

403 OPERATIONS SUPPORT SQUADRON



MISSION

LINEAGE

403 Operations Support Squadron constituted and activated in the Reserve, 1 Aug 1992

Redesignated 403 Operations Support Flight, 1 Oct 1992

Redesignated 403 Operations Support Squadron, 12 Jul 2010

STATIONS

Keesler AFB, MS, 1 Aug 1992

ASSIGNMENTS

403 Operations Group, 1 Aug 1992

COMMANDERS

Lt Col Michael Davenport, 2 Mar 1997

Lt Col Dennis Price, 22 Dec 2003

Lt Col Jon Andre, 3 Apr 2004

Capt Sean McGraw, 5 Feb 2006

Lt Col Kenneth Bartczak, 15 Jul 2007

Lt Col William E. Bundy

Lt Col Christopher S. Harris, 6 Jun 2021

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards

[1 Aug] 1992-30 Apr 1994

1 May 1994-30 Apr 1996

1 May 1996-31 Aug 1997

1 Jan 2004-31 Dec 2005

EMBLEM



On a disc Celeste, beneath in chief a polestar Argent, a cloud fesswise of the like, overall in saltire a lightning bolt bend sinisterwise Or and a sword bendwise point up Gris, grip Azure, pommel of the third, fimbriated and detailed Sable, all within a narrow border Yellow. Attached above the disc, a Blue scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "PARATUS SUSTENTARE" in Yellow letters. Attached below the disc, a Blue scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "403D 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 polestar is representative of the North Star navigation marker used by aviators and the Squadron's representation in the 403d Wing. The cloud and the lightning bolt represent the weather reconnaissance mission that is supported by the men and women of the Squadron. The sword represents the tactical mission. (Approved, 2 Aug 2013)

MOTTO

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OPERATIONS

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Sources

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