Parking and Traffic

Vehicle access and parking on the Yard is extremely limited. Drivers without Department of Defense ID cards are not permitted to drive on the Naval Academy grounds. Vehicle access may be further restricted to staff and residents during limited time frames in support of special Commissioning Week events; notice will be promulgated separately. Parking restrictions are strictly enforced in red curb zones. Only official vehicles may park by white curbing. The speed limit on USNA is 15 miles per hour or as posted.

Park at the Stadium - Take the Shuttle to USNA
Parking will be provided at the Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium. Families of 1/C midshipmen will be given one parking tag (rear view mirror type) that must be displayed for free parking at the stadium on the day of graduation. All other visitors must pay the daily parking fee ($10/car). All Commissioning Week parking will be on the Blue (West) Side of the stadium, with entry and egress through Gate #5 on Taylor Avenue. No overnight parking is permitted. On Graduation Day (May 24), parking is free for those with graduation tickets, on a first-come, first-served basis. Parking gates open at 6:30 a.m. Stadium gates and concession stands open to guests at 7 a.m. on Graduation Day.

Shuttle Bus Schedule
Shuttle buses will operate to and from the Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium and USNA during the following times:
- Sunday - Wednesday: Inbound to Yard 7 a.m. - 5 p.m. (Last shuttle back to Stadium 9 p.m.)
- Thursday: Inbound to Yard 7 a.m. - 5 p.m. (Last shuttle back to Stadium 8 p.m.)

Stadium Gates—Graduation Day
All gates in the stadium open at 7 a.m., with the exception of Gate D which opens at 6 a.m. for press only. At 7 a.m., Gate D will become an entry gate like all others.

The Gold Side of the stadium contains gates M, N, O, P

The Blue Side of the stadium contains gates A, B, C, D

Accessibility Information
Wheelchair accessible seating at the Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium can be accessed by utilizing the ramps located adjacent to Sections 8 and 25.

Handicapped visitors may bring vehicles onto USNA with handicapped plates or placards; vehicles will be searched before access is granted.

Prohibited Items

**Weapons:**
- Firearms
- Air Guns
- Stun Guns
- Paint Ball Guns
- Concealed Weapons
- Explosives /烟火
- Archery Equipment

**Knives:**
- Knife w/blade over 3" in length
- Knife (switchblade) or any knife which opens automatically with pressure applied to button, spring or other mechanism in the handle of the knife
- DIRK/DAGGER
- Knife (butterfly)

**Miscellaneous:**
- Metal Knuckles
- Baton or Truncheon (also called a cosh, billystick, billy club, nightstick, sap, blackjack, stick)
- Martial Arts Equipment (not limited to: throwing stars, nunchaku or nunchucks, swords)
- Archery Equipment
- Sand Club
- Other: Drones, Bags large than a typical purse, Coolers, Boxes

**NOTE:** Anything not listed that Security Forces/Police deemed prejudicial to the safety and security of the USNA and its personnel

General Rules
Roller skating/blading is not allowed on Naval Academy grounds. Only service animals may be brought on Academy grounds during Commissioning Week. Possessing and consuming alcohol on Academy grounds is prohibited, except at USNA-sponsored events. Picnicking on the Naval Academy’s ceremonial grounds is prohibited. The USNA Cemetery on Hospital Point should not be used as a transit or viewing area for Commissioning Week events.

Security Information
All persons over 18 are required to present a valid U.S. Government-issued photo ID or passport to enter into the Naval Academy and all personnel and vehicles are subject to search. Guests are permitted to bring daypacks, diaper bags, camera cases, and purses. Larger bags and large coolers are prohibited. All bags are subject to search; weapons and alcoholic beverages are prohibited.

Parking and Traffic

2024 USNA Commissioning Week Schedule of Events & Information

**Hours and Information**

**The Armel-Leftwich Visitor Center and Tours**
(410-293-TOUR (8687)) usnabscd.com/for-visitor
- Open daily 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Closings at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 24
- Tours are given Monday - Thursday 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., Friday - Saturday 9:30 a.m. - 3 p.m., and Sunday 12-3 p.m.

**Naval Academy Gift Shop**
(410-293-8125) Shop 247 at www.navyonline.com
The Naval Academy Gift Shop is located in the Visitor Center.
- Open daily 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. Closings at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 24
- Midshipmen and their parents receive a 10% discount at the Gift Shop. All sales are tax exempt and shipping services are available.

