

INTRODUCTION

COURSE MISSION STATEMENT

To promote a team building approach to command by recognizing, inspiring, and educating the Commanding Officers' Spouses so they realize the positive impact they can have on the morale and success of the command.

INTRODUCTION:

This unit touches on the history and philosophy of the Command Spouse Leadership Course and includes general administrative/academic concerns.

GOAL:

The goal of this module is for you to:

- gain an overview of the course
- become acquainted with the instructors, mentors and other students
- address administrative issues



"This above all: to thine own self be true."

William Shakespeare

TOPIC OUTLINE

1. Welcome
2. CSLC NAVADMIN 188/97
3. General information
4. Expectations

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Command Spouse Leadership Course

Command in the Navy is a life-changing event. There is no other responsibility like it. Likewise, the impact of the CO's spouse on the Command is unique. The new CSLC will strengthen the foundation so vital to the readiness of the command. It will provide the spouse with the awareness and individual skills to enable the most positive contribution to the command, family and community environment. By giving the command couple the opportunity to crystallize their joint philosophy in a Command Tour Charter, they will be ready for the unexpected pressures and challenges associated with command. the most successful commands, strong leadership addresses the needs of our families as well as the sailors. Realizing the tremendous sacrifice of and demands on our families during the military member's career, this Command Spouse Leadership Course is offered to complement the Command Leadership Course.

GROUP GUIDELINES

- ❖ Respect others
- ❖ Keep an open mind
- ❖ Encourage others to contribute
- ❖ Speak for yourself
- ❖ Share the airtime
- ❖ Keep “sea stories” relevant and concise
- ❖ Challenge the idea, not the person
- ❖ What is said here *stays* here
- ❖ Vary your seating
- ❖ Ask questions
- ❖ Use first names
- ❖ Wear nametags
- ❖ There are no silly or stupid questions
- ❖ Laugh *with*, not *at*, others
- ❖ Speak so that all can hear