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# **2017 Presidential Inaugural Events**

Opening Ceremony JAN. 19

Swearing-in Ceremony JAN. 20

Inaugural Speech, JAN. 20, 1200

Inaugural Parade, JAN. 20, 1430

Inaugural Galas/Balls, JAN. 20, 1900

National Prayer Service, JAN. 21

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## Dec UTA training and events schedule

Satu	ırda	y, Jan.	<b>14</b>
Start	Fnd	Event	

Start	End	Event	Location	POC	Phone
0900	1100	Medical Appointments ONLY (Profiles)	Bldg 3282, Room A14	SMSgt Lott	857-6615
0900	1200	End of Course Testing (EOC) - PME/CDCs	CE Bldg 3236 Room 121	SMSgt Zayas	857-3084
1200	1300	Chiefs Council Meeting	LRS Conference Room	CMSgt Thomas	857-3228
1300	1400	IDS Meeting	Bldg 3252, WCR	Maj Lee	857-6464
1330	1500	Green Dot Training	LRS Conference Room	Mrs. Owolabi	857-0090
Normal Hours of Operation					
0700	1200	Fitness Testing	East Fitness Center	SMSgt Brown	857-3997
0730	0830	Contemporary Service	CE Bldg 3236 Conf. Rm	Ch Lt Col Bowen	857-1032
0730	0830	Catholic Mass	LRS Conference Rm	Ch Lt Col Bowen	857-1032
0800	1600	Officer Boards	Bldg 3252, WCR	SMSgt Young	857-5449

Bldg 3282, Room A14

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LRS Conference Room

LRS Conference Rm

Sunday, Dec. 4

1100

1030

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Start	End	Event	Location	POC	Phone
1000	1200	DCNG A&D Cermeony- All Personnel	DC Armory	CMSgt Turner	857-2811
1300	1600	Wing Holiday Party	213 MXS, Hangar 9	MSgt Hayes	857-2989
1200	1600	Credentialing	213 MXS, Hangar 9	MSgt Clapper	857-3449

#### **Normal Hours of Operation**

1000 Medical Appointments

POSH/ HRE Training

Medical Walk-ins

Green Dot Training

0830	1500	CPTF Customer Service	Bldg. 3252	SMSgt Brown	857-0678
0830	1500	FSS Customer Service	Bldg. 3252	SMSgt A. Wilson	857-4012
0900	1500	Mobility and Clothing Issue	Bldg. 3212	MSgt Robinson	857-9316
0800	1400	CF Customer Service	Bldg. 3222	TSgt Barrios	857-0714
1000	1200	Walk-in Legal Assistance	Bldg. 3252	MSgt Blaser	857-5511

#### **Capital Guardian Announcements**

### 2017 Presidential Inauguration and Our Role

The District of Columbia National Guard will once again spearhead the National Guard's support to the Presidential Inauguration. The Joint Task Force-District of Columbia will lead a force of roughly 7,500 National Guard Soldiers and Airmen from about 40 states, territories and the District of Columbia. This support is at the request of local civilian authorities as well as our federal government agency partners. National Guard Soldiers and Airmen will be assisting local civilian authorities with traffic control, crowd management among other activities. This is to ensure that the hundreds of thousands of spectators are able to move around smoothly and safely before, during and after the inauguration events. The National Guard and in particular the District of Columbia National Guard routinely performs these types of missions during major events and is able to seamlessly integrate with our interagency partners.

Additionally, District of Columbia National Guard Soldiers and Airmen will march in the 58th Presidential Inaugural parade. This military ceremonial support by National Guardsmen dates back to 1798 when Gen. George Washington began his inaugural journey from Mount Vernon, Va. to New York City. Local militias joined his inaugural procession as it passed through towns along the route. Once Washington arrived in New York City, a presidential escort composed of members of the regular Army, local militia units (the modern-day National Guard), and Revolutionary War veterans accompanied him to Federal Hall for the presidential oath. The military and the National Guard has continued this tradition of inaugural support ever since.

## Connect with us!

Follow our social media webpages and visit our Joint Task Force- District of Columbia website for all your up-to-date coverage on the National Guard's role in the 2017 Presidential Inauguration

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Use and visit the hashtag #NG2017Inauguration for Presidential Inauguration photos and videos

# Questions & Answers



# 58<sup>th</sup> Presidential Inauguration

#### What is Joint Task Force-District of Columbia?

Established every four years at the direction of the Commanding General, District of Columbia National Guard, Joint Task Force-District of

Columbia (JTF-DC) is a National Guard organization that coordinates National Guard support to local and federal civilian authorities for the presidential inauguration. These civilian authorities include, but are not limited to, the U.S. Secret Service, U.S. Capitol Police and the D.C. Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency. JTF-DC also provides command and control for the thousands of National Guard citizen-Soldiers and Airmen from many supporting states and territories to support civilian authorities with traffic control, crowd management, transportation, and communication, medical and logistical support, among other duties at the request of civil authorities.

