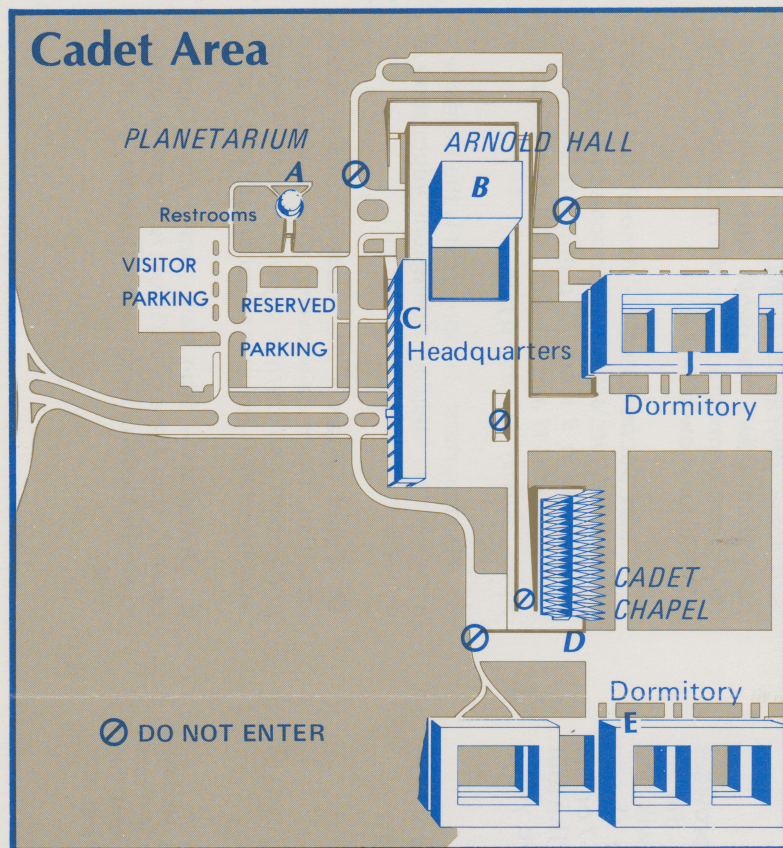


Welcome to the United States Air Force Academy

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Cadet Area



Special Instructions

- The Air Force Academy is open to the general public 6 a.m. - 5 p.m.
- Please park only in designated areas.
If you must stop where there is no parking, please pull completely off the road.
- Speed limits are posted and enforced with radar.
- Check your vehicle's gas supply before proceeding.
There are no public service stations on the Academy.
- Altitude at the Visitor Center is 6340 feet; at the Cadet Chapel it is 7280 feet.
If you experience difficulty breathing, please take your time and rest often.
- Watch for deer and other animals on the roads. The Academy is a game refuge.
If oncoming cars flash their headlights, it probably means deer are on the road ahead.

