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First Sergeant Alvin A. Burks is the senior enlisted advisor of the Boise Military Entrance Processing Station.

First Sergeant Burks enlisted in the Army in 1998, processing through the Lansing Military Entrance Processing Station, and completed basic training at Fort Jackson, South Carolina. He served as an administrative specialist, promotion specialist, and actions specialist, 2nd Squadron, 17th Cavalry Regiment, Fort Campbell, Kentucky; administrative noncommissioned officer, 1st Battalion, 9th Infantry Regiment at Camp Hovey, Republic of Korea; noncommissioned officer in charge, Personnel Administrative Center, 551st Military Police Company, Fort Campbell, deploying to Djibouti, Africa, and Iraq; protocol noncommissioned officer in charge and deputy chief of staff noncommissioned officer in charge, Headquarters, United States Army Europe, Heidelberg, Germany; senior human resources sergeant, 3-187, Infantry Battalion, Fort Campbell, deploying to Iraq and Afghanistan; and equal opportunity advisor, 8th Theater Sustainment Command, Fort Shafter, Hawaii.



First Sergeant Burks' military education includes the Warrior, Advanced, and Senior Leadership Courses, Equal Opportunity Advisors Course, First Sergeant Pre-Command Course, and Sexual Harassment Assault Response Prevention Course. He earned an Associate in General Studies from the University of Maryland, Bachelors in Religious Studies from American Military University, Manassas, Virginia; and a Master of Divinity from Liberty University, Lynchburg, Virginia.

His military awards and decorations include two Bronze Star Medals, two Meritorious Service Medals, Joint Service Achievement Medal, six Army Commendations Medals, three Army Achievement Medals and various other service medals and awards. He also earned the Combat Action Badge and Air Assault Badge.