



Master Sergeant Emanuel Knowlton

Team Superintendent



Master Sergeant Emanuel Knowlton is the United States Air Force's F-22 Raptor Aerial Demonstration Team Superintendent, based at Joint Base Langley-Eustis, Virginia. As the aerial demonstration team superintendent, he is responsible for representing Air Combat Command, the United States Air Force, and the Department of Defense at more than 20 air shows annually. He leads the 12-member enlisted F-22 Demonstration Team and oversees all maintenance actions performed on the Raptor. By doing so, he ensures the demonstration pilot is equipped with a safe, reliable, and effective jet to execute maneuvers for more than 10 million spectators around the world each year. MSgt Knowlton also serves as the narrator during demonstration performances.

MSgt Emanuel Knowlton was born in West Memphis, Arkansas and graduated from West Memphis High School in 2003. On 1 October 2003, he enlisted into the United States Air Force.

MSgt Knowlton has held various positions within the 1st Maintenance Group located at JB Langley-Eustis in Hampton, Virginia and also within the Ogden Air Logistics Complex located at Hill AFB, Utah. His latest assignment brings him to the reigns of the Superintendent of the F-22 Demonstration Team. He has deployed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Inherent Resolve.

Education

Enrolled: Associates of Aircraft Systems Maintenance Technology, CCAF, Virginia.

Assignments

- 2004-2006: F-16 Assistant Dedicated Crew Chief
- 2006-2009: Weapons System Controller
- 2009-2014: F-22 Dedicated Crew Chief
- 2014-2016: Depot Maintenance Craftsman
- 2016-2018: Aircraft Battle Damage Instructor
- 2018-2019: Specialist Section Chief
- 2019-Present: F-22 Demonstration Team Superintendent