



# USAFA COLORADO PARENTS' CLUB GOODIE BAGS

## Frequently Asked Questions

### *Is this a fundraising effort and who benefits?*

Yes, this is a fundraiser! Proceeds from the sale of the Colorado Parents' Club Goodie Bags are used to offset the cost of our annual In-Processing Day Picnic. The I-Day picnic is funded by Colorado Parents' Club, held at USAFA, and is offered free of charge to family members and friends of our incoming cadets. We offer an endless supply of Kleenex, breakfast, a barbeque with hamburgers and hotdogs and all the sides and fixings, a clever photo booth, and a chance to write the very first letters that get delivered to basic cadets. Families of incoming basic cadets also get to talk to other more seasoned USAFA parents and even some members of the Basic Cadet Training staff (cadre).

Our current cadets and cadet candidates benefit from this fundraiser because they get to enjoy both the goodie bags and the yummy treats inside. Current parents and cadet supporters benefit because they get to send a little bit of love from home with very little effort. The Class of 2023 basic cadet parents and friends benefit because the Colorado Parents' Club will be able to host a **FREE** I-Day event with them in mind, welcoming them into the USAFA family. This Colorado event has quickly become an endeared time-honored tradition!

### *How much do goodie bags cost and how can they be ordered?*

GOODIE BAG TYPE	COST	ORDER AND DELIVERY DETAILS
<b>3 GOODIE BAG PACK (all 3 must go to the same cadet)</b>	\$60	
<b>Halloween Goodie Bag</b>	\$23	
<b>Valentine's Goodie Bag</b>	\$23	
<b>Spring Finals Goodie Bag</b>	\$23	

Goodie Bags can be purchased via our website (<http://www.USAFACPC.org>) by clicking on the Goodie Bag tab, or by using the mail-in form. Please email [goodieorders@usafacpc.org](mailto:goodieorders@usafacpc.org) for a form. On-line orders use PayPal for credit card payments and mail-in orders can be purchased with a personal check. (Additional mail-in instructions and details can be found on the order form.)

### *Can I order goodie bags for Cadet Candidates at USAFA Prep?*

Absolutely, and Preppies love them! We make all deliveries to "The P" at the same time we do for cadets on the hill. The Spring Finals bags are delivered to align with the academic schedule of USAFA, which occurs after the Prep spring finals and before the Prep School graduation.

### *How will goodie bags be delivered?*

Immediately after assembly, goodie bags are hand delivered to each squadron's Cadet/Cadet Candidate Point of Contact (POC). Each bag is clearly labeled on the outside to facilitate delivery. We will send you (the purchaser) an email notification once the deliveries have been made to the POCs, and then again when the POCs confirm that all bags have made their way to the intended recipients!

### *What is usually in the goodie bags and how are they packaged?*

While the exact content may vary slightly from season to season, we try to include a mixture of non-perishable items that most cadets enjoy snacking on (and trading!). The most recent Spring Finals bag included Gatorade, pudding, nuts, fruit

snacks, beef jerky, Rice Krispy treat, gum, trail mix, Pringles, Gold Fish, Oreos, microwave popcorn, crackers, Nutella-to-Go and applesauce, plus a USAFA pen and pencil. For the Halloween Goodie Bag, we will be switching things up a bit and including a full-size candy bar, Halloween shaped pretzels, hot chocolate, Ramon Noodles and a nifty luggage tag.

Equally as exciting as the snacks inside, cadets love receiving the custom Air Force logo bags! They are re-usable nylon drawstring back satchels that feature the AF logo. Parents and other cadet supporters enjoy these bags just as much as the cadets do!

***Can the AF logo bag be purchased separately?***

No, unfortunately because the custom bags feature the official Air Force logo, our authorization only covers selling the bags filled with treats as a part of our goodie bag fundraiser; we are not authorized to sell them separately. **Tip:** Many families who have purchased goodie bags over the years have saved the bags after the treats are long gone to use as a part of schwag bags they put together for graduation visitors.

***What if I encounter technical difficulty while placing my order online?***

Ah man! If you have problems with the ordering process, please accept our apologies and let us know what you're experiencing. Drop us a note at <mailto:GoodieOrders@USAFACPC.org> and one of our parent volunteers will get right back to you as quickly as we can. If you are placing your order on a mobile device, try switching to the desktop mode (or use a desktop computer) to see if the issue is resolved. If you find that you are able to submit your order form, but can't quite get the payment submitted, let us know and we are happy to send you an electronic invoice.

***If I don't want to purchase a goodie bag for a specific cadet, but would like to make a contribution to Colorado Parents' Club to support the I-Day Picnic, how do I make a donation?***

Thank you for wanting to support this long-standing part of the USAFA I-Day experience! You can visit our website at <http://www.USAFACPC.org> and click the Giving tab. Or, you may send a check made payable to USAFA CPC with "I-Day Picnic Donation – No Bags Ordered" in the memo line to:

USAFA CPC | 6547 N Academy Blvd, #460 | Colorado Springs, CO 80918

You can also purchase goodie bags and indicate that they should be delivered to cadets or cadet candidates who did not have a bag purchased specifically for them. Our POCs help us identify those who could use a pick-me-up. Either way, our cadets and cadet candidates benefit!

**For other questions not covered here, please contact <mailto:GoodieOrders@USAFACPC.org>.**