% Master Sgt. Daniel Jacobson, 509th MDG • 95.7% Airman 1st Class Jon Hoseth, 509th AMXS • 95.4% Senior Airman Lance Lockett, 509th MXS • 95.4%

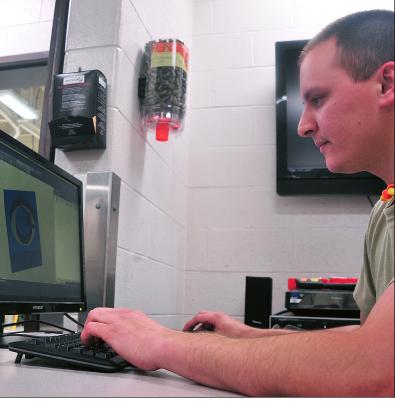
Creating critical components

On the right: A computer numerical control (CNC) machine mills the center of an AGE tow bar at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., July 26, 2016. Metals technicians create and repair mission essential items for multiple squadrons.

Below: U.S. Air Force Airman 1st Class Gildardo Martinez, a metals tech journeyman assigned to the 509th Maintenance Squadron, welds a tail of an oven rack at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., July 26, 2016. Metals technology specialists weld, fabricate and custom-make metal components critical to an aircraft's functionality and other mission essential equipment.







U.S. Air Force Airman 1st Class Derek Ebarb, a metals tech journeyman assigned to the 509th Maintenance Squadron, renders a tow bar through a computer-aided design (CAD) program at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., July 26, 2016. The CAD program uses codes that are transferred to the computer numerical control mill to determine what is being crafted.



U.S. Air Force Airman 1st Class Derek Ebarb, a metals tech journeyman assigned to the 509th Maintenance Squadron, monitors a computer numerical control (CNC) mill at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., July 26, 2016. The CNC mill is computer controlled and has the ability to move the spindle vertically along the Z-axis.

Weekly commander's message



U.S. Air Force photo/Senior Airman Joshua Smoot

A U.S. Air Force B-52 Stratofortress, B-1 Lancer and B-2 Spirit fly over Guam after launching from Andersen Air Force Base, Guam, for an integrated bomber operation Aug. 17, 2016. This mission marks the first time in history that all three of Air Force Global Strike Command's strategic bomber aircraft are simultaneously conducting integrated operations in the U.S. Pacific Command area of operations. As of Aug. 15, the B-1 Lancer will be temporarily deployed to Guam in support of U.S. Pacific Command's Continuous Bomber Presence mission.

Greeting, Team Whiteman!

More than 200 of our Total Force warriors and three of our B-2s remain deployed to Andersen Air Force Base, Guam, as they continue to execute a USSTRATCOM-led Bomber Assurance and Deterrence (BAAD) mission. This week our deployed aircrews, maintainers and support personnel conducted numerous B-2 sorties throughout the Pacific region.

These B-2 operations enabled our highly-trained airmen to integrate and showcase long-range strategic bomber capabilities with key regional partners and demonstrated our ability to maintain a high state of precise, lethal, global strike readiness to execute combat airpower anytime, anywhere. Our airmen have also had the unique and rewarding opportunities to work alongside the other deployers from the B-52 and B-1 communities, as all three bomber platforms are currently operating out of Guam for the first time in history, culminating with a photo shoot to demonstrate America's strategic global strike capability!

Back home at Whiteman, our Total Force team this week

generated multiple missions designed to challenge and test our aircrews' advanced combat tactics in simulated contested enemy environments. Specifically, our mission partners from the 325th Weapons Squadron demonstrated the B-2's incredible bombing capability by successfully releasing 160 500-pound live munitions from a 2-ship formation on the Nellis Test and Training Range. These missions were part of the "weapons phase" of the Weapon Instructor Candidate syllabus, which provides the world's most advanced training in weapons and tactics employment to selected B-2 pilots.

Also this week, our Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) teammates and our Security Forces' K-9 handlers completed a joint Improvised Explosive Device (IED) training course. During the course, three EOD teams will be paired with K-9 handlers to execute training scenarios in a simulated deployed environment. The teams practice communicating potential threats in a suspect location, while better understanding each other's operating principles. Though this was a more extensive training event, our EOD and K-9 teams train regularly to respond to any incident in order to ensure our safety and

security.

