

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY BRAVO BATTERY, 1ST BATTALION, 19TH FIELD ARTILLERY 5960 ROTHWELL STREET FORT SILL, OKLAHOMA, 73503



Dear Family and Friends:

Greetings from the Fires Center of Excellence, Fort Sill, Oklahoma, home of the Field Artillery. The Trainees of Bravo Battery are proving their toughness every day. They have become more knowledgeable, motivated, and fit to be an American Soldier. We are coming to the end of the training, and now it is time to look forward to graduation. The last graduation requirement is the FORGE and happens in week seven. Remember, no news is good news! Your Trainee will be allowed to call home and communicate their status to you. There is no need to call asking for the information.

Graduation ceremonies will begin promptly at 9:30 a.m., Thursday, June 16, at the Fort Sill Polo Field. You will access the Post through Key Gate West. We highly recommend that guests carpool to mitigate limited parking. We encourage families to bring chairs, coolers (no alcohol), and blankets for post-graduation activities. We also suggest keeping up with Oklahoma weather that week and plan to bring warm clothing.

If inclement weather occurs, we will conduct indoor graduation at the Cache Creek Chapel Complex or the Sheridan Theater at 10:30 a.m. or 1:00 p.m. (times dependent on number of Batteries graduating that day due to space restrictions). If the graduation ceremony moves indoors, only two family members over age 13 are authorized to attend. Children 12 and under are welcome to attend. Please arrive before the start time of the graduation ceremony. If we have additional space, we will allow more guests.

Following graduation, you will be given the opportunity to sign your new graduate out for the day to visit in the Lawton Fort Sill Area. They are not to travel more than 30 miles from Fort Sill and must be back to the BATTERY AREA no later than 8:00 p.m. that same evening. Bravo Battery, 1-19th FA BN is located at B Wing, Building 5960, at 5960 Rothwell Street. Failure to have your graduate back by that time may result in non-judicial punishment and/or revocation of their subsequent Family Day pass the following day on June 17th.

Your graduate will only wear their Class B uniform while on pass; civilian clothes are not authorized. While on pass, please ensure your Trainee maintains their military bearing during their time with you. They are no longer only representing themselves,

but this unit, Fort Sill, the United States Army, and the nation. Do not purchase contraband items for your Trainee, or allow your Trainee to purchase, or consume, these items while on the pass. These items include but are not limited to tobacco products, drugs, alcohol, electronics, body spray, perfume, body piercing, tattoos, and pornographic material. Do not allow your Trainee to drive any vehicles, regardless if they have a valid driver's license. Do not use a cell phone while driving on the installation. Your Trainee is not allowed to use their cell phones while walking in uniform. Do not take your Trainee to any casinos. All Trainees will be held accountable for their actions. Do not allow them to be caught breaking this briefed prohibited activities.

Family Day will occur Friday, June 17th, at Destroyer Park, directly across from the Ft. Sill Conference Center. You will access the Post through Key Gate East, and park in the Ft. Sill Conference Center parking lot. Gates will open for access at 7:00 a.m. After the Promotion and Award Ceremony at 7:30 a.m., you be able to sign your graduate out on a day pass at 8:00 a.m., but they must be back to the BATTERY AREA by 1:00 p.m., that same day. Bravo Battery, 1st Battalion, 19th Field Artillery Drill Pad is located at B Wing, Building 5960, at 5960 Rothwell Street. This is to ensure that all graduates efficiently and quickly ship to their Advance Individual Training at numerous location around the nation. The same rules for previous day pass remain in effect. FAMILY TRAVEL TO AIT IS NOT AUTHORIZED.

The purpose of Family and Graduation Day is to recognize the accomplishments of your graduate by conducting safe graduation ceremonies while maintaining COVID-19 protocol safeguards. All updated information can be found on the Battery Facebook page. Your Trainee will also be able to call with any updated information. We look forward to meeting you and hope you can attend your Trainee's graduation. Welcome to the Army Team. Thank you for your continued support!

Very Respectfully,

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