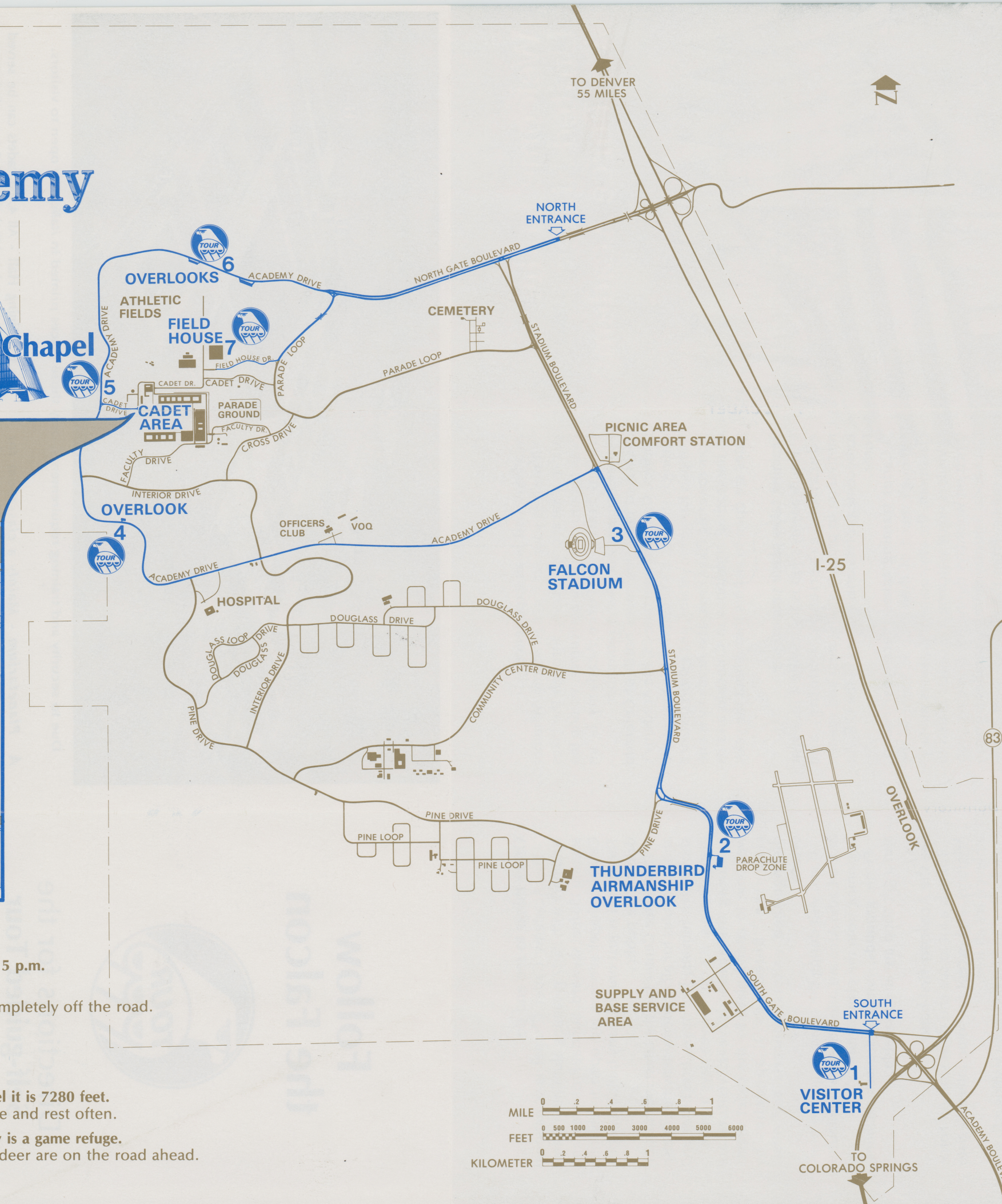
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Self-guided Tour

Points of Interest:

- 1 Visitor Center**
Open 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Academy displays, gift shop, restrooms, public telephone.
- 2 Thunderbird Airmanship Overlook**
Offers view of flying activities, displays on Academy airmanship programs and USAF Thunderbirds.
- 3 Falcon Stadium**
- 4 Overlook**
Excellent photo point, nature trail.
- 5 Cadet Area & Chapel**
Chapel normally open Monday - Saturday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., Sunday 1-5 p.m. (except during worship services and special events). Closed for five days around graduation.
- 6 North Overlooks**
Excellent photo point.
- 7 Field House**
Athletic building, open 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.



Personnel Locator, call 472-4262
Cadet Locator, call 472-2910

Follow the Falcon



Directions for the Self-guided Tour

The Falcon route shown on this map provides an enjoyable and informative tour of the Air Force Academy. Along the roads you will find distinctive Falcon signs like the one shown above. Follow them in sequence from 1-7 or 7-1, depending upon which gate you enter. The tour will take about 2½ hours and will give you a complete look at the Academy.

Please obey traffic signs and
park only in designated areas.

PLEASE NOTE

The Academy is an active military training facility. Please do not go into closed areas, especially those marked with signs saying "No visitors beyond this point." Some examples are the **dorms, airfield** and **quadrangle** in the middle of the Cadet Area.



Due to security and training requirements, only those places printed in *italics* are open to visitors.