#### Why is the National Guard involved in the presidential inauguration?

The National Guard is the force of choice for supporting civilian agencies because of their unique role, which allows the National Guard to assist with crowd management and traffic control. Federal, active duty troops are prohibited by U.S. law from assisting local, state and federal law enforcement with crowd management or traffic control operations. The National Guard also has the personnel, training and expertise to assist with special security events such as the inauguration.

#### How many National Guard troops will participate?

Approximately 7,500 National Guard Soldiers and Airmen will participate in the 58th Presidential Inauguration. Guard members will join JTF-DC from about 40 states and territories including Delaware, the District of Columbia, Florida, Iowa, Massachusetts, Maryland, Mississippi, Montana, North Dakota, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Puerto Rico, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, Virgin Islands, West Virginia, and Wisconsin to name a few.

#### What functions will the National Guard be performing?

National Guard Soldiers and Airmen will provide a myriad of support to civil authorities during the inauguration to include crowd management for facilitating crowd direction and capacity and traffic control for maintaining flow of traffic in and around the Capitol, National Mall and White House. These functions are done in conjunction with our local and federal agencies to ensure better coverage in the goals of facilitating a safe and secure environment for all participants and attendees. Additionally, Guard members will support the primary mission behind the scenes with communications, logistical, medical and public affairs support. Many of our Soldiers and Airmen performed similar functions during the 2009 and 2013 inaugurations.

#### What agencies/organizations is the National Guard supporting?

Interagency cooperation is paramount to the success of the 2017 Presidential Inauguration. Historically, the National Guard has received requests for support from the D.C. Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency (DCH-SEMA), the D.C. Metropolitan Police Department (MPD), the D.C. Fire and Emergency Medical Service (DCFEMS), the D.C. Department of Transportation (DDOT), the U.S. Park Police, the U.S. Capital Police, the U.S. Secret Service, and the North American Airspace Defense Command (NORAD). The National Guard conducts extensive planning with its partners to ensure a consolidated, coordinated and effective approach for professional and timely presidential planning and execution of support to the 58th Presidential Inauguration.

#### Is the National Guard helping with the traffic outside of Washington, D.C.?

Approximately 2,000 Virginia and Maryland National Guard forces will support their states' law enforcement and transportation agencies in traffic management.

Will there any National Guard members be directly involved in the ceremonial events and celebration events? Several hundred National Guard members are preparing to provide ceremonial support to the 58th Presidential Inauguration. This support is traditionally comprised of marching units, and bands, color guards, salute batteries, and honor cordons.

#### Are there limits to the National Guard's participation in the inaugural events?

The National Guard will remain ready, reliable, essential and accessible to be called upon by civilian authorities to provide assistance as requested.

#### Will the National Guard members be armed?

No. Arming our National Guard Soldiers and Airmen is beyond the scope of this Joint Task Force's mission. Our primary objective is to provide support to local authorities performing details such as crowd management and traffic control. The security for visitors to Washington, D.C. for the inauguration is the ultimate responsibility of the D.C. Metropolitan Police Department, the U.S. Park Police and the U.S. Secret Service. The public's safety is given the highest consideration.

#### Are other military components providing support?

The Joint Task Force-National Capital Region (JTF-NCR) is responsible for ceremonial support, including the parade. As a National Special Security Event (NSSE), military personnel often provide a variety of unique capabilities that help ensure a safe and secure environment. For operations security, contact the U.S. Secret Service.

#### Why is the military working with the U.S. Secret Service?

The U.S. Secret Service has been identified as the lead federal agency for the inauguration and as part of the federal team in the National Capital Region, the National Guard is often involved in the planning of potential consequence management operations for possible contingencies during such events. The preparation for a NSSE is a cooperative effort among federal, state and local agencies.

#### How is the military prepared for an incident should one occur?

In the unlikely event of a large-scale incident during the 2017 inaugural, we have prepared contingency plans in cooperation with civil authorities, to respond as appropriate. The National Guard stands ready to assist, as requested, should an incident occur.

#### Is the National Guard prepared for such large-scale events?

The National Guard was an active participant in the 2009 and 2013 inaugurations. National Guard Soldiers and Airmen will perform similar functions as they did then, which were the largest inaugurations in American history. Additionally, the National Guard is ready, trained and equipped to assist civil authorities as needed. In 2016 alone, the National Guard provided a similar type of support to the Papal visit, the Nuclear Security Summit, the opening of the National Museum of African American History and Culture and other high-visibility events held in Washington, D.C.

#### Do military Special Forces play a security role?

No. Civilian law enforcement officers are responsible for the safety and security of the public during the inaugural events. The National Guard plays a supporting role to civilian agencies, primarily providing crowd management, traffic control and other functions as requested by civil authorities. The primary agency for security for the inauguration is the U.S. Secret Service.

#### What is the Armed Forces Inaugural Committee and what is its mission?

Established every four years at the direction of the Secretary of Defense, the Armed Forces Inaugural Committee (AFIC) is a joint service organization that coordinates military ceremonial participation and support of inaugural events, as compared to the National Guard's support to civilian authorities. AFIC falls under the command of Joint Forces Headquarters National Capital Region (JFHQ-NCR) that, in turn, falls under USNORTHCOM as the combatant command.

