



24th Fighter Squadron Fact Sheet
301st Fighter Wing -- Active Associate
U.S. Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base
Fort Worth, Texas



MAJCOM/LOCATION: The 24th Fighter Squadron is an Air Combat Command unit located on a U.S. Navy owned joint reserve base in Fort Worth, Texas.

Unit Information:

- The Total Force Initiative Active Associate, now the 24th Fighter Squadron, was established at U.S. NAS JRB Fort Worth, Texas in March of 2012. Since then, their Active Duty component foot print has grown from 15 members into a 190 member force supporting the 301st Fighter Wing mission--***to train and deploy combat-ready Airmen***. As an Active Associate of the 301 FW, Active Duty and Reserve personnel share resources, experience and joint training opportunities to accomplish objectives.
- The 301 FW, an Air Force Reserve Command unit, flies the F-16C Fighting Falcon and is the only AFRC fighter unit in the state of Texas.
- The 24 FS was originally designated **Detachment 3**, March 2012.
- In March 2013, they were redesignated the **Detachment 457**. The 457th Fighter Squadron, nicknamed *the SPADs*, is the wing's F-16 flying squadron.
- In October 2015, they were redesignated the **355th Fighter Squadron**.
- In October 2019, they were redesignated the **24th Fighter Squadron**, nicknamed *the Leaping Tigers*, which was re-activated/re-established after 73 years.
- The 24 FS consists of over 20 Air Force Specialty Codes (or jobs). The Active Duty Airmen support the wing in various roles. Several of their AFSCs include: pilots, maintainers who support maintenance and aircraft maintenance squadrons, medical personnel, logistic readiness personnel and communication support.
- Historically, the 24 FS was first activated as the Provisional Aviation School Squadron, Kelly Field, San Antonio, Texas on May 1, 1917 and after several designation changes was inactivated on October 15, 1946.

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