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***Missile Defense Advocacy Alliance
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Present

***SHIELD Executive Education Program
in Global Space and Deterrence
Cohort V
&
ARTEMIS Executive Program
Cohort I***

*Vandenberg Space Force Base, California
Space Launch Delta 30*

21-23 April 2026

Trip Overview

• Tuesday, 21 April 2026:

- Arrive at Respective Hotels
- **1515: MDAA Champion Event:**
 - Location: PCC Ballroom: 758 Nebraska Ave, Lompoc, CA 93437
 - Intent: To recognize some of SLD 30's top performers
- **1800: Cohort Class Dinner**
 - Location: The Hitching Post Casmalia: 3325 Point Sal Rd, Casmalia
 - Greeted by: Riki Ellison
 - Intent: Cohort Class Dinner

• Wednesday, 22 April 2026:

***If not staying overnight to 23 Apr 2026, ensure checkout of hotel and secure luggage either with hotel desk or other means**

- **0745: Arrive at Vandenberg Space Force Base (VSFB) Visitor Center**
 - Location: Building 17596; outside of Santa Maria Gate
 - Greeted by: Lt Katherine Evans and Lt Caroline Reinkensmeyer, 2d Range Operations Sq
 - Parking available at visitor center. Look for large blue bus.
 - Intent: Roll-call cohort, ensure base access, receive itinerary and daily rundown.
 - Attendees: USC SHIELD Cohort III and VIPs
- **0800-0825: Transit to Ronald Reagan test site for Group Photo and MDAA remarks**
 - Location: Intersection of Orion & El Rancho Rd
 - Support: Government Bus, 30 Logistics Readiness Squadron
 - Driver: TBD, 30 Logistics Readiness Squadron
- **0825-0850 Pictures and MDA remarks**
 - Location: Reagan Test Site
 - Intent: Cohort Photo & MDA remarks
 - Briefer: Mr Charles "Turbo" Griffith
- **0850-0910: Transit to Western Range Operations Control Center (WROCC)**
 - Location: Building 7025
- **0910: Arrive at WROCC**
 - Location: Building 7025
 - Accompanied by: 2d Lt Caroline Reinkensmeyer, 2d Range Operations Sq
 - Intent: Starting location of MDAA's tour of VSFB/SLD 30
- **0915-1000: 377th Test and Evaluation Group Overview**
 - Location: WROCC Theater (BLDG 7025)
 - Briefer: Capt Jessica Zetina
 - Intent: Mission overview and capabilities brief
- **1000-1010: Comfort Break**
 - Intent: Utilize restrooms, fill up water.

- **1015-1045: Space Launch Delta 30 Overview Brief**
 - Location: WROCC Theater (BLDG 7025)
 - Briefer: Col Horne, SLD 30/CC
 - Intent: Overview of leadership team, history, mission, roles and responsibilities
- **1045-1130: Tour WROCC**
 - Location: Bldg 7025
 - Greeted by: 2d Lt Lorne St. Christopher, 2d Range Operations Squadron
 - Intent: Overview of day of launch operations, tour of Weather, Safety and Area surveillance center
- **1130-1135: Transit to Pacific Coast Club (PCC) for Lunch**
 - Location: Bldg 1800 to PCC
- **1135-1230: Lunch**
 - Location: PCC Cafe
 - Intent: Café lunch available, pay individually, Cohort social hour time
- **1230-1300: Transit to Space Launch Complex 8 (SLC-8)**
 - Location: PCC to SLC-8
- **1300-1350: SLC-8 Tour**
 - Location: South Base, Minotaur Launch Complex
 - Greeted by: Lt Jayden Goodwin, 2d Range Operations Squadron
 - Intent: Tour Minotaur Launch Facility
- **1350-1400: Transit to Space Launch Complex 3 (SLC-3)**
 - Location: SLC-8 to SLC-3
- **1400-1500: SLC-3 Tour**
 - Location: South Base, ULA Launch Complex
 - Greeted by: Lt Ritik Mishra, 2d Space Launch Squadron
 - Intent: Tour ULA Launch Facility
- **1500-1530: Transit to Visitor's Center, Conclude Visit**
 - Location: SLC-3 to Visitor's Center (Bldg 17596)
- **1530-1800: Downtime or Travel Home**
 - Location: Respective Lodging
- **Thursday, 23 April 2026: Remaining members Checkout from Hotels**
 - Checkout
 - Depart Vandenberg Space Force Base

Lodging:

1. VSFB Visiting Officer Quarters
 - a. POC: <https://www.vandenbergfss.com/vandenberg-lodge/>; Reservations: 805-606-1844

POC(s):

2d Lt Katherine Evans: SLD 30 POC for planning and day of event, (859) 445-6483 (c)
Mr. Riki Ellison: MDAA Chairman & Founder, representative f/Cohort