Nebraska Air National Guard to host an Open Hangar event

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LINCOLN, Neb. – The Nebraska Air National Guard's 155th Air Refueling Wing will host an Open Hangar event at the Nebraska National Guard air base in Lincoln, May 1, 2024, from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

More than 300 students from 30 local high schools have registered to attend this recruiting event held at the fuel cell hangar and flightline, which is home to the KC-135 Stratotanker maintenance squadron. Seven colleges and universities, civilian employers and the Nebraska National Guard will showcase more than 45 jobs and educational opportunities.

The event will include: a tour of a KC-135 Stratotanker; demonstrations by the explosive ordinance disposal team and their robot; fire, medical and communications personnel and equipment; and more.

"Anyone who attends this open hangar event is in for an eye-opening experience," said Col. Christopher Hesse, 155th Air Refueling Wing commander. "The opportunities in the Air National Guard are extraordinary and rarely are you be able to consolidate these opportunities in one setting, allowing the side-by-side comparison of job duties, equipment and work environment. It is truly an impressive sight and event."

Hesse added, "Having our partners from various local employers and educational institutions attend highlights the critical and enduring partnership between Guardsmen and the community."

MEDIA NOTES: The media is invited to cover the event at the Nebraska National Guard air base, which is collocated with the Lincoln Airport. Due to the need to process through security, media is encouraged to R.S.V.P. for the event to Master Sgt. Denise Mommens at 402-309-1077 or by cell at 402-643-1501.