Lastly, we have a great new program happening here at Whiteman. The new program, known as "Fit Force," is a CrossFit program and it is now in its second full week of implementation! "Fit Force" is offered 5 days per week with approximately 3 classes per day. These classes are open to dependents, as well as all of our Total Force service members. For CrossFit beginners, our Fitness Center offers an "Onramp" class that demonstrates the basic movements of the program and allows anyone to ease into this outstanding workout. This is a great new initiative...take advantage of it when you can!

I hope you have a great, safe weekend...Watch out for one another!

Defend...Avenge!

Nuke PAUL W. TIBBETS IV Brigadier General, USAF Commander, 509th Bomb Wing

Lt. Col. Pancoast new leader of 72d TES



U.S. Air Force Col. Michael N. Mathes, the 53d Test and Evaluation Group commander, passes the command guidon to Lt. Col. Benjamin Pancoast, the new 72d Test and Evaluation Squadron (TES) commander, at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., Aug. 12, 2016. Pancoast assumed command from Lt. Col. William Hepler. The 72d TES provides tactical and technical expertise to the Air Force and Department of Defense agencies, in addition to evaluating B-2 Spirit software, weapons, mission planning, survivability and tactics.

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Upholding the Legacy of Excellence -- your legacy!

Public Affairs is offering the opportunity for you, members of Team Whiteman (to include active duty, Guard, Reserve, civilian and retired military), to submit commentaries about your personal experiences with or reflections on the 509th Bomb Wing's Legacy of Excellence and what it means to you.

Submissions must be 250-1200 words in length and will be reviewed for content, grammar and style before publication by the Public Affairs staff. Once approved, one commentary will be posted in the Whiteman Warrior base newspaper weekly.



To make a submission, please email the 509th Bomb Wing PA office at 509.bw.pa@us.af.mil. Please include "UTL Commentary" as the subject line. Lastly, please ensure that you include information about yourself, such as your name and rank, job title, and any information that could help tie you to the Legacy.

Photos are accepted! Please ensure that they are either official military photos or scans/digital copies of personal photos.

We look forward to publishing your story!

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<u>Accidents:</u> Big or small, avoid them all



U.S. Air Force photo/Senior Airman Danielle Quilla

U.S. Air Force Tech. Sgt. Tavis Riley, the NCO in charge of small air terminal operations assigned to the 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron, receives a coin from Brig. Gen. Paul Tibbets IV, the 509th Bomb Wing commander, at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., Aug. 12, 2016. Whiteman's new "See Something...Say Something" campaign is designed to combat participation in unsafe activities and limit the number of close calls that the installation experiences. Riley was recognized for noticing an unsafe situation and taking immediate action to acquire two stands to help his Airmen complete their task without any injuries.

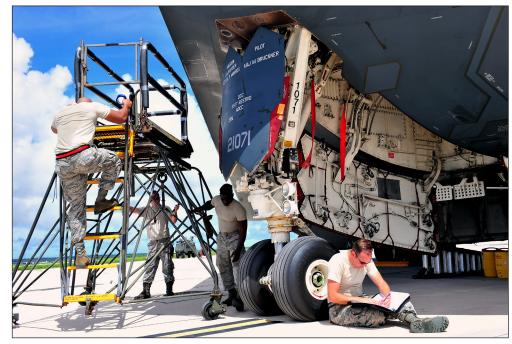


Feature



U.S. Air Force photo/Tech. Sqt. Miquel Lara III

U.S. Air Force Staff Sot. Matthew Helms, a dedicated crew chief assigned to the 509th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, salutes a B-2 pilot prior to take off at Andersen Air Force Base, Guam, Aug. 11, 2016. More than 200 Airmen and three B-2s deployed to the Indo-Asia-Pacific region to demonstrate the ability of the U.S. bomber force to provide a flexible and vigilant long-range global strike capability.



U.S. Air Force photo/Senior Airman Jovan Banks

Members of the 509th and 131st Maintenance Group deployed from Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., conduct pre-flight checks Aug. 10, 2016, at Andersen Air Force Base, Guam. Approximately 200 Airmen and three B-2 Spirits deployed here to demonstrate the ability of the U.S. bomber force to provide a flexible and vigilant long range global-strike capability and a commitment to supporting global security.



U.S. Air Force photo/Tech. Sgt. Miguel Lara III Airmen assigned to the 509th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron conduct pre-flight checks with a B-2 Spirit prior to take off at Andersen Air Force Base, Guam, Aug. 11, 2016. More than 200 Airmen and three B-2s deployed from Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., in support of U.S. Strategic Command's Bomber Assurance and Deterrence missions. The BAAD deployments are part of a long-standing history of maintaining a consistent bomber presence in the Indo-Asia-Pacific in order to maintain regional stability, and provide assurance to our allies and partners in the region.

