



THE CECOM DASH



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CG sends: Commemorating Memorial Day

ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND, Md. – I hope you joined me on May 27, 2021, for our CECOM virtual Town Hall hosted on MS Teams. We provided the CECOM team with updated details about COVID-19, including the new masking policy; information about returning to work on-site; the migration from CVR to O365; and we also had our awards program. It was a great time to connect with teammates as we looked ahead to upcoming challenges and opportunities.



CSM Corner: The Army is hiring – spread the word!

ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND, Md. – The Army is currently conducting the “Army National Hiring Days” campaign. It runs from May 10 through June 14 with the goal of hiring 1,700 new Soldiers. Even if you are personally not interested or eligible to join, we are hoping you can share this great opportunity with the people in your life who might be looking for more than just a job. Some people may not know about all that is available to Soldiers in the U.S. Army, so the National Hiring Days campaign is our way of focusing on getting the word out.



AMC commander looks to the future in visit to CECOM

ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND, Md. – The Commander of Army Materiel Command, Gen. Edward Daly, shared his forward-looking vision for the U.S. Army Communications-Electronics Command during a routine visit to CECOM headquarters here, Thursday, May 13, in which updates on CECOM initiatives and programs were shared. Daly expressed his appreciation for the CECOM team’s hard work and candid dialogue in recent months. He said he wants the workforce to continue the good work and encouraged them to continue to focus on the next five to seven years.



Mills leads the way at ISEC’s engineering directorate

FORT HUACHUCA, Ariz. – Prior to the invention of the calculator, it often took longer for one to perform mathematical functions by hand. The technology provided a more efficient means to get the job done. The Fort Huachuca Engineering Directorate of the U.S. Army Information Systems Engineering Command, under the direction of Jennifer Mills, plays a similar role to the Army’s success as the inventor of the calculator did with math. Among the directorate’s responsibilities is to provide improvements in IT infrastructure, such as cloud services, network capabilities, and enterprise systems to Soldiers that make them more efficient.



Return to work, mask policy, FEVS, awards dominate CECOM town hall

ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND, Md. – Plans for a gradual return to the workplace, mask policy, a spotlight on the Federal Employee Viewpoint Survey, and employee recognitions were among topics discussed at the quarterly U.S. Army Communications-Electronics Command town hall May 27 at APG's Myer Auditorium and hosted virtually via Microsoft Teams.



New CECOM Chief Warrant Officer excited to work

ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND, Md. – Chief Warrant Officer 5 Linc McCoy became intrigued when he received his most recent assignment as the Command Chief Warrant Officer of the U.S. Army Communications-Electronics Command at APG. Throughout his 26-year career in the Army, he has served in various operational and staff assignments around the world, including serving the Office of the White House and the Secretary of Defense. He also is a veteran of Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation New Dawn.



Army, training vendor team up to make it easier to certify medical maintainers

FORT DETRICK, Md. – The U.S. Army is making it easier for medical maintainers to train and affirm their abilities as subject matter experts in their field. As of April 1, Soldiers working as biomedical equipment specialists, known by the military occupational specialty code 68A, can now enroll in several types of job-related training with no out-of-pocket expense.



Superior service leads to DA-level recognition for deputy CO

TOBYHANNA ARMY DEPOT, Pa. – Senior official performing the duties of the Under Secretary of the Army Christopher Lowman visited Tobyhanna Army Depot May 20 to recognize a long-standing relationship with the organic industrial base mission and its personnel. Lowman spoke about Army readiness and priorities and how his father had once worked on the OV-1 Mohawk program with Tobyhanna's Deputy Commander Frank Zardecki.



Update to the Army's Combat Fitness Test – ACFT 3.0

ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND, Md. – On March 22, 2021, Sgt. Maj of the Army Michael A. Grinston released an SMA Sends formally announcing the release of the Army Combat Fitness Test (ACFT) 3.0 to the Total Army. This adaptation of the ACFT (effective April 1) includes six events (3–Repetition Maximum Deadlift, Standing Power Throw, Hand–Release Push–Ups, Sprint–Drag–Carry, Leg Tuck or Plank, and 2–Mile Run), with one significant change that adds the Plank as a full 100–point alternative to the Leg Tuck for Soldiers' core strength test event.



The First Armed Forces Day – 71st Anniversary

ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND, Md. – This year marks the 71st anniversary of the first Armed Forces Day celebration, held May 20, 1950. Prior to that, each of the branches of the military celebrated their own day. Since 1929, Army Day had been observed on April 6, to mark the country's entrance into World War I. The theme of the first Armed Forces Day was "Teamed for Defense."