

# CCAF GRIFFIN'S POST

2026 First Quarter Newsletter

## The Transformation of CCAF

The past 24 months have represented one of the most transformative periods in the history of the Community College of the Air Force. From system migrations to administrative overhauls, the organization is evolving to better serve the "Total Force" in a modern digital environment.

### AU Integration of CCAF Records

CCAF student records have been integrated into the AU's student information system with all registrar functions consolidated within the AU Registrar to properly centralize command, distribute control effectively, and match authorities and responsibilities across the AU enterprise. The AU Registrar oversees transcript processing, student record maintenance, updates of education levels to military personnel records, and certifies graduation eligibility.

**The Challenge:** Following a significant pause in transcript services and graduation processing during the migration, the backlog reached critical levels in 2024.

**The Solution:** The stand-up of the CCAF Task Force in late 2024 brought in additional personnel and technical experts to streamline the processing of over 100,000 pending requests.

**Today's Status:** As of 2026, the system is fully operational, allowing for real-time tracking of education records and a more user-friendly interface for Airmen and Guardians.



### CCAF Organizational Realignment

One of the most significant structural shifts in recent years is the realignment of CCAF operations. To create a more unified educational experience, CCAF and the Civilian Leadership Development School (CLDS), which instructs the Civilian Associate Degree Program (CADP), have moved under the umbrella of the newly wing-equivalent Air Force Global College (AFGC), formerly known as the Global College of Professional Military Education (GCPME). Now, with the CCAF, the CDAP, and the online master's degree program for Air Command and Staff College, AFGC is now the singular degree conferring arm within the LeMay Center.

This move facilitates a "one-stop shop" for distance learning and academic accreditation standards. Airmen now benefit from the same advanced Learning Management Systems (LMS) used by officer PME programs, providing a modern, interactive classroom experience rather than the legacy "read-and-test."

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## Centralized AU Registrar

Centralization: By centralizing registrar functions under the Air University umbrella, CCAF has reduced administrative redundancies. All inbound transcripts, outbound transcript, Civilian Course Evaluations and diploma reprints are handled at the AU Registrar.

<https://www.airuniversity.af.edu/Registrar/>



### Important Reminders for Students:

- **Air University Conferral Dates:** As of 1 February 2026, the AU Registrar transitioned to a standardized mid-month conferral date. Graduation requests after this date, will be dated to the next month's conferral date.
- **Transcript Requests:** All requests should go through the **AU Registrar** webpage, using the **Parchment** or **National Student Clearinghouse** digital credential service.
- **Counseling:** Ensure you meet with your local Education Office to request nomination for graduation. **Graduation is not automatic!**

## Frequently Asked Questions from the Field

How do I request to graduate?

Answer: Contact your local Education Office (their information can be found by logging into AFVEC, it will be located on the right side of the screen of your dashboard) tell them you think you met all requirements and would like to graduate.

I'm only one credit short; can I get a waiver?

Answer: No, Exceptions to Policy are only granted if a student has an extenuating circumstance that has or is preventing them from graduating, each exception is evaluated on its own merit and requesters must follow strict guidelines for submissions.

Where can I view my student record, degree progress, and unofficial transcripts?

Answer: The [AU Student Portal](#). The [Print Documents](#) tile displays unofficial transcripts, and the [My Graduation Requirements](#) tile provides degree progress.

## Tips for Students—Submitting an ETP (Exception to Policy)

Step 1. Contact your local CCAF Advisor and let them know your situation, remember it has to be an extenuating circumstance and if approved the request **MUST** result in the student graduating.

Step 2. The CCAF Advisor will download the appropriate ETP form and assist you in filling it out. Be thorough and include any attachments or documents you wish to be considered for your ETP request.

Step 3. Both Student and Advisor **MUST** sign the completed ETP form.

Step 4. The ETP is submitted to the CCAF Education Services Division via ServiceNow Request.

CCAF's Academic Review Council (ARC) will review and vote on the ETP. The member will receive formal notification of approval or denial via their government email.

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# Ready to Set Yourself Apart?

