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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Policy Letter #20 - Army Family Team Building (AFTB)


2. When individuals hear the term Army Family Team Building, many think it is a family readiness group or social organization. AFTB is neither. AFTB is an educational curriculum designed to prepare soldiers and family members to function effectively, in any situation, with minimal support. AFTB not only educates participants about the Army systems available to them, but also provides them with life-skills which translate into positive life choices and professional jobs. We have a dual responsibility in 5th Brigade regarding AFTB:

   a. We use it to empower and educate our own, geographically dispersed cadre, cadets, including Army families who are far from traditional support structures of the Army.

   b. We use it to educate our cadets, their families and friends about the Army itself.

3. All personnel will be afforded the opportunity for every cadre member, civilian, and cadet along with their spouses, fiancées, significant others and/or family members to receive AFTB training. At a minimum, cadets on campus will receive initial orientation to the AFTB Level I modules prior to commissioning. This is intended to supplement, not replace, the Military Science curriculum, the realities of commissioning our lieutenants into an Army at war makes it even more important that spouses, family and loved ones receive AFTB familiarization. Many of our newly commissioned officers deploy to combat mere weeks after completing BOLC III. We owe it to our newest Army families to assist their transition into our Army. I want to emphasize that we exclude no interested party from participating in AFTB training on-campus including interested University staff personnel (i.e. University secretary).

4. To achieve this goal, unit will have one AFTB certified instructor. Template "D" and larger schools will have two. Training opportunities for staff and volunteers can be accomplished through Cadet Command funded training or through local installation training. I recommend that spouses and/or civilian employee volunteers receive priority for certification that have longevity in your organization.

5. For additional information on AFTB, visit the AFTB website at www.myarmyonesource.com/FamilyPrograms/ArmyFamilyTeamBuilding/default.aspx or contact your local Army Community Service Office.
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6. The POC for this action is CPT TaRhonda Blevins at 210-295-0460 or tarhonda.n.blevins.mil@mail.mil.

7. Post a copy of this policy on all bulletin boards.

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