Eighth Air Force bomber presence felt in Indo-Asia Pacific

By Justin Oakes Eighth Air Force Public Affairs

BARKSDALE AIR FORCE BASE, La. -- The Indo-Asia-Pacific region is no stranger to U.S. bombers. For more than a decade, the U.S. military has maintained a deployed strategic bomber presence in the Pacific, focused on enabling regional security and stability.

To sustain that presence, Eighth Air Force, historically known as "the Mighty Eighth," provides combatant commanders with the B-1 Lancers, B-2 Spirits, B-52 Stratofortresses and Airmen to support joint and allied partnerships within the region.

When B-2s deployed to Guam earlier with B-1 and B-52 units currently operating from Anderson Air Force Base, it marked a historical first for the Service.

Though the aircraft have appeared together in past in- variety of methods." stances in the Pacific AOR, this is the first time all three bombers are there to conduct integrated operations in the region.

"As a result of simultaneous operations, we have all three Mighty Eighth bomber aircraft assigned to the U.S. Pacific area of responsibility at the same time," said Maj. Gen. Richard M. Clark, 8th Air Force commander.

The Air Force will maximize on the overlap of strategic bombers by conducting the first integrated bomber operation in the Pacific AOR while all the bombers are in place in Guam

"This presents a great opportunity," Clark said. "By integrating every platform within this environment, we will strengthen our interoperability and demonstrate to our allies we have the capability to strike anywhere, anytime using a

The short-term B-2 deployment is part of a U.S. Strategic unrefueled range and can reach an elevation of 50,000 feet. Command bomber assure and deter mission focused on con-The B-2 BAAD mission comes at a time when the Air ducting local sorties, regional training and integrating with Force is conducting a Continuous Bomber Presence swap partner nations. During the deployment, members of the out in the Pacific. 509th Bomb Wing will hone skills in areas to include com-Approximately 300 Airmen along with B-1s from mand and control, air refueling, long-rang navigation while Ellsworth AFB, South Dakota, are replacing B-52s and their directly interacting with allied military forces. support personnel from Minot AFB, North Dakota, who cur-"There's no substitute for operating in theater," said Lt. rently support U.S. Pacific Command strategic deterrence and regional training missions.



strong, credible bomber force that enhances the security and stability of allies and partners around the globe.

The total bomber force came together via two separate operations, both which provide opportunities to train with regional partners and demonstrate a shared commitment to global security and stability.

Col. Charles Bailey, 8th Air Force deputy director for Plans. "Deployments like the ones to Guam focus unit training while allowing us to interact with our allies and partners right

there in the Pacific region.'

The B-2 is known for its low-observable or "stealth" characteristics and ability to penetrate highly sophisticated defenses while avoiding adversary detection. The aircraft is also able to fly at subsonic speeds, possesses a 7,000-mile

This is the first time in a decade B-1s will be based in the PACOM AOR, however both aircraft have a long historical role in the CBP missions and embody similar capabilities.

Lancers, also known as "Bones," are multi-role heavy bombers able to deliver long-range strikes, offer persistent presence and can carry up to 75,000 pounds of payload. And much like the B-52, it's not new to the battlefield.

"The B-1 force is coming back to the Pacific, bringing years of combat experience from Iraq and Afghanistan with them," Bailey said.

For the time being, examples of every strategic bomber will be seen operating from the same location within PACOM's AOR

But regardless of platform, "the Mighty Eighth will continue to provide combatant commanders the necessary tools to assure our allies, deter our adversaries and enhance regional security within the Indo-Asia-Pacific region," Clark said

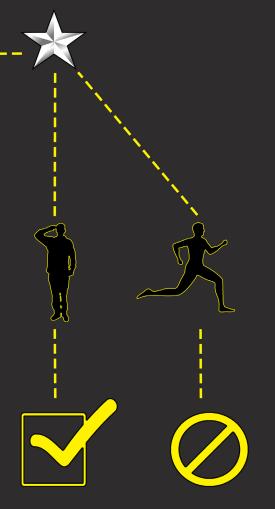
U.S. Air Force Airman 1st Class Chase Coleman, an entry controller with the 509th Security Forces Squadron from Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., stands guards at an entry control point Aug. 10, 2016 at Andersen Air Force Base, Guam. The United States maintains a

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509th AFE supports Continuous Bomber Presence







ANDERSEN AIR FORCE BASE, Guam -- U.S. Air Force Aircrew Flight Equipment technicians assigned to the 509th Operations Support Squadron from Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., conduct pre-checks on flight equipment at Andersen Air Force Base, Guam. The work of the AFE shop ensures the safety of the B-2 pilots and allows the bomber crews to maintain a high state of readiness and proficiency in demonstrating their ability to provide an always-ready global strike capability.