A Planetarium - *Mainly a classroom for astronomy, physics and navigation classes, the planetarium offers free public shows periodically. Public restrooms are below the front steps. Call 472-2555 for show schedule.*

B Cadet Social Center - *Arnold Hall houses historical exhibits, a theater, restrooms and cafeteria. Building open 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., cafeteria hours Monday-Friday 11 a.m. - 1 p.m., Saturday 11 a.m. - 5 p.m., Sunday 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.*

C Headquarters - *Harmon Hall is the Academy's administration building. Admissions information is available in Room 203.*

D Cadet Chapel - *The Academy's most visited attraction. Open daily except for the week after graduation and during special events. Sunday worship services are open to visitors at 9 and 11 a.m.*

E Dormitory - *Sijan Hall, named after Captain Lance P. Sijan, Class of 1965, first Academy graduate to win the Medal of Honor. Home to cadet squadrons 25-40.*

F Dining Hall - *All 4,400 cadets can be served simultaneously in Mitchell Hall's 1.6 acre dining area.*

G Academics Building - *Fairchild Hall houses 305 classrooms, lecture halls, labs, computer center and faculty offices.*

H Parade Ground - *Scene of cadet wing parades on some Saturday mornings and special occasions.*

I Library - *Its collection of more than 500,000 volumes covers the research and reading needs of cadets, faculty and staff.*

J Dormitory - *Vandenberg Hall, the original dorm, houses squadrons 1-24 and their support activities.*

K Cadet Field House - *Setting for two of the Academy's most popular spectator sports: ice hockey and basketball. Also features an indoor football field, a 1/6-mile track, snack bar and gift shop (in the summer). Call 472-1895 for ticket information.*

L Gymnasium - *Primarily for physical education classes and intramural sports, the gym is frequently the scene of large sports contests.*

Welcome to the United States Air Force Academy

Academy visit is an experience

It really is your Air Force Academy. Whether you're a vacationer passing through the Pikes Peak region, or an area newcomer, visiting the United States Air Force Academy is an experience you will always remember.

Located just a few miles north of Colorado Springs, Colo., off Interstate-25, the Academy's setting is striking. It's situated at the base of the Rampart Range mountains, just a short distance from towering Pikes Peak. The Academy is one of the leading attractions in Colorado and its gates are open to visitors throughout the year.

Training takes place year-round

The Academy's job is to provide a four-year education, experience, training, and motivation to prepare young men and women to become professional officers in the U.S. Air Force.

Cadet training takes place year-round. Although much of their time is spent in the classroom, the environment is always military.

Visitors enjoy watching the cadets march to lunch on weekdays during the academic year. Occasional Saturday morning parades are open to the public. From the overlook west of the airfield on Southgate Blvd., you may watch parachuting, soaring and powered flight.

Sports are always in the spotlight

Sports buffs will find the Academy complete with 125 acres of athletic fields, a multi-million dollar field house, 47,000-seat football stadium and 41 men's and women's teams in 19 intercollegiate sports. Visitors are welcome to all Academy sporting events and many are free.

An Academy football game is a unique experience. Cadets marching, the Drum and Bugle Corps playing and the falcon mascots performing at halftime enhance the excitement of major college football against NCAA Division I rivals.

Other things to see and do

The Academy Cadet Chapel is a national landmark with its 17 gleaming aluminum spires soaring 150 feet skyward. Sunday Protestant and Catholic chapel services are open to visitors. The chapel is just one of many buildings open daily to the public.

The Visitor Center has the latest information and schedules for all Academy activities. It also shows free movies, has maps, brochures and many displays. It's open seven days a week.

During the academic year, visitors are welcome to attend plays by the cadet drama club (the "Bluebards"), speeches by distinguished visitors, concerts and other events.

If you visit during the summer, guided tours of the Cadet Area are offered every 30 minutes beginning from the planetarium.

Picnic grounds, lunch and snack facilities, and a gift shop are also available.

See the Academy first-hand

There is a lot to see and do at your Air Force Academy, and except for some intercollegiate athletics, it's all free.

Probably your best reason for visiting is to see first-hand the institution responsible for molding some of America's top young people into the leaders of tomorrow's Air Force.

Academy grounds are open to the public from 6 a.m. to 5 p.m. Many buildings open at 9 a.m. and close at 5 p.m. For more information about the Air Force Academy, write:

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