



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

LIEUTENANT COLONEL BRANDON J. KOSTER

Lieutenant Colonel Brandon J. Koster is the Commander, 612th Air Communications Squadrons (ACOMS), supporting 612th Air Operations Center, Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Arizona. The 612 ACOMS delivers command and control capabilities and weapon system sustainment for Air Forces Southern and USSOUTHCOM missions, enabling air operations to deter aggression, defeat threats, rapidly respond to crisis, and work with allies and partners to build regional capacity for security and prosperity throughout Latin America and the Caribbean.

Prior to this assignment, Lt Col Koster was Chief of the A6 Plans and Programs Division, Twelfth Air Force (Air Forces Southern), Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Arizona, where he was responsible for providing C4 to Air Forces Southern Headquarters and two Forward Operating locations supporting inter-agency counter drug operations, humanitarian assistance, medical exchanges, and disaster response.



Lt Col Koster earned his commission from New Mexico State University in 2007. He graduated from Basic Communications Officer Training in 2008, and was first stationed at Langley Air Force Base, Virginia, at the Integrated Network Operations Security Center. He has deployed in support of the International Security Assistance Force in Operation Enduring Freedom and Joint Task Force staff in Operation Inherent Resolve.

EDUCATION

- 2007 Bachelors of Science, Criminal Justice, New Mexico State University
- 2008 Basic Communications Officer Training, Keesler AFB, MS
- 2008 Air and Space Basic Course, Maxwell AFB, AL
- 2013 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, AL
- 2015 Cyberspace 200, Wright-Patterson AFB, OH
- 2016 Masters of Science, International Relations, Troy State University, AL
- 2018 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, AL, by correspondence
- 2021 Cyberspace 300, Wright-Patterson AFB, OH
- 2022 Air War College, Maxwell AFB, AL, by correspondence

ASSIGNMENTS

1. Jan 2008 - Jan 2009, OIC Internet Services, 83d Network Operations Sq, Langley AFB, VA
2. Jan 2009 – Oct 2010, Crew Commander I-NOSC East, 83d Network Operations Sq, Langley AFB, VA
3. Oct 2010 – May 2011, Watch Officer, Alaska Mission Operations Center, 381st Intelligence Sq, Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, AK
4. May 2011 – Aug 2012, Commander, Current Operations Flight, 381st Intelligence Sq, Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, AK
(2012, Deployed to Camp Marmal, Afghanistan in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM)
5. Sep 2012 – May 2013, Commander, Communications and Information Flight, 381st Intelligence Sq, Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, AK
6. May 2013 – June 2014, Executive Officer, 673d Mission Support Group, Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, AK

7. July 2014 – May 2016, Education Flight Commander, Det 805 AFROTC, Texas A&M University, TX
8. June 2016 – May 2017, Operations Flight Commander, Det 805 AFROTC, Texas A&M University, TX
9. June 2017 – June 2020, Chief, Cyber Support Branch, AFOTEC Det 6, Nellis AFB, NV
(2018, Deployed to Camp Arifjan, Kuwait in support of Operation INHERENT RESOLVE)
10. July 2020 – June 2022, Branch Chief, Plans and Programs, Cadet Wing, USAFA, CO
11. July 2022 – May 2024, A6 Chief, Plans and Programs Division, 12AF, Davis-Monthan AFB, AZ
12. May 2024 – Current, Commander, 612 ACOMS, Davis Monthan AFB, AZ

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Air Force Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Joint Service Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster

Air Force Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster

Army Commendation Medal

Air Force Achievement Medal

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant Jan 1, 2007

First Lieutenant Jan 1, 2009

Captain Jan 1, 2011

Major Sept 1, 2017

Lieutenant Colonel Aug 1, 2022

(Current as of Sept 2025)