



## Shreveport MEPS Important Information for Applicant Guests

Shreveport MEPS looks forward to welcoming you to witness your loved one take the Oath of Enlistment prior to shipping to basic training. Today they join an honored tradition of service to something greater, showing great selflessness, courage, and commitment just by volunteering to serve. We are honored to welcome them, and you, into the military Family.

Below you will find information about visiting Shreveport MEPS. Please read it in its entirety before your visit.

### **Oath of Enlistment Ceremony**

- Oath of Enlistment ceremonies will be conducted outside for optimal applicant Family attendance.
- If there is inclement weather, the ceremony will be conducted inside where all Active-Duty applicants who are about to ship to basic training as well as National Guard and Reserve applicants are authorized *two* guests to attend their Oath of Enlistment.

### **Viewing the Oath of Enlistment ceremony:**

- Applicants who are about to ship to basic training are authorized *two* guests to witness their Oath of Enlistment when conducted indoors.
- Guests are allowed in the MEPS 30-minutes prior to the ceremony. Oath times vary throughout the day (typically on the hour).
- Applicants will contact their guests approximately 30 minutes prior to the Oath of Enlistment ceremony. Please remain nearby the MEPS to ensure timely arrival.
- Guests must exit the MEPS following the ceremony.
- Disruptive guests will be asked to leave.

### **Getting here**

- Shreveport MEPS is located at 2715 Alkay Drive, Shreveport LA 71118
- Recruiting commands are responsible for escorting guests to the MEPS entrance.

### **Security**

- Provide a valid, physical or official digital I.D. (photos of I.D.s are not)
  - Acceptable - Driver's License, State I.D., Passport, City I.D. (or other I.D. specified in UMR 601-23, available [here](#))
  - Minors must be accompanied by an adult. They do not require I.D.
- All guests will go through a security screening to include metal detector, X-ray machine, bag check.
  - To decrease check-in times, guests are encouraged not to bring bags.
- Guests must sign in and out on a visitor log and wear a visitor badge while at the MEPS.



- Contraband is prohibited from the Shreveport MEPS. If any visitor is carrying contraband in the MEPS they will be asked to remove the contraband from the MEPS prior to entering the building.

### **Photography**

- Photo and video are only authorized in the Oath Ceremony room.

### **Refreshments**

- Vending machines are available for drinks and snacks. There are local restaurants surrounding the MEPS.

### **Point of Contact**

- If you have questions, please contact.
  - Shreveport MEPS control desk at (318) – 216 – 4942