COLONEL DAVID T. BREDESEN

Col. Dave Bredesen is the Deputy Commander, 305th Air Mobility Wing, Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, New Jersey. He leads the wing staff agencies and assists the commander in directing operations at two aerial ports and two airfields in Air Mobility Command's most complex airspace. He manages a \$138 million annual budget, executes global mobility missions supporting nine Combatant Commanders and provides logistics support to 50,000 joint personnel and families.

Colonel Bredesen earned his commission after graduating from the United States Air Force Academy in 2005. He has since served a variety of tours in the C-5 Galaxy aircraft and in contingency response and as a staff officer at the U.S. Air Force Expeditionary Center and the Joint Staff. He is also a graduate of the Advanced Study of Air Mobility, the School of Advanced Air and Space Studies and the Eisenhower School of National Security and Resource Strategy.

Prior to his current assignment, he served as Deputy Commander of the 621st Contingency Response Group, JB MDL.

He is married to Ashley Bredesen and has two children, Tyler and Katelyn.



EDUCATION

2005 Bachelor of Science, Civil Engineering, U.S Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colo.

2011 Master of Science, Air Transportation Management, Embry Riddle Aeronautical University, Daytona Beach, Fla.

2017 Master of Science, Logistics and Supply Chain Management, Advanced Study of Air Mobility – Air Force Institute of Technology, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio

2018 Master of Science, Military Strategy, School of Advanced Air and Space Studies, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2022 Master of Science, National Security Studies, Eisenhower School of National Security and Resource Strategy, Fort McNair, Washington, D.C.

ASSIGNMENTS

- 1. August 2005 May 2007, Student Pilot, Columbus AFB, Miss.
- 2. June 2007 Apr 2012, C-5A/B/M Pilot, Wing Executive Officer, and Flight Commander, Dover AFB, Del
- 3. May 2012 Mar 2015, Phoenix Mobility Officer, Chief of Wing Standardization/Evaluation, Flight Commander, and Contingency Response Element Commander, 621st Contingency Response Wing, Travis AFB, Calif.
- 4. April 2015 Apr 2016, Aide de Camp, USAF Expeditionary Center, JB MDL, N.J.
- 5. May 2016 June 2017, Student, Advanced Study of Air Mobility, JB MDL, N.J.
- 6. July 2017 July 2018, Student, School of Advanced Air and Space Studies, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 7. August 2018 Apr 2019, Deputy Commander, 436th Mission Support Group, Dover AFB, Del.
- 8. May 2019 June 2021, Commander, 436th Operations Support Squadron, Dover AFB, Del.
- 9. July 2021 May 2022, Student, Eisenhower School, Fort McNair, Washington, D.C.
- 10. June 2022 May 2024, Senior Strategist, Joint Staff J8 Warfighting Analysis Division, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
- 11. June 2024 May 2025, Deputy Commander, 621st Contingency Response Group, JB MDL, N.J.
- 12. June 2025 Present, Deputy Commander, 305th Air Mobility Wing, JB MDL, N.J.

SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS

1. June 2022 – May 2024, Senior Strategist, Joint Staff J8 Warfighting Analysis Division, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va., as a colonel.



FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: Senior Pilot

Flight hours: 3100, including 880 combat and combat support

Aircraft flown: KC-46A, C-5A/B/M, T-1, T-37

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Defense Meritorious Service Medal Meritorious Service Medal with oak leaf cluster Aerial Achievement Medal Air Medal with two oak leaf clusters Army Commendation Medal Air Force Commendation medal with oak leaf cluster

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant June 1, 2005 First Lieutenant June 1, 2007 Captain June 1, 2009 Major Sept. 1, 2015 Lieutenant Colonel Oct. 1, 2018 Colonel April 1, 2024

(Current as of June 2025)