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Dear Families of the Class of 2011

On behalf of the faculty and staff of the United States Air Force Academy, please accept my heartfelt congratulations on your cadet's upcoming graduation! During the past 4 years at the Academy, these graduating cadets have faced many academic, athletic, military and personal challenges on their journey toward becoming leaders of character. Their success reflects great credit, not only on themselves, but also on you, family and friends who have been integral partners during this journey. I look forward to being on the platform in Falcon Stadium on 25 May 2011 as the members of our 53rd Graduating Class receive their diplomas and are commissioned as officers in the world's premier air, space and cyberspace force—the United States Air Force!



Graduation Week activities begin Thursday, 19 May, with the Outstanding Squadron Banquet and culminate Wednesday, 25 May, with the Graduation Ceremony and a dazzling performance by the Air Force Thunderbirds. Enclosed is information on Graduation Week events and activities that will help you take full advantage of this memorable occasion.

In addition to the public events offered during Graduation Week 2011, I would like to invite you and your guests to The Carlton House on Sunday, 22 May, for a private reception honoring the Brigadier General Robin Olds Class of 2011. My wife, Paula, and I look forward to hosting you and extending our personal congratulations to you and your cadet.

On behalf of the Secretary and Chief of Staff of the Air Force, thank you for the trust, dedication and patriotism you have shown by sending us your outstanding young men and women. It has been my distinct privilege to watch the members of the Class of 2011 grow into leaders of character.

Sincerely

MIKE GOULD, Lt Gen, USAF

Attachments:

Graduation Week Parent Information Package (includes Schedule of Events, Brochure, Base Passes, Invitation to Class Reception and Event Flyers)