



COMMANDER'S CALL TOPICS

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22-26 May 2017

Priority Topic of the Week

22—26 May
Virtual Force Development
Center (vFDC)

- Recently, the Air Force consolidated all Total Force development services and resources to a single-point center.
- Now, all Airmen (active duty, Guard, Reserve, and civilian) can fully use all force development resources through the virtual force development center (vFDC).
- This online center is a single-point depot linking Airmen to numerous resources for self-paced training, education and other force development tools.
- The vFDC provides access to professional resources generated from the Air Force and the private sector which are easily transferable to the workplace.
- The center connects members to information on foundational learning, professional education, Air Force e-Learning, and other resources to include seeking a mentor.
- The virtual center, through Air Force e-Learning, also offers hundreds of no-cost, self-paced courses, books, audiobooks, videos, simulations, challenges, summaries, case studies, exercises, learning tracks, and live events to support Airmen's continual development.
- "The fundamental role of force development is to produce innovative Airmen across the Total Force that can accomplish the mission in an ever-changing global environment. The virtual center offers professional growth literally at your fingertips, I challenge all of us to take a proactive approach to learning something new every day," said Director of Force Development at Headquarters Air Force, Mr. Russell Frasz.
- The vFDC is located on the Air Force portal site under the career and training tab. ([Air Force Portal](#))
- Full Story ([AFPC](#))

Personnel Topics of Interest

- AF rolls out new First Term Airmen Course in June ([AF.MIL](#))
- National Public Service Award Nominations Due 4 Aug ([AFPC](#))
- Enlisted Promotion Line Numbers Released ([AFPC](#))
- CY17A Col (MSC), Lt Col (LAF/MSC) & Maj (MSC) Promotion Release 23 May MSgt (17E7) Promotion Release 24 May ([Air Force Portal](#))
- Slots Open in AF-PAK Hands Program ([AFPC](#))

Other Topics of Interest

- Secretary of the Air Force Heather Wilson Sworn In 16 May ([AF.MIL](#))
- Air Force announces Squadron Revitalization Idea Site ([AF.MIL](#))

May Observances

- Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month
- Memorial Day
- Talking Points are posted to the "Telling the Air Force Story" Site ([SAF/PA](#))

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- 1) 1-2 sentence synopsis of the issue
- 2) hyperlink to further details
- 3) a POC name and contact information.

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