# Platoon of 'youth journalists' prep for Inauguration Day

By Tech. Sgt. Arthur Mondale Wright 113th Public Affairs

On Jan. 20 people from around the globe will witness President-elect Donald J. Trump be sworn in as the 45th President of the United States. They will also witness the integral role 13,000 members of the U.S. military will serve in the operation; approximately 5,000 Joint Task Force-National Capital Region (JTF-NCR) members will serve in a ceremonial role, an additional 8,000 members of the National Guard will serve in both security and logistic capacities.

In additional to local, national and international journalists who will document Inauguration Day from start to finish, there are over a dozen "youth journalists" — middle and high school students — who are just as eager to inform the viewing public on-air and online.

They are part of the District of Columbia National Guard Youth Journalists program, which for the first time will participate in covering a presidential inauguration. It's a joint collaboration between the D.C. National Guard's Family Programs and the University of the District of Columbia 4-H Extension. Every weekend, since mid-November, eager pre-teens and teens have been instructed on news reporting specifically for broadcast and digital platforms.

"They're going to be interviewing people who are coming from different parts of the country who have a very important job to do — that in itself requires heavy training in the art of storytelling," said Diego Lahaye, 4-H Extension Agent for the University of the District of Columbia, whose background includes a decade in both broadcast and mass communication industries.

"Journalism is not just about having fun and asking random questions, since day one it's been imperative that our junior reporters fully understand why they're at the Presidential Inauguration," Lahaye said. "We have spent week's focusing on the why — and brainstorming how to sharpen their nose for news and how to present it through good story telling. I'm looking forward to them putting the training into action."



At center, Marco Feligioni, a University of the District of Columbia 4-H volunteer and architect student, shows junior journalists within the District of Columbia National Guard Youth Journalists program how to effectively shoot images and record video using both a still camera and an iPad. (Photo by Army Staff Sgt. Aimee Fujikawa)



Members of the District of Columbia National Guard Youth Journalists program learn the principles of effectively shooting images using a digital camera Nov. 19, 2016 at the D.C. Armory. Over a dozen middle school and high school students have been credentialed to cover the military's role in the Presidential Inauguration Jan. 20. (Photo by Army Staff Sgt. Aimee Fujikawa)

#### **Capital Guardian Feature**

Assisting Lahaye over the last three months is Army Staff Sgt. Aimee Fujikawa, a D.C. National Guard broadcaster. In addition to story pitching and enterprising, Fujikawa and Lahaye have instructed students on journalism ethics, interviewing principles and how to effectively shoot images and record video using both a still camera and an iPad. Moreover, the individual roles required for a news operation both in front of the camera and behind the scenes.

"My daughter wants to be a director when she grows up and what better way to hone her skills than by participating in the Presidential Inauguration — a part of history that people aren't guaranteed access to automatically all the time," said Army Sgt. Sherry Hill, a member of the DC National Guard whose daughter was one of the few finalists chosen to participate in the program out of hundreds of applicants.

Also honing her skills is Angelina Nketia-Akonnor, who is in the 7th-grade and will serve as an on-air reporter.

"I've been so nervous," she said. "When there's a camera in front of you — you really feel the pressure — I've learned reporting on-air requires getting used to it. But I wouldn't miss this opportunity especially since I'm considering a career as a journalist."

Whereas Mikaile Sowell, an 8th-grader who plans to serve as a field producer on Inauguration Day, is more anxious than nervous, she said.

"It's been a great experience to conduct pre-interviews with the individual troops and to learn more about their role in the inauguration," Sowell said.

Sowell, like other junior journalists in the cohort led and conducted pre-interviews with Army Brig. Gen. Renwick L. Payne, the Adjutant General of the District of Columbia Army National Guard and Capt. Aaron Gadbois, D.C. Air National Guard Logistics officer-in-charge, in preparation for the big day. Both men were appreciative of the young journalist's dedication to mastering the role of informing the public on the National Guards significance and mission on Jan. 20. Moreover, their individual commitment and what it signifies to the much larger global audience.

"Some young viewer [around the world] will be 10, 11, 12 or 13-years-old and will see a junior journalist covering the most important thing in our nation — the peaceful transition of power from one president to the next," Payne said. "[These] young journalists represent the continuation [of democracy]."

(Right) From left, Mikaile Sowell, an 8th-grader who plans to serve as a news producer on Inauguration Day, does a pre-interview with Capt. Aaron Gadbois, D.C. Air National Guard Logistics officer-in-charge for the Joint Task Force-National Capital Region (JTF-NCR) Jan. 7 at the D.C. Armory. Sowell is one of over a dozen members of the first ever District of Columbia National Guard Youth Journalists program, tapped to cover the Presidential Inauguration. (Photo by Army Staff Sgt. Aimee Fujikawa)



Brig. Gen. Renwick L. Payne, the Adjutant General of the District of Columbia Army National Guard is interviewed by a member of the District of Columbia National Guard Youth Journalists program, a joint collaboration between the D.C. National Guard's Family Programs and the University the District of Columbia 4-H Extension Jan. 7 at the D.C. Armory. (Photo by Army Staff Sgt. Aimee Fujikawa)

