

318th OPERATIONS SUPPORT SQUADRON



MISSION

The mission of the 318th Squadron is to deliver relevant, validated, tactics, intelligence, and synchronized capabilities to cyberspace warfighters while providing mission support throughout the 688th Cyberspace Wing

LINEAGE

318th Airdrome Squadron (Special) constituted, 13 April 1943

Activated, 1 May 1943

Disbanded, 1 May 1944

Reconstituted and redesignated 318th Operations Support Squadron, 10 Nov 2011

Activated, 7 Dec 2011

STATIONS

Columbia AAB, SC, 1 May 1943 - 1 May 1944

Joint Base San Antonio, TX, 7 Dec 2011

ASSIGNMENTS

Third Air Force, 1 May 1943 – 1 May 1944

318th Information Operations Group (later 318th Cyberspace Operations Group), 7 Dec 2011

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

American Theater

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

On a disc Azure, a hawk facing dexter, wings displayed Proper, in dexter talon a lightning bolt bend-sinisterwise, in sinister talon a key bendwise, wards to dexter downward Or, all within a narrow border Yellow. Attached below the disc, a Blue scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "318TH OPERATIONS SUPPORT SQ" in Yellow letters. **SIGNIFICANCE:** Ultramarine blue and Air Force yellow are the Air Force colors. Blue alludes to the sky, the primary theater of Air Force operations. Yellow refers to the sun and the excellence required of Air Force personnel. The swooping hawk symbolizes the agility, precision and lethality with which the Squadron executes its mission. The key signifies the intelligence aspect of their mission, delivering timely, accurate information to support their efforts. The lightning bolt represents the cyber piece of the mission, crafting relevant, validated tactics to cyberspace warfighters.

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OPERATIONS

Air Force Order of Battle

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Sources

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