



## Staff Sergeant Matthew Sanchez

Dedicated Crew Chief



Staff Sergeant Matthew Sanchez is a Dedicated Crew Chief on the F-22 Raptor Demonstration Team and a member of Crash Damaged Disabled Aircraft Recovery team. As a Crew Chief, he is responsible for performing detailed inspections, diagnosing malfunctions, replacing components, looking over aircraft maintenance documentation, and ensuring the aircraft is safe for aircrew to fly.

He represents Air Combat Command, the United States Air Force, and the Department of Defense at more than 20 air shows annually. His mission is to ensure the demonstration team has a quality aircraft available to perform a safe demonstration so that millions of spectators are able to see the F-22's air superiority.

Sanchez enlisted in the Air Force on August 15, 2017. He is from Littleton, Colorado and graduated

from Rock Canyon High School in 2014, then pursued 2 years of an Associate's of Science degree at Red Rocks Community College. During his free time, he enjoys camping, hiking, and many other outdoor activities.

### Education

- 2020-Present: Pursuing a Mechanical Engineering degree

### Assignments

- 2017-2021: Assistant Dedicated Crew Chief, 3rd Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, AK
- 2021-Present: Dedicated Crew Chief, 1st Maintenance Squadron, Joint Base Langley-Eustis, VA