

Ohio Adjutant General's Department

Major General John C. Harris Jr., Adjutant General

Give thanks

It's a tradition during Thanksgiving to give thanks for the many blessings of the past year. There are many things I'm thankful for this year. At the top of the list would be the outstanding support of Ohio National Guard Families and employers.

Our Military Families and civilian employers are impacted by deployments, annual trainings and drill weekends. Their sacrifice allows us to focus on enhancing critical military skills during those times away from home. Please let them know how much their support means and how thankful I am of the role they play in the organization's success.

I'm also thankful for your efforts to reach the highest levels of readiness.

You've helped fellow Ohioans with free healthcare, built a specialized camp for children and adults with special needs, and took on the challenge of completing the state's largest disaster response exercise. You also answered the call when your nation needed you for natural disasters and defending the homeland.

Your readiness to serve your state and nation is why we have the world's strongest military.

I hope you're able to take time this Thanksgiving to give thanks for the blessings you've experienced this past year. Enjoy the time with family and friends.

On behalf of Brig. Gen. James Camp, Col. Daniel Shank, and the rest of the senior leadership here at Joint Force Headquarters, I wish you and your family a Happy Thanksgiving.

Always Ready, Always There!

Major General John C. Harris, Jr. Ohio National Guard, The Adjutant General