



## Syracuse MEPS Important Information for Applicant Guests

Syracuse 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 Syracuse 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 of Enlistment ceremony times vary throughout the day.
- An applicant 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 completion of the Oath of Enlistment ceremony.
- Disruptive guests will be asked to leave.

### **Getting to the MEPS**

- Syracuse MEPS is located on Hancock Air National Guard Base.
  - 6001 East Molloy Road, Syracuse, NY 13211
- The sponsoring Recruiting Service Command is responsible for escorting the applicant's visitor(s) to the MEPS entrance. MEPS personnel will not be available to escort guests from the military installation gates to the MEPS.
- Requirements to get on base:
  - There is a 100 percent ID check before entering Hancock Air National Guard Base. There are no weapons allowed on the base property of the Syracuse MEPS building.

### **Parking at the MEPS**

- There is ample parking and the Syracuse MEPS building.

### **Security while at the MEPS**

- Guests must provide valid physical or official digital identification.
- Minor guests do not require identification but must be accompanied by an adult.
- Guests will go through a security screening to include metal detector, X-ray machine, bag check. To decrease screening times, guests are encouraged not to bring bags.
- Guests must sign in and out on a visitor control log along with wearing a visitor badge while at the MEPS facility.



### **Photography in the MEPS**

- Photos and/or video are only authorized in the Oath of Enlistment Ceremony room.

### **Refreshments while at the MEPS**

- Vending machines are available for purchase of a drink(s)/snack(s).

### **Point of Contact at MEPS**

- If you have questions, please contact: Operations Officer, Syracuse MEPS at 315-468- 7818.