U.S. Air Force photos/Tech. Sgt. Miguel Lara



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THINK SAFETY

Striving for Five Star Service: Whiteman Family Homes Launches 2016 Housing Survey

By Maureen Omrod Whiteman Family Homes

At Whiteman Family Homes, our primary goal is to provide quality housing and outstanding customer service so that our residents have a positive and enjoyable experience living with us. Housing residents are currently being asked to give feedback on Whiteman Family Homes operations through the Resident Satisfaction Survey. The annual survey is an important part of our continuous improvement program that helps us analyze performance and make any necessary changes and enhancements, ensuring we consistently deliver quality service across all aspects of our community operations.

Our commitment to provide consistent and exceptional customer service is an objective that our team strives for every day. It is our goal to provide top-notch, fivestar service in every aspect of the resident housing experience.

Topics covered in the survey include resident experience with leasing, community management, maintenance and quality of the homes. All surveys are completely confidential and anonymous and residents are encouraged to provide open and honest insights.

"The Resident Satisfaction Survey allows us to see where we are excelling operationally and where there is room for

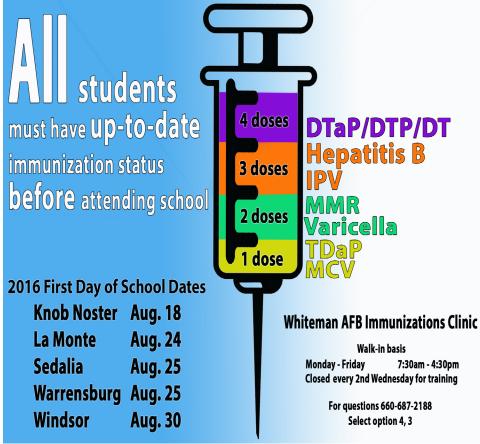


improvement," said Lynn Melin, the community manager for Whiteman Family Homes. "We encourage all residents to complete the survey so that we may better meet their needs as well as those of our future residents."

Throughout the month of September, there will be a variety of ways for residents to complete the survey. E-mail updates detailing survey events and deadlines will be sent to the all available e-mail addresses on a regular basis. Survey updates will also be posted on our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/WhitemanHomes. The final day for residents to complete their Resident Satisfaction Survey is September 30, 2016.

Thanks in advance to all housing residents for their participation in the survey process—we look forward to receiving your feedback.

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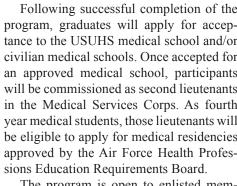
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JOINT BASE SAN ANTONIO-RAN-DOLPH, Texas (AFNS) -- Eligible enlisted Air Force Reserve, Air National Guard and active-duty Airmen interested in pursuing a medical degree must submit their intent to apply email by Oct. 7 and complete their application for the Enlisted to Medical Degree Preparatory Program by Dec. 9, Air Force Personnel Center officials said.

The EMDP2 offers enlisted members an opportunity to complete the preparatory coursework for admission to medical school while maintaining active duty status and full pay and benefits. The program, which incurs a three-year, active duty service commitment, includes coursework in a traditional classroom setting with structured pre-health advising and formal medical college admission test preparation, with classes slated to begin August 2017.

Airmen selected for the two-year program will transfer on permanent change of station orders to Bethesda, Maryland, where they will attend school full time at the Uniformed Services University of Health Sciences (USUHS), where tuition and associated academic costs will be funded by the Air Force.



The program is open to enlisted members from all Air Force specialty codes who meet eligibility criteria. Applicants must be younger than 35 as of June 30, 2017, have at least 36 months but no more than 10 years time-in-service as of Sept. 30, 2016, and have a Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree in any discipline from an accredited institution.

Full eligibility criteria and application guidelines for the program are available on myPers. Select "Any" from the dropdown menu and enter "EMDP2" in the search window.

For more information about Air Force personnel programs, go to the myPers website. Individuals who do not have a myPers account can request one by following the instructions on the Air Force Retirees Services website.



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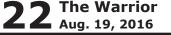
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- Provided by a Licensed Clinical Social Worker
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- Quicker access to appointments
- Short term treatment alternative to Mental Health



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