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Utah Guard's Freedom Academy Marks 52nd Year Teaching Leadership and Freedom to High School Student-Leaders

CAMP WILLIAMS, Utah – The Utah National Guard will conduct its 52nd annual Freedom Academy beginning Sunday, July 28, through Friday, Aug. 2.

Approximately 100 high school student-body officers from throughout Utah will attend classes and participate in activities aimed at developing leadership skills, promoting a sense of patriotism and providing motivation to be actively involved in preserving the freedoms we enjoy.

Here is an outline of the events planned for this week:

- **Sunday, July 28** - Opening Ceremony, Camp Williams, 1:30 p.m., Brig. Gen. Kenneth Gammon, Utah Air National Guard, will welcome participants.
- **Monday, July 29** - Guest Speaker, Senator Jake Garn, Camp Williams Readiness Center, 8:50 a.m.
- **Tuesday, July 30** - Utah State Capitol Tour, 9 a.m.; Camp Williams Training Ranges (Equipment familiarization, demonstrations), 12:30 to 4:30 p.m.
- **Wednesday, July 31** - Tour of Utah Air National Guard Base, 9 a.m. to noon; Tour of KUTV Channel 2 Studios, 1:30 to 3 p.m.; Tour of Federal Courthouse, 3:15 to 5:15 p.m.
- **Thursday, Aug. 1** - Camp Williams, Miscellaneous Military Equipment Display, 8 a.m.; Weapons Familiarization, Rappel Tower, Jump Tower, 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- **Friday, Aug. 2** - Graduation, Keynote Speaker, Scott Anderson, 11 a.m.

Media are invited to cover these events. For more information or to arrange a visit, please contact Maj. Matthew Badell at (801) 380-3013.