



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

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316TH CAVALRY BRIGADE, US ARMY ARMOR SCHOOL
BLDG 5144, 13TH ARMORED REGIMENT ROAD
FORT BENNING, GA 31905

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MEMORANDUM FOR Incoming Armor Lieutenants

SUBJECT: Welcome to the Armor Basic Officer Leader Course

1. Welcome to the U.S. Army's Armor Branch, "The Combat Arm of Decision", the 2nd Squadron, 16th U.S. Cavalry Regiment, 316th Cavalry Brigade, and the Armor Basic Officer Leader Course (ABOLC). Over the next 95 days, you will learn and exercise how to successfully lead a tank platoon through a program of instruction focused on the fundamentals of maneuver warfare.
2. 2nd Squadron, 16th U.S. Cavalry Regiment trains and develops future Tank Platoon Leaders to be competent and confident mounted warfighters; capable of leading, fighting, and winning "at the point of contact" against any adversary.
3. As commissioned officers, you are expected to report to the Squadron physically fit, morally and ethically sound, and with the utmost professional bearing.
4. Expect this course to challenge you mentally and physically. You must be committed to learn and able to communicate effectively (orally and in writing). Do not wait to arrive to the Squadron to start learning. You will discover the Army expects you to self-develop whenever feasible. A great start point is reading ADP 6-22, *Army Leadership*, CALL Handbook 18-24, *The First 100 Days of Platoon Leadership*, and ATP 3-20.15, *Tank Platoon*.
5. For further information please like us on Facebook at 2-16 Cavalry "Saber Squadron" and visit the 2-16 CAV link at <https://www.benning.army.mil/Armor/316thCav/2-16/>. On our webpage you will find useful information for reporting, suggested reading, and course outline. We frequently add new content to the site so check for updates.
6. Again, welcome to the Armor Branch. I look forward to meeting you. Please call my staff for additional assistance at 706-626-6297 or after duty hours at 706-626-8113.

STRIKE FAST!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chris Kane", written over a large, stylized oval flourish.

CHRISTOPHER R. KANE
LTC, AR
Commanding