



St. Louis MEPS

Important Information for Applicant Guests

St. Louis 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 St. Louis MEPS. Please read it in its entirety before your visit.

Viewing the Oath of Enlistment ceremony:

- Active-Duty applicants who are about to ship to basic training as well as National Guard and Reserve applicants are authorized *two* adult guests to attend their Oath of Enlistment. Guests under the age of 18 do not count toward an applicant's two visitors. Additional visitors require prior approval from the MEPS.
- Guests are allowed in the MEPS 30-minutes prior to the ceremony. Oath times vary throughout the day.
- 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

- STL MEPS is located on the tenth floor of the Robert A. Young Federal Building
1222 Spruce Street
St. Louis, MO 63130
- Recruiting commands are responsible for escorting guests to the MEPS entrance. MEPS personnel will not escort guests from the Federal Building lobby to the MEPS.
- Requirements enter the federal building include providing government identification to federal police officers.
 - All visitors are required to clear airport-style security and comply with rules and regulations governing conduct on federal property.
 - Entering the building routinely takes 10 minutes but could take longer. Please plan accordingly.

Parking

- The parking lot is located on the west side of the building and the rear for a charge of approximately \$9 a day. Prices may fluctuate depending on events occurring in the area (i.e. baseball games).

Security

- Provide a valid, physical or official digital I.D. (photos of I.D.s are not acceptable).
 - Acceptable - Driver's License, State I.D., Passport, City I.D. (or other I.D.)

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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.

Photography

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

Refreshments

- Vending machines are available for drinks and snacks outside of the MEPS. Convenience stores are also located at the 1st and 9th floor of the building.

Point of Contact

- If you have questions, please select St. Louis MEPS on the “contact” page on the USMEPCOM website.
<https://www.mepcom.army.mil/Contact/>