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The Opening Ceremony is a spectacular event displaying the Old Guard Fife and Drum Corps, The Army Drill Team, and The Army Band (Pershing's Own). This event sets the stage for the foundations of tradition and custom for our next class of strategic leaders.



The Opening Ceremony will be conducted on the historic Indian Field, on Aug. 12, 2016 at 4 p.m., with the Old Guard Honor Platoons marching onto the field and the Armed Forces Color Guard. After the “Presentation of the Command” and “Sound Off,” Retreat is conducted.



The event is the Army’s formal welcome to the senior military students and families who will reside in the Carlisle area for the next year. The

Army War College class of 2017 of 382. Includes U.S. military officers of the Army, Navy, Marine, Air Force and Coast Guard; senior civilians who work for federal agencies associated with national security, and international officers representing 70 nations.

This event is open to the public and great opportunity see the Army’s premier marching bands without traveling to Washington D.C.