



Captain Aaron Morris

Commander

U.S. Army Maneuver Center of Excellence Band

Captain Aaron Morris is a native of Finksburg, Maryland. He holds a Bachelor of Music Performance degree from the University of Maryland in College Park, Maryland, and a Masters of Music Education degree from Old Dominion University in Norfolk, Virginia.

Captain Morris began his military career in 2005 as a saxophonist with the 257th Army National Guard Band, “The Band of the Nation’s Capitol”. In 2007, he joined the Training and Doctrine Command Band at Ft. Monroe, Virginia. While at the TRADOC Band, he was the first awardee of the Army Bands Soldier of the Year Award.

Captain Morris received his commission in 2009 from the Officer Candidate School at Ft. Benning, Georgia where he was a Distinguished Military Graduate. He was then assigned to the Army School of Music in Little Creek, Virginia where

he served as Executive Officer. He later served in the Army Forces Command, G-1 as the Staff Bands Officer, at the Forces Command Headquarters at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. In this position he was responsible for the evaluation and support of all aspects pertaining to the 76 FORSCOM Army Music Units.

Most recently, Captain Morris served as the Executive Officer of the United States Army Europe (USAREUR) Band and Chorus. During his tenure with the USAREUR Band and Chorus, the unit performed in over 25 countries for over 750 million people. Some highlights of his time with the USAREUR Band and Chorus include organizing and leading the NATO Saxophone Ensemble at the 2015 World Saxophone Congress, performing at the 2016 Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo, and leading the Soldiers' Chorus in performances in Kyiv, Ukraine.

Captain Morris' military awards include: the Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal (5 OLCs), the Army Achievement Medal, and the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal.