

MANEUVER CENTER OF EXCELLENCE
HENRY CARO
NONCOMMISSIONED OFFICER ACADEMY
Advanced Leader Course



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CLASS 001-25 (11B), 001-25 (11C)
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MG COLIN TULEY
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COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR

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COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR

U.S ARMY ARMOR SCHOOL

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SGM STEVEN J. ZEHENDER
MR. RODRIGO ARREOLA

COMMANDANT
SGM STEVEN J. ZEHENDER
MR. RODRIGO ARREOLA

GUEST SPEAKER

CSM DENNIS P. MORTON

HENRY CARO NCO ACADEMY CADRE

1SG KENNETH M. CATO
SFC THOMAS C. STEPHENSON
SFC CORY D. THOMPSON
SFC BRANDON M. SCHNIEDER

FIRST SERGEANT
SENIOR INSTRUCTOR
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SMALL GROUP INSTRUCTORS

SFC NICHOLAS L. GABEL
SSG KEVIN M. BLANKENSHIP
SSG KEVIN M. BAILEY
SSG HARRY H. LANGSTON
SSG STEPHEN M. HANEY
SSG ERIC L. PINSON
SSG KRISTOFFER J. WEST
SSG ANDREW H. WILLIAMS



HENRY CARO

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ACADEMY

ALC FIRST SERGEANT

1SG KENNETH M. CATO

1SG Kenneth M. Cato was born in Shreveport Louisiana, and hails from Gibsland, Louisiana. He enlisted in the U.S. Army on May 19, 2004. He attended One station Unit Training at Fort Benning GA as a 11B Infantryman. His first duty assignment was C-CO 1st Battalion 22nd Infantry Regiment at Fort Hood TX. After the Triangular redesign he was assigned to the 3rd Battalion 66th Armored Regiment whom he deployed with in Dec 2005. After redeploying from Iraq, 1SG Cato was assigned to 2nd Battalion 8th Infantry Regiment, where he deployed again to Iraq in 2008. He has since served with 3rd Chemical Brigade, F-Co, A-Co, and B-Co of the 3rd Battalion 60th Infantry Regiment,

2nd Battalion 34th Armored Regiment, DHHB 1st Infantry Division, 1st Battalion 18th Infantry Regiment, Operations Group NTC, and MCOE NCOA Fort Moore GA.

He has 3 Combat tours to Iraq, and 1 Operational tour to Europe.

His duty positions include Rifleman, Grenadier, Bradley Diver, Bradley Gunner, Team Leader, Squad Leader, Section Sergeant, Brigade operations S3, Senior Drill Sergeant, Platoon Sergeant, Infantry Company 1SG, Operations NCOIC, Senior NCO trainer at NTC, Instructor and currently the 1SG at IN -ALC.

1SG Cato's Military and Civilian education includes NCOES; BLC, ALC, and SLC. He has completed Combat Life Savers Course, Combatives Level 1 and 2, Unit Armorer Course, Sexual Harassment Assault Response and Prevention course, Battle Staff course, Command Post Of the Future Course, Master Resilient Trainer Course, Army Basic Instructor Course, Drill Sergeant School, Common Faculty development-Instructor Course, Evaluating instructors Course, Knowledge Management Course. He has 111 College credits towards his bachelor's degree of Arts in Digital Design with an Emphasis in Animation.



1-50 IN BATTALION COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR

GUEST SPEAKER CSM DENNIS P. MORTON

Command Sergeant Major Dennis P. Morton was born in Dearborn, Michigan, on 28 November 1979. He enlisted in the United States Army on 13 July 2000 to attend Infantry One Station Unit Training (OSUT) at Fort Benning, Georgia.

CSM Morton's duty positions include Fire Team Leader with 3rd Battalion, 21st Infantry Regiment, 1st SBCT, 25th Infantry Division, Fort Lewis, WA; Drill Sergeant with, 1st Battalion, 50th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade, Fort Benning, GA; Squad Leader and Platoon Sergeant with, 4th Battalion, 31st Infantry regiment, 2nd BCT, 10th Mountain Division (Li), Fort Drum, NY; Platoon Sergeant and First Sergeant with, 3rd U.S. Infantry Regiment (The Old Guard), Joint Base Myer/Henderson Hall, VA; Frist Sergeant with 1st Battalion, 19th Infantry Regiment, 198th Infantry Training Brigade, Fort Benning, GA; Brigade Operations NCOIC with, 198th Infantry Training Brigade, Fort Benning, GA; Brigade Operations SGM with, 197th Infantry Training Brigade, Fort Moore, GA. CSM Morton is currently serving the 1st Battalion, 50th Infantry Regiment Battalion Command Sergeant Major.

CSM Morton is a graduate of the Basic Leader Course, Advanced Leader Course, Senior Leader Course, Sergeants Major Course, Pre-Command Course, Company Commander First Sergeant Course, U.S. Army Drill Sergeant School, Heavy Weapons Leader Course, Master Driver Course, and Equal Opportunity Leader Course.

CSM Morton's awards and decorations include: Meritorious Service Medal (two Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters), Army Commendation Medal (three Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters), Joint Service Achievement Medal, Army Achievement Medal (one Silver Oak Leaf Cluster and one Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster), Army Good Conduct Medal (eight award), National Defense Service Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal (two Bronze Stars), Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, NCO Professional Development Ribbon (numeral 3), Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon (numeral 2), Combat Infantryman Badge, Expert Infantryman Badge, Drill Sergeant Badge, German Armed Forces Badge for Military Proficiency, and he is a member of the Sergeant Audie Murphy Club and a recipient of the Order of Saint Maurice.

CSM Morton is married to Mrs. Heather Morton, and they have three children, Jayden, Isabella, and AnnaLeigh. The Morton family resides in Smith Station, AL.

SPECIAL HONOR AWARDS

INSTRUCTOR OF THE CYCLE 11B

1SG SANTOS CARLOS
IN ALC SMALL GROUP LEADER

INSTRUCTOR OF THE CYCLE 11C

SSG STEPHEN M. HANEY
IN ALC SMALL GROUP LEADER

DISTINGUISHED HONOR GRADUATE 11B

SGT KATELYN R. KAREN
B CO , 1-5 CAV, 1ST CAV

DISTINGUISHED HONOR GRADUATE 11C

SGT BRENDON S. MCCOY
HHC 2-34 AR, 1 ID

IRON AWARDEE 11B

SGT NATAHN C. AGUERO
HHC, 2-503, 173RD

IRON AWARDEE 11C

SGT ANTHONY L. MOYER
HHC 2-4 IN AR, 10TH MTN

LEADERSHIP AWARDEE 11B

SGT DEVYN MCINTOSH
C CO, 1-503 PIR, 173RD

COMMANDANT'S LIST

SGT JARRETT BARNES
SGT JAKE BATTALIO
SGT HUNTER BLADEL
SGT SIMS BOSTIC
SGT PRESTON BUTTS
SGT BRYANT COCKRUM
SGT HUNTER HARRISON

SSG LOGAN JONES
SGT OLAJUWON LOFTON
SGT DEVAN PETTIGREW
SGT JAIME RUIZ
SGT DAWSON SCHEUFELE
SGT COREY SELF

CLASS 001-25 GRADUATES

SGT NATHAN AGUERO
SGT MICHAEL ANTHONY
SGT JUSTIN ARCHER
SGT DALE ARTHUR
SGT AUSTIN BEETLESTONE
SGT BAILEY BLACK GILES
SGT ZACKERY BLANKENBECLER
SGT JONATAHN BROWNING
SGT PATRICK BRYANT
SGT ANTHONY CARADORI
SSG JAMES CARROLL
SGT JONATHAN CASTANEDA
SGT CHRYSTOPHER CENKUSH
SGT MARTIN CENTURIONALFARO
SGT GABRIEL CHIANFRANCO
SGT GENE CIAUDELLA
SGT MICHAEL COLLIER
SGT JESSE CORIA
SGT DOMINIC COX
SGT CODY COX
SGT RUSHEAN CUNANAN
SGT KALEM CUTRER
SGT JEFFERY DANIELS
SGT BENJAMIN DAVIS
SGT MIGUEL DE LA CRUZ
SGT BRENTIN DEARMOND
SGT KEAYONNIE DEVORE
SSG BRAD DOWDEN
SGT WILLIAM ELLIOTT
SGT GARRETT EWING
SGT RYAN FERTIG
SGT JAKELIN FREEMAN
SGT ADAM FRISBY
SGT ANDREW FULLER
SGT CULLEN GASPAR
SGT ALAN GIBBO
SGT DANIEL GOH
SGT JOSEPH GONZALES
SGT RYAN GOODSSELL
SGT COLLIN GORMAN
SGT RENZO GUERRA
SGT WESLEY HARPER
SGT MICHAEL HARRIS
SGT PATRICK HARRIS
SGT ALEXIS HERNANDEZ
SGT CLINTON HILL-HOLEMAN
SGT JOSEPH HONGEL
SGT JOSEPH HUMPHRIES
SGT TYDARIUS IVERSON
SGT CENTORIA JOHNSON
SGT MERRILL JOHNSON
SSG RICHARD JOHNSON
SGT BENJAMIN JOHNSON
SGT DAVID LAMARCHE
SSG HERIBERTO LEON
SGT MCKIMLEY LEWIS

SGT JAMES LICHON
SGT OLAJUWON LOFTON
SGT CARLOS LOPEZ
SGT SKYLER MAGNUS
SGT TYLER MANESS
SGT MICHAEL MARTIN
SGT MICHAEL MARTIN
SGT JACOB MCCOTTER
SGT DEVLIN MCFADYEN
SGT SETH MCKENZIE
SGT CHRISTOPHER MELENDEZMENDEZ
SGT BOBBY MIGUEL
SGT JOSEPH MIKOLASZUK
SGT AUSTIN MILES
SGT TYLER MILLER
SGT ANTHONY MOYER
SGT ANDREW NEWSOM
SGT CHRISTIAN OLEARY
SGT RIVAS OLIVARES
SSG ALEXIS ORTIZ RIVERA
SGT ZACHARY PAKULAK
SGT CALEB PARSONS
SGT KRISTOPHER PAVELSKY
SGT CAMERON PAYNE
SGT BATISTE PROVENCIAL
SGT BLAKE RABDAU
SGT ALLEN RAE
SGT DYLAN RAMERS
SGT KEVIN RECTAZO
SGT TATE RICHTER
SGT WYATT ROGERS
SGT ERIK ROISE
SGT MARCUS ROMERO
SGT KEVIN ROSENQUIST
SGT NEKO SALAS
SGT MICHAEL SCHAEFER
SGT DAVID SMITH
SGT MATTHEW SMITH
SGT CLINTON SORAH
SGT RYAN STAATS
SGT COREY STONEKING
SGT REUBEN STUBBS
SGT SCOTT SUTTON
SGT SHAWN TABOR
SGT LANE THOMAS
SGT RYAN TIERNEY
SGT VINCENT TOLENTINO
SGT ISSAC TORRES
SGT ROBERTO VALDEZ RODRIGUEZ
SGT MACAULEE VANDYKE
SGT TAYLOR WAHRENBROCK
SGT ALEXANDER WALT
SGT LAMARCUS WILLIAMS
SGT CORY WISE

Creed of the Noncommissioned Officer

No one is more professional than I. I am a Noncommissioned Officer, a leader of Soldiers. As a Noncommissioned Officer, I realize that I am a member of a time-honored corps, which is known as "The Backbone of the Army". I am proud of the Corps of Noncommissioned Officers and will at all times conduct myself so as to bring credit upon the Corps, the Military Service and my country regardless of the situation in which I find myself. I will not use my grade or position to attain pleasure, profit, or personal safety.

Competence is my watchword. My two basic responsibilities will always be uppermost in my mind—accomplishment of my mission and the welfare of my Soldiers. I will strive to remain technically and tactically proficient. I am aware of my role as a Noncommissioned Officer. I will fulfill my responsibilities inherent in that role. All Soldiers are entitled to outstanding leadership; I will provide that leadership. I know my Soldiers and I will always place their needs above my own. I will communicate consistently with my Soldiers and never leave them uninformed. I will be fair and impartial when recommending both rewards and punishment.

Officers of my unit will have maximum time to accomplish their duties; they will not have to accomplish mine. I will earn their respect and confidence as well as that of my Soldiers. I will be loyal to those with whom I serve; seniors, peers, and subordinates alike. I will exercise initiative by taking appropriate action in the absence of orders. I will not compromise my integrity, nor my moral courage. I will not forget, nor will I allow my comrades to forget that we are professionals, Noncommissioned Officers, leaders!

THE ARMY SONG

March along, sing our song, with the Army of the free.

Count the brave, count the true, who have fought to victory.

We're the Army and proud of our name!

We're the Army and proudly proclaim:

First to fight for the right,

And to build the Nation's might,

And the Army goes rolling along.

Proud of all we have done,

Fighting till the battle's won,

And the Army goes rolling along.

Then it's hi! hi! hey!

The Army's on its way.

Count off the cadence loud and strong;

For where'er we go,

You will always know

That the Army goes rolling along.

A special thanks to the family and friends here to support their Soldiers and their achievements while in the Henry Caro NCO Academy.

You are invited to post photos of your graduates and their loved ones on social media. Tagging @HenryCaroNCOAcademy and using #HenryCaroNCOA helps us to connect the NCO Academy community.