

SIOUX FALLS TECHNICAL SCHOOL

MISSION

LINEAGE

STATIONS

ASSIGNMENTS

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

MOTTO

OPERATIONS

On February 7, 1941, Sioux Falls officials learn that their city would be given "prime consideration" the location for a 15,000-man radio and communications school. Confirmation of Sioux Falls as the site for the school was completed by March, with the city delivering title to the Municipal Airport and 1500 additional acres. The land purchases were proceeding rapid and by the April 3 deadline, only 9.46 acres remain to be acquired in an area extending from Covell Lake to the Municipal Airport.

The Sioux Falls Army Technical School officially closed on May 31,1945. On June 1, it became the Sioux Falls Army Air Field, a redeployment center for men moving from Europe to the Pacific and the continuing war with Japan. Shortly thereafter, it became a separation point as

soldiers became civilians. In three months, a total of 48,738 men came and went while another 10,000 were awaiting separation by the end of September. On December 31, 1945, the Army Air Field was officially deactivated and the property reverted to the City of Sioux Falls.

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