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Lieutenant Scott Goossens, born in New York, New York, and raised in San Francisco, California, graduated from St. Ignatius College Preparatory in 2006 where he lettered in football and soccer. He attended George Washington University in Washington, D.C., where he competed in soccer and graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science in 2010. Following college, he worked in Washington, D.C. in national security and defense policy until 2013, when he joined the Navy and earned his commission through Officer Candidate School in Newport, Rhode Island.

Scott reported to Naval Air Station (NAS) Pensacola, Florida, for aviation indoctrination in July 2013. He completed Primary flight training in the T-6B Texan II at NAS Whiting Field, Milton, Florida, and completed Intermediate and Advanced flight training in the T-45C Goshawk at NAS Meridian, Mississippi. He earned his Wings of Gold in September 2015.

Scott then reported to Strike Fighter Squadron (VFA) 122, the “Flying Eagles,” at NAS Lemoore, California, in October 2015 for initial training in the F/A-18E/F Super Hornet. Upon completion, he reported to the “Eagles” of VFA-115 in September 2016, meeting them while on a WESTPAC patrol aboard USS Ronald Reagan (CVN76). At VFA-115 he participated in the squadron’s homeport change from Naval Air Facility (NAF) Atsugi, Japan, to Marine Corps Air Station (MCAS) Iwakuni, Japan. He also served as the squadron’s Schedules Officer, Line Division Officer, Naval Air Training and Operating Procedures Standardization (NATOPS) Officer, Weapons and Tactics Officer, Assistant Operations Officer, and Head Landing Signal Officer (LSO). Scott completed 7 patrols aboard USS Ronald Reagan (CVN76) in support of Forward Deployed Naval Forces Japan and South China Sea operations.

Upon departing VFA-115, Scott returned to VFA-122 at NAS Lemoore, California, in February 2020, as an instructor pilot, where he also served as an LSO, Schedules Officer, Assistant Fighter Weapons and Tactics Phase Head, and Operations Representative.

Scott joined the Blue Angels in September 2021. He has accumulated more than 2,100 flight hours and has 348 carrier arrested landings. His decorations include the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal and various personal and unit awards.