The Class of 2022 conducts Ring Weekend activities to distribute class rings during a professional ceremony that reflects on the storied history of the "Long Gray Line" and celebrate their class accomplishments with a formal banquet.

COVID:
In accordance with CDC, HQDA, and DoD guidance and directives, West Point will continue to rely on vaccinations, testing, and other appropriate risk mitigation methods (e.g. masking and distancing) to preserve the health of our Cadets in the barracks, our families and workforce on the installation, as well as the various activities that comprise our leader development model (academic, military, athletic, and character). As we begin a new Academic Year (AY), this Force Health Protection mindset and this focus on Readiness will allow our West Point community to meet its mission for the Army while maintaining connections with our Families and our Nation-wide stakeholders.

Considering this, we continue to monitor the evolving COVID variants and their potential effects on West Point efforts, interactions, and activities each week. In alignment with DoD and HQDA, West Point visitors are encouraged to vaccinate and/or test prior to travel and attendance at West Point events this fall. For some events this AY, vaccination and/or testing will be a requirement. In all instances, we ask that visitors consider their own comfort level and applicable Public Health guidance/requirements when choosing or not choosing to visit West Point.

Ring Weekend (Outdoor Ceremony at Trophy Point Friday / Indoor Banquet in Washington Hall Saturday):
- Masks are required for all unvaccinated attendees at the outdoor Ring Ceremony at Trophy Point on Friday.
- Masks are required for vaccinated and unvaccinated personnel indoors on West Point and other federal installations.
- The two guests (max) per Cadet attending the indoor banquet on Saturday must be fully vaccinated and must adhere to USCC guidance to provide proof of vaccination prior to the banquet. This guidance will come down to your cadet through their TAC officer and cadet Chain of Command.
- No visitors allowed in the Central Post Restricted Area, Thayer Road extension between the barracks and the academic buildings or Grant Hall before, during or after the ceremony, banquet, and the entirety of the weekend.
- To keep Cadets and visitors safe at both on and off-post locations during the weekend, we ask that masks are worn in mixed populations of vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals while indoors.

Ring Ceremony:
The ceremony at Trophy Point will begin at approximately 5:05 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 27. Shuttle buses will be available to transport guests from “A” Lot (near Michie Stadium) and Buffalo Soldier Field to Trophy Point, 3 - 7 p.m.
Parking in the Trophy Point area is very limited. Please be in place (bring your own chairs or blankets) on the hillside by 4:30 p.m. The cadets will begin their march to Trophy Point at 4:40 p.m.
Please do not sit forward of the black topped path at the base of the hill. The area between the band shell and the path is where they cadets will stand for the ceremony. Thank you for your support!
First and second regiments will enter from the right side of Trophy Point, third and fourth will enter from the left. Appropriate attire is summer/business casual; sundress, capris, skirts, walking shorts for ladies; shorts, casual pants,
polo shirts, etc., for men. Guests should have masks available and use as appropriate, especially when unable to socially distance.

**WP Parent Clubs:**
The **WPPC of MDDCVA** will be present selling their Class Crest Afghans (throws). Proceeds from the sale of the throws will be donated to the class for their gift fund.
The **West Point Parents Club of Southeast Pennsylvania** will be at Trophy Point on Friday to distribute their pre-purchased tote bags.

**Graduation Overview and Information Session:**
On **Friday afternoon, Aug. 27**, we are planning a **graduation overview and information session**. The session is planned for 1-2:30 p.m., Eisenhower Hall Theater. Please join us!

**Ring Run:**
Please join us for the **5th Annual Ring Run 5K**, Sat., Aug 28!
To register, please visit this link – [https://go.usa.gov/xFZ6J](https://go.usa.gov/xFZ6J). It promises to be a fun event!

**Banquet** – Sat. Aug. 28, 6 p.m. in the Cadet Mess – Washington Hall - All guests (Cadet + 2 guests) attending the banquet should be in place behind their chairs in the cadet mess no later than 5:45 p.m. This is a formal event. Suggested attire is formal, full-length dress for the ladies and dark business suit or tuxedo (or military equivalent). Cadets are responsible for signing up/payment for guests.
This is an indoor masked event (except when actively eating or drinking).
Each of the two guests per cadet must be fully vaccinated and must adhere to USCC guidance to provide proof of vaccination prior to the banquet. This guidance will come down to your cadet through their TAC officer and cadet Chain of Command.

**Transportation** - Buses will be available to transport guests from Buffalo Soldier Field and A Lot to the cadet mess for the banquet Saturday beginning at 4 p.m. Buses will be available to transport guests from Cadet Mess to A Lot and Buffalo Soldier Field following the banquet with service ending at 10 p.m. A handicapped accessible bus will be available to transport guests from Clinton Lot to the Cadet Mess and return following the banquet.

**Visitor Information:**
All visitors to West Point for these events should review the security information posted at this link – [Parents Visiting West Point (NEW)](Parents Visiting West Point (NEW) | United States Military Academy West Point).