

# 52<sup>nd</sup> FIGHTER INTERCEPTOR SQUADRON

## MISSION

### LINEAGE

52<sup>nd</sup> Pursuit Squadron (Fighter) constituted, 22 Nov 1940  
Activated, 1 Jan 1941  
Redesignated 52<sup>nd</sup> Fighter Squadron, 15 May 1942  
Disbanded, 25 May 1944  
Reconstituted, 16 May 1949  
Activated in the reserve, 27 Jun 1949  
Redesignated 52<sup>nd</sup> Fighter-Interceptor Squadron, 8 Mar 1950  
Ordered to active service, 1 Jun 1951  
Inactivated, 8 Jun 1951

### STATIONS

Rio Hato, Panama, 1 Jan 1941  
Albrook Field, CZ, 1 Jan 1941  
Rio Hato, Panama, 21 Aug 1941  
France Field, CZ, 13 Dec 1941-23 Mar 1944 (detachment at Seymour Island, Galapagos, 5 Jun-1 Dec 1942)  
Lincoln AAFld, NE, 8 Apr-25 May 1944  
Hamilton AFB, CA, 27 Jun 1949-8 Jun 1951

### ASSIGNMENTS

32<sup>nd</sup> Pursuit (later Fighter) Group, 1 Jan 1941  
Second Air Force, 8 Apr-25 May 1944  
Fourth Air Force, 27 Jun 1949  
Western Air Defense Force, 1 Aug 1950-8 Jun 1951

### WEAPON SYSTEMS

P-26, 1941  
P-36, 1941-1942  
P-36A  
P-40, 1942-1944

P-40C  
P-39, 1943-1944  
P-39D  
P-39N  
F-82A  
F-82F

## **COMMANDERS**

## **HONORS**

### **Service Streamers**

American Theater

### **Campaign Streamers**

None

### **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

### **Decorations**

None

## **EMBLEM**

None

## **MOTTO**

## **NICKNAME**

## **OPERATIONS**

Air defense for the Panama Canal during World War II.

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Air Force Order of Battle

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### Sources

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