

Commanding General of Futures Command to speak at War College graduation

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The graduation ceremony of the Army War College Resident Class of 2023 is scheduled for Friday, June 9, at 9 a.m. at the Wheelock Bandstand on Carlisle Barracks historic parade ground. This year's graduating class consists of 371 Graduates, including 220 Army officers, 6 Navy, 23 Air Force, 14 Marines, 1 Coast Guard, 4 Space Force, 27 Civilians, and 76 International Fellows.

The keynote speaker for this year's graduation is Gen. James E. Rainey, the Commanding General of United States Army Futures Command, located in Austin TX.

Everyone is welcome to attend the ceremony. Enter Carlisle Barracks at 870 Jim Thorpe Rd, Carlisle 17013. Recommend arrival no later than 8:30 a.m. See planning details below.

If you can't attend, you can watch it live, online, at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zWrgCqzo8OU>.

Graduates and families Students must be in seats by 8:30 a.m.; family and guests should plan to arrive with them or at about that time.

Before the ceremony: pre-ceremony performance by The Carlisle Town Band.

Enter Carlisle Barracks at Claremont Visitors Gate and follow Special Event signs to parking.

An on-base shuttle, 7:30 - 8:45 a.m., and following the ceremony will move guests from parking areas to parade ground. Resident students should leave their vehicles and their guests at home and ride the shuttle bus unless handicap parking is required.

Those with disabilities or unable to walk distances will find seating at "Quarters Two." Parking attendants will direct the driver to the handicapped lot.

Bags are subject to security checks at the entry to the parade field. In case of inclement weather, the ceremony will take place in Bliss Hall Auditorium which seats students only. All guests will be able to watch on large screens in seminar rooms and other selected rooms; students will guide guests to the assigned location. The ceremony will be lived streamed at www.armywarcollege.edu/live so family and friends may watch from any location.

Following graduation, the Root Hall Alumni Gift Shop will be open.

Uniform and what to expect.

The uniform for those graduating will be service dress uniform or equivalent with no headgear for military between 7:30 and 11:30 a.m. -- business attire for civilians.

A weather call will be made no later than 7 a.m. the day of graduation.

Water will be provided on site, and sunscreen and/or hats are recommended for the sunny location.

Please remember, there's no smoking, no selfie sticks, backpacks, coolers, or pets at the ceremony.

Restrooms for guests are in the Thorpe Gvm: porta johns will be situated at

the rear of the ceremony site.

Shortly after the start of the ceremony at 9 a.m., The Pennsylvania Army National Guard 108th Field Artillery will fire cannons on Indian Field in an honorary salute.

Once the commencement speaker's address is complete, every student will cross the stage – and professional photos of every student will be available at www.flickr.com/photos/usawc by Monday June 13th. Guests are welcome to take pictures throughout the ceremony, as well, and a photo area near the stage is open for family/friends' photo-taking.

Find same-day video excerpts at www.youtube.com/usarmywarcollege. The full ceremony video will be at that site by Monday.

Employees, residents, parking and planning

Dunham Clinic will be open on Thursday, June 9, from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. for patient care and closed June 10 from 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. (including the pharmacy), reopening at 1 p.m. and closing at 4:30 p.m.

Residents on Garrison Lane are asked to park their cars in garages, if possible.

Faculty and Staff who work in Anne Ely, or usually park in the Anne Ely parking lot, are asked to park in DES or Chapel lots.

Garrison Lane from Ashburn Drive to Guardhouse Lane will become a one-way street 7 a.m. to noon.

Liberal leave is encouraged for personnel of the Army War College not involved in the graduation ceremony to maximize parking, with supervisor approval.

Faculty and Staff who usually park in the 314/315 lot, along Lovell Ave. and along Forbes Ave. in front of Building 122 can park along Letort Lane below the 314/315 lot, along Letort Lane between Barry Drive and Butler Rd. (temporary parking will be identified along the drive) or in the Collins Hall lots.