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Biography

BRIGADIER GENERAL DAVID W. MAY

Wisconsin Air National Guard

Brig. Gen. David W. May is Wisconsin's deputy adjutant general for Air. As such, he serves as the chief advisor to the Adjutant General on all matters pertaining to Air National Guard programs, policies, operations, management and command and control of the Wisconsin Air National Guard. He also provides staff assistance guidance and direction concerning Air National Guard personnel, administration, training, recruiting and retention incentives, and budgetary matters. Gen. May is responsible for more than 2,300 Wisconsin Air National Guard personnel serving in two flying wings and a Combat Readiness Training Center at Volk Field Air National Guard Base.



Brig. Gen. May earned a bachelor's degree in music at Kent State University in 1993. He earned a master's degree in music at the University of Michigan in 1994, and a doctorate in philosophy, organization and management at Capella University in Minneapolis, Minnesota in 2003. He completed Squadron Officer School, Air Command and Staff College at Maxwell-Gunter Air Force Base by correspondence, Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, and Air War College at Maxwell-Gunter Air Force base by correspondence.

Brig. Gen. May received his commission through the Air Force Officer Training School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama, in August, 1996. He has held a variety of command and staff positions at the wing, combatant command, Air Staff, and Joint Force Headquarters level. His staff tours include HQ U.S. Air Force, the Pentagon, HQ Air Force Cyber Command (Provisional), U.S. Transportation Command, and the Joint Force Headquarters of the Wisconsin National Guard. He assumed his current rank and duties April 16, 2020.

Prior to his current assignment, he commanded Volk Field Air National Guard Base, Camp Douglas, Wisconsin, which includes the Combat Readiness Training Center, the 128th Air Control Squadron, and the 126th Weather Flight.

Brig. Gen. May's military awards include the Legion of Merit, the Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters, the Joint Service Commendation Medal, the Air Force Commendation Medal with three oak leaf clusters, the Joint Service Achievement Medal, the Air Force Commendation Medal with three oak leaf clusters, the Joint Meritorious Unit Award with one oak leaf cluster, the Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with three oak leaf cluster, the Air Force Organizational Excellence Award with one oak leaf cluster, the National Defense Service Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, the Air Force Overseas Ribbon Long, the Air Force Expeditionary Service Ribbon with gold birder and one oak leaf cluster, the Air Force Longevity Service with four oak leaf clusters, the Small Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon (Pistol), the Air Force Training Ribbon, and the Wisconsin National Guard Emergency Service Ribbon.