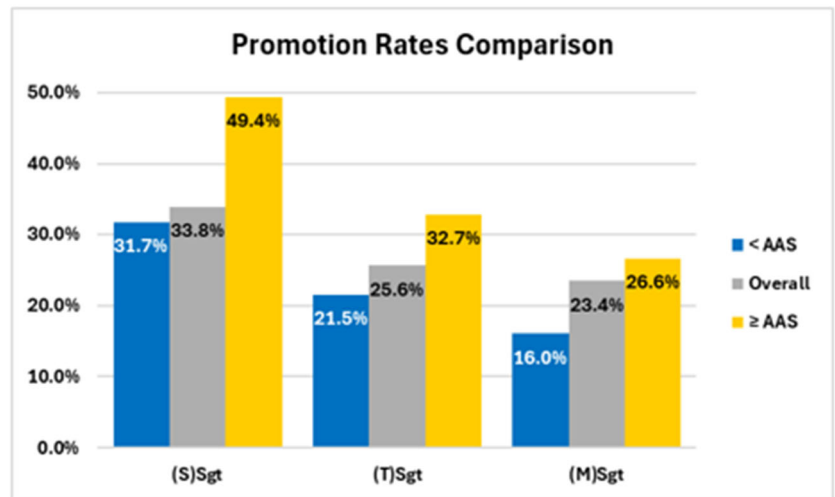
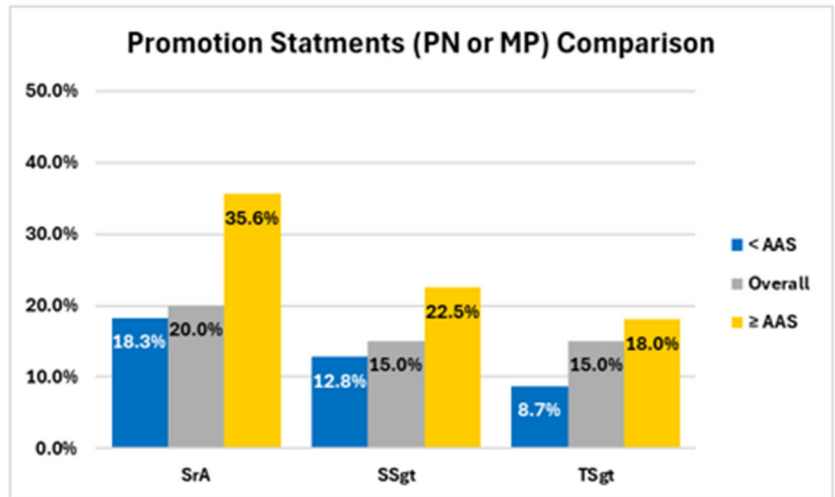
Promotion Statements for active duty members with an AAS+ outpace population footprint in each grade!  
Analysis using 2025 data shows if you are a:

- SrA with an AAS, you are 2.1 times more likely to receive a PN / MP than those without and are 2.1 times more likely to successfully promote to SSgt!

- SSgt with an AAS, you are 1.7 times more likely to receive a PN / MP than those without and are 1.2 times more likely to successfully promote to TSgt!

- TSgt with an AAS, you are 1.9 times more likely to receive a PN / MP than those without and are 2.3 times more likely to successfully promote to MSgt!

\* The minimum of an associates degree is required for both SMSgt and CMSgt per DAFI 36-2502 para 1.10. The new MyEval System will not allow Senior Raters to stratify MSgts eligible for SMSgt if a member does not have at least an associates degree.



Rank	Chance of receiving PN or MP (w/ AAS)	Chance of receiving PN or MP (w/o AAS)	Selection Rate	Takeaway
SrA	1 in 3	1 in 5	33.8% Selection Rate 25E5 (83% w/ PN or MP)	SrA w/ AAS 32% more likely to promote to SSgt
SSgt	1 in 5	1 in 6	25.6% Selection Rate 25E6 (83% w/ PN or MP)	SSgt w/ AAS 21% more likely to promote to TSgt
TSgt	1 in 5	1 in 8	23.4% Selection Rate 25E7 (91% w/ PN or MP)	TSgt w/ AAS 21% more likely to promote to MSgt