**The Naval Academy Museum**
(410-293-2108)
Special hours during Commissioning Week:
- Monday - Saturday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., and Sunday 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.

**The Midshipmen Store**
(410-293-2392)
Special hours during Commissioning Week:
- Saturday, May 20 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. and Sunday, May 21, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
- Monday - Thursday, May 22 - 25, 7:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.
- Friday, May 26, 7:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.
- Saturday, May 27, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
- Authorized patrons only. Parents/guardians and midshipman families are authorized but must present shopping cards or special Commissioning Week name tags.

**Dining on The Yard**

**The Naval Academy Club (NAC)** will offer special hours and permit families of graduating midshipmen to dine during Commissioning Week: Monday - Thursday, May 21-25, 11 a.m. - 9 p.m. Dinner service weekdays 5 - 9 p.m. Reservations are suggested for dinner and may be made at 410-293-2632. Dress code standards (no cut-offs, flip-flops, etc.) apply when visiting the NAC.

**1845 Coffee Shop** Enjoy your favorite coffee beverage or smoothie and grab a quick salad or wrap for a delicious lunch on the go! Serving Ceremony Coffee Roasters coffee and freshly baked goods.

**1845 Gatehouse Hours:**
- Saturday and Sunday, May 20-21 8 a.m. - 3 p.m
- Monday - Thursday, May 22-25 7 a.m. - 2 p.m.
- Friday, May 26 7 a.m. - 11 a.m
- Saturday, May 27 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.
- *Open until after the Blue Angels conclude*

**1845 Midstore Hours:**
- Saturday, May 20 9 a.m. - 4 p.m
- Sunday, May 21 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
- Monday - Thursday, May 22-25 7:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.
- Friday, May 26 7:30 a.m. - 4 a.m.
- Saturday, May 27 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

**Scan Code**
for gate hours and up to date commissioning week information.

**Ticketing Information**
Tickets for Commissioning Week musical events are on sale through MWF Ticket Office at 410-293-8497 or http://navyperforms.showare.com
**Friday May 17, 2024**


**Saturday May 18, 2024**

6 p.m. US Naval Academy Band Armed Forces Day Concert, Zimmerman Bandstand, B, F, G.
7 p.m. Class of 2025 Ring Dance, Dahlgren Hall.

**Sunday May 19, 2024**

8 a.m. Morning Colors, T-Court, B, G.
8:15 a.m. Liturgical Protestant Service, St. Andrew’s Chapel, B, F, G.
8:30 a.m. Catholic Baccalaureate Mass, Main Chapel, B, G, Informal.
11 a.m. Protestant Baccalaureate Worship Service, Main Chapel, B, G, Informal.
Noon - 12:30 p.m. USNA Band Chapel Walkway Concert, Zimmerman Bandstand, B, G.
Noon - 3 p.m. Yard Patrol Craft Static Displays, Dewey Seawall, B, F.
2 - 4 p.m. N* Reception, 16 Porter Road, Designated Midshipmen & Guests.
3 - 4:30 p.m. Superintendent’s Reception for Class of 2024 & 4 guests per midshipman (1st - 3rd Co), Buchanan House Gardens.
5 - 6:30 p.m. Superintendent’s Reception for Class of 2024 & 4 guests per midshipman (4th - 6th Co), Buchanan House Gardens.
7 - 8:30 p.m. Superintendent’s Reception for Class of 2024 & 4 guests per midshipman (7th - 10th Co), Buchanan House Gardens.

**Monday May 20, 2024**

8 a.m. Morning Colors, T-Court, B, G.
8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Yard Patrol Craft Static Displays, Dewey Seawall, B, F.
8 - 9:30 a.m. Engineering & Weapons Division Awards Ceremony, Mahan Hall, *2024 (Desig), F, Informal.
10 - 11 a.m. Midshipmen Community Service Awards Ceremony, Memorial Hall.
1 - 2 p.m. Commandant of Midshipmen Awards Ceremony, Mahan Hall.
3 - 4:30 p.m. Superintendent’s Reception for Class of 2024 & 4 guests per midshipman (11th - 14th Co), Buchanan House Gardens.
5 - 6:30 p.m. Superintendent’s Reception for Class of 2024 & 4 guests per midshipman (15th - 18th Co), Buchanan House Gardens.
7 - 8:30 p.m. Superintendent’s Reception for Class of 2024 & 4 guests per midshipman (19th - 22nd Co), Buchanan House Gardens.

