



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

STAFF SERGEANT CONNOR A. PLATE

Staff Sergeant Connor Plate is the Noncommissioned Officer in Charge (NCOIC), Administration of the Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps (AFROTC) Detachment 820. He is responsible for the overall effectiveness of administration functions and financial matters in relation to pay actions; scholarships, tuition, fees, subsistence, and textbook funds. He also oversees cadet life cycles and personnel actions to include medical, physical, enlistments, security clearances, categorization and maintains the cadet WINGS records.

Staff Sergeant Plate enlisted in the Air Force in December 2015. After completing basic military training at Lackland AFB in San Antonio, TX. He went to Keesler AFB, MS to complete his technical training, graduating in June 2016. From there, he would go on to his first assignment at 86th Airlift Wing, Ramstein AFB, Germany.



Prior to his current assignment, Staff Sergeant Plate was stationed at Eglin AFB, FL supporting Group and Squadron level Developmental Test & Evaluation Operations for one of the Air Force's largest Experimental Test Enterprises. During this assignment, he would deploy in support of Operation Inherent Resolve.

EDUCATION

2015 – Air Force Basic Military Training (BMT), Joint Base San Antonio – Lackland, TX

2016 – Administration Apprentice Course, Keesler AFB, MS

2023 – Airman Leadership School, Eglin AFB, FL

ASSIGNMENTS

1. July 2016 – September 2018, Commander Support Staff, 86 Airlift Wing, Wing Staff Agency, Ramstein AFB, Germany
2. September 2018 – April 2021, Executive Support Administration, 96 Operations Group, Eglin AFB, FL
3. April 2021 – July 2025, Commander Support Staff, 40th Flight Test Squadron, Eglin AFB, FL
4. July 2025 – Present, NCOIC Administration, AFROTC Detachment 820, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Air and Space Commendation Medal with one Oak Leaf Cluster

Air and Space Achievement Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters

Meritorious Unit Award with one Oak Leaf Cluster

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Airman Basic	1 December 2015
Airman	1 June 2016
Airman First Class	1 April 2017
Senior Airman	1 December 2018
Staff Sergeant	1 November 2024

(Current as of July 2025)