



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT ROBERT D. ROSS

Chief Master Sergeant Ross is the Superintendent, 2d Weather Group, Offutt Air Force Base, Nebraska. He ensures the delivery of timely, relevant, and specialized terrestrial, space, and climatological global environmental intelligence to joint warfighters, Defense Department decision-makers, national agencies, and allied nations for the planning and execution of missions across the complete spectrum of military operations. His team operates and sustains Air Force Weather's \$323M strategic center computer complex, production network, and applications. He serves as the Commander's principal advisor for 519 active duty, civil service, and contractor personnel at 8 operating locations around the globe. He provides counseling and mentorship to personnel from 12 AFSCs regarding training, readiness, manpower, quality of life, morale, and discipline. He assumed his current position 29 May 2019.

Chief Master Sergeant Ross entered the Air Force in October 1996. His background includes various duties at the unit and major-command levels. Throughout his career, he has filled multiple leadership and management roles including additional-duty First Sergeant and Squadron Superintendent. His assignments include bases in Oklahoma, Nebraska, Illinois, Nevada, Virginia and North Carolina. Chief Ross also served overseas in England, Honduras, and deployed in support of Operations Iraqi Freedom, Enduring Freedom, and Inherent Resolve.

Prior to assuming his current position, he served as Superintendent, 18th Weather Squadron (Mighty 1-8!), Fort Bragg, North Carolina.



EDUCATION

- 1997 Weather Observer Apprentice Course, Keesler AFB, Miss
- 2000 Weather Forecaster Journeyman Course, Keesler AFB, Miss
- 2001 Airman Leadership School, Offutt AFB, Neb
- 2002 Weather Craftsman Course, Keesler AFB, Miss
- 2006 Noncommissioned Officer Academy, Maxwell-Gunter AFB, Ala
- 2007 Associate in Applied Science, Meteorology, Community College of the Air Force
- 2009 Bachelor of Arts, Biblical Studies, Amridge University, Montgomery, Ala
- 2009 Senior Noncommissioned Officer Academy Correspondence
- 2011 Senior Enlisted Joint Professional Military Education Correspondence Course
- 2012 Professional Manager Certification, Community College of the Air Force
- 2013 Senior Noncommissioned Officer Academy, Maxwell-Gunter AFB, Ala
- 2015 Master of Science, Leadership and Management, Amridge University, Montgomery, Ala
- 2018 Chief Master Sergeant Leadership Course, Maxwell-Gunter AFB, Ala

ASSIGNMENTS

1. Oct 1996 – Dec 1996, Student, Basic Military Training, Lackland AFB, Tex
2. Dec 1996 - Apr 1997, Student, Weather Observer Apprentice Course, Keesler AFB, Miss
3. Apr 1997 - Oct 1999, Weather Observer, 72d Operations Support Squadron, Tinker AFB, Okla.
4. Oct 1999 - May 2000, Student, Weather Forecaster Journeyman Course, Keesler AFB, Miss
5. May 2000 - Dec 2001, Forecaster, CONUS Severe Forecast Operations, HQ AFWA, Offutt AFB, Neb.
6. Dec 2001 – Jan 2005, Weather Forecaster, 100th Operations Support Squadron, RAF Mildenhall, United Kingdom
7. Jan 2005 – Jul 2006, NCOIC, Northeast CONUS Warning Cell, 15th Operational Weather Squadron, Scott AFB, Ill.
8. Jul 2006 – Mar 2008, NCOIC, Standardization & Evaluations, 15th Operational Weather Squadron, Scott AFB, Ill.
9. Mar 2008 – Nov 2010, Senior Duty NCO, 15th Operational Weather Squadron, Scott AFB, Ill.
10. Nov 2010 – Nov 2011, Weather Section Chief, Additional Duty First Sergeant, 612th Air Base Squadron, Soto Cano AB, Honduras.

11. Dec 2011 – Nov 2012, Squadron Superintendent, Additional Duty First Sergeant, 57th Operations Support Squadron, Nellis AFB, Nev.
12. Nov 2012 – Jan 2014, Weather Flight Chief, Additional Duty First Sergeant, 57th Operations Support Squadron, Nellis AFB, Nev.
13. Jan 2014 – Nov 2014, Weather Flight Chief, Additional Duty First Sergeant, 432d Operations Support Squadron, Creech AFB, Nev.
14. Nov 2014 – July 2017, Manager, Operations, Plans & Programs Branch, Headquarters Air Combat Command, Operations Directorate, Weather Division, Joint Base Langley-Eustis, Va. (Oct 2015 – Apr 2016, J3 Noncommissioned Officer in Charge & Meteorological and Oceanographic Superintendent, Special Operations Command Central Forward, Al Udeid AB, Qatar.)
15. Aug 2017 – May 2019, Squadron Superintendent, 18th Weather Squadron, Ft. Bragg, NC
16. May 2019 - Present, Group Superintendent, 2d Weather Group, Offutt AFB, Neb

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Air Force Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters
Joint Service Commendation Medal
Air Force Commendation Medal with four oak leaf clusters
Joint Service Achievement Medal
Joint Meritorious Unit Award
Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with four oak leaf clusters
Air Force Organizational Excellence Award

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

1998 Airman of the Year, 72d Operations Support Squadron
2001 Leadership Award and Distinguished Graduate, Airman Leadership School
2003 Noncommissioned Officer of the Year, 100th Operations Group
2006 Distinguished Graduate, Noncommissioned Officer Academy
2007 Pitsenbarger Award for Academic Excellence
2012 Senior Noncommissioned Officer of the Year, 57th Operations Group
2014 Air Combat Command Weather Senior Noncommissioned Officer of the Year
2014 Air Combat Command Weather Flight of the Year
2015 Senior Noncommissioned Officer of the Year, Operations Directorate, HQ Air Combat Command

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Chief Master Sergeant 1 July 2017

(Current as of May 2019)