**Tuesday May 21, 2024**

8 a.m. Morning Colors - Silent Drill Team Performance, T-Court, B, G.
8 - Noon Yard Patrol Craft Static Displays, Dewey Seawall, B, F.
9 a.m. USMC 8th and I Silent Drill Platoon and Drum and Bugle Corps Performance, Worden Field
10 - 11:45 a.m. USMC Family Orientation/Awards Ceremony, Alumni Hall, *2024 (USMC Sel), F, Informal.
10:45 a.m. USNA (Route 450) Bridge Closure. Opens at the end of the Blue Angels Flight Rehearsal.
11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Blue Angels Circle & Arrival, Severn River, B, G.
11 a.m. - 4 p.m. USNA Gates Closed to Incoming Vehicular Traffic.
12:50 - 1:20 p.m. Weekday Catholic Mass, St. Andrew’s Chapel, B, G.
12:50 - 1:20 p.m. Provost’s Award for Academic Excellence by Varsity Athletic Team, Mahan Hall, *B (Desig), F, Informal.
5 - 8 p.m. Protestant Service, Laboon Center.

**Graduation Day- Friday May 24, 2024**

6:30 a.m. Parking Gates Open, Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium.
7 a.m. Stadium Gates and Concessions Open to Guests, Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium, F.
9 a.m. Graduate & Faculty Procession, Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium, *B, F, Informal, Tickets required.
10 a.m. Class of 2024 Graduation Ceremony, Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium (weather alt. Alumni Hall for those with Indoor Graduation tickets only), *B, F, Informal, Tickets required.
10:04 a.m. Blue Angels Graduation Fly-Over, Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium, B, F.
1 - 2:30 p.m. Graduation Photos & Swearing-In Ceremony, Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium, 2024, F, Informal.
1 p.m. Inter-Service Commissioning Ceremonies in the N* Room

**USNA Key for Participation**

* - Mandatory
F - Invited Guests of Co2024
G - General Public
Desig - Designated
T - Tentative
S - Faculty and Staff
B - All Midn

**Guest Attire Guidelines**

Informal and Casual for military members women and men:
Navy—Summer White
USMC—Dress Blue Delta
Officers of other services wear the corresponding uniform of their service

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**Wednesday May 22, 2024**

8 a.m. Morning Colors, T-Court, B, G.
8 - 10 a.m. Yard Patrol Craft Static Displays, Dewey Seawall, B, F.
10 - 11:30 a.m. Humanities & Social Sciences Division Awards Ceremony, Memorial Hall, 2024 (Design), B, F, Informal.
10:30 a.m. - Noon Mathematics & Science Division Awards Ceremony, Mahan Hall, 2024 (Design), B, F, Informal.
10:45 a.m. USNA (Route 450) Bridge Closure for Blue Angels Circle and Arrival (Weather alternate only).
11 a.m. - 4 p.m. USNA Gates Closed to Incoming Vehicular Traffic.
12:05 - 12:15 p.m. Noon Meal Formation/Brigade Change of Command Ceremony, T-Court, B, F, G.
12:30 p.m. USNA Drum & Bugle Corps Performance. Radford Terrace, B, G.
12:50 - 1:20 p.m. Weekday Catholic Mass, St. Andrew’s Chapel, B, G.
1 p.m. U.S. Navy Band Blues & Gold Concert, Hospital Point, B, G (no tickets required).
1:45 p.m. USNA (Route 450) Bridge Closure. Opens at the end of the Blue Angels Flight Demonstration.
2 p.m. Blue Angels Flight Demonstration, Severn River, B, G, Casual.
4 p.m. Commissioning Week Organ Concert by Monte Maxwell, Main Chapel, B, F, G. (Tickets required)
7:30 - 11 p.m. Graduation Ball, Dahlgren Hall, B, F, G.

**Thursday May 23, 2024**

8 a.m. Morning Colors, T-Court, B, G.
8 - 4 p.m. Yard Patrol Craft Static Displays, Dewey Seawall, B, F.
10:45 am-12:15 p.m. Vehicle Access to Worden Field via Gate 8 Restricted in support of the Color Parade.
11 a.m. Color Parade, Worden Field, *B, G. Please do not walk or sit on the field before or during the parade. Tickets required for bleacher seating. Weather alt. Wesley A. Brown Field House, 2024 (Desig), F (Desig) (tickets required for Wesley Brown Field House. Attendance limited to Color Company guests).
12:50 - 1:20 p.m. Weekday Catholic Mass, St. Andrew’s Chapel, B, G.
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