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Major Travis J. Bassett is the commander of the Sioux Falls Military Entrance Processing Station.

He enlisted in the Army at the Sioux Falls MEPS in 1999 and earned his commission through ROTC at the University of South Dakota in 2004. He served as an enlisted member in the Army Reserve with the 323rd Chemical Company, Sioux Falls, South Dakota; headquarters platoon leader, Bravo Company, 2nd Battalion, 70th Armor Regiment, Fort Riley, Kansas; assistant intelligence noncommissioned officer, scout platoon leader, squadron adjutant, and assistant operations noncommissioned officer, 1st Squadron, 40th Cavalry Regiment (Airborne), Fort Richardson, Alaska; operations officer, Houston MEPS; brigade human resources officer, Area Support Group, Qatar; executive officer, Harrisburg MEPS; and group human resources officer, 10th Support Group, Torri Station, Okinawa, Japan.



Major Bassett's professional military education includes the Armor Basic Officer Course, Scout Platoon Leaders Course, Adjutant General Officer Advanced Course, Sexual Assault/Assault Response Prevention Course, and Air Command and Staff College. He earned a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice from the University of South Dakota, Vermillion; a Master of Business Administration from Webster University, Saint Louis, Missouri; and a Master of Military Operational Art and Science from Air University, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama.

His military awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, Purple Heart, two Meritorious Service Medals, two Joint Service Commendation Medals, two Army Commendation Medals, three Army Achievement Medals, the Joint Meritorious Unit Award, Valorous Unit Award, Meritorious Unit Commendation, and various unit and service medals and ribbons.