

## 45<sup>th</sup> LAUNCH SUPPORT SQUADRON



### **MISSION**

The 45th Launch Support Squadron is the "flightline" for Department of Defense (DoD) spacecraft. LCSS personnel oversee spacecraft hardware arrival, processing, testing and launch through direct delegation from spacecraft development wings throughout the DoD, ultimately providing launch base mission assurance for the Program Executive Officer for Space. In addition, the squadron is responsible for ensuring continued delivery of critical mission-ready facilities, training and programmatic resources to the launch group, the wing and its customers. The 45th LCSS strives to be the world's preeminent spacecraft processing and launch support professionals.

### **LINEAGE**

45<sup>th</sup> Launch Support Squadron constituted, 24 Jun 2005  
Activated, 30 Jun 2005

### **STATIONS**

Cape Canaveral AFS, FL, 30 Jun 2005

### **ASSIGNMENTS**

45<sup>th</sup> Launch Group, 30 Jun 2005

### **COMMANDERS**

LTC Eric Bowman

### **HONORS**

**Service Streamers**

None

**Campaign Streamers**

None

**Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

None

**Decorations**

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards

[30 Jun]-30 Sep 2005

1 Oct 2005-30 Sep 2006

**EMBLEM**

On a disc Sable, arrayed to chief three deltas Silver Gray each with a contrail Or fimbriated Tenné issuing from behind a terrestrial globe Proper, environed by an orbit of the fourth charged with a sphere of the second, all within a narrow border Orange. Attached below the disc, a Black scroll edged with a narrow Orange border and inscribed "45TH LAUNCH SUPPORT SQUADRON" in Orange letters. **SIGNIFICANCE:** Ultramarine blue and Air Force yellow are the Air Force colors. Blue alludes to the sky, the primary theater of Air Force operations. Yellow refers to the sun and the excellence required of Air Force personnel. The black background represents space. The three deltas signify the multiple launch vehicles the Squadron supports and the three Air Force Core Values: Integrity First, Service Before Self, and Excellence in All We Do. The earth and orbiting satellite describes the global nature of the unit's mission. (Approved, 28 Dec 2005)

**MOTTO****NICKNAME****OPERATIONS**

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Sources

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