



Eagle Express

Installation Deployment Readiness Cell (IDRC)...Did you Know?

The IDRC is our wing's single source of deployment command and control. This highly flexible team of 6 logistics planners works diligently behind each of the nearly 1,000 annual deployments Dover AFB fulfills. In conjunction with Unit Deployment Managers, this team ensures the overall readiness of the base and coordinates transportation, training, and equipment for Dover's deploying personnel.

Their talents were recently tested...and with astounding results! At the height of our recent exercise, the IDRC received and fulfilled a real world deployment tasking for 30 personnel and 58 tons of equipment for 3 separate geographic locations supporting Presidential travel. The IDRC expeditiously scheduled airlift and coordinated with deployed commanders to ensure our teammates arrived at their locations on time and ready to work. Managing two concurrent operations simultaneously required a phenomenal degree of coordination and attention to detail. These qualities are the traits that consistently ranks our logistics planners among the top in AMC.



Non-Commissioned Officer Professional Enhancement Seminar (NCOPE)

I hope by now you've heard our wing's mission statement: Delivering Today's Airlift...Forging Tomorrow's Leaders. The first part is fairly easy to see and assess. The second part, however, is much less visible. How exactly do we go about "Forging Tomorrow's Leaders?" One very important part of this is the Non-Commissioned Officer Professional Development Enhancement Seminar (NCOPE). NCOPE is designed to enhance, augment, and reinforce an individual's supervisory and management skills. The target audience for this seminar is NCOs that have been out of Airman Leadership School (ALS) for over 3 years but have not yet attended the NCO academy. Refresher items covered in this 4 day seminar consist of enlisted force structure & heritage, ethics & core values, stress management, fitness & nutrition, team building & motivation, manpower, military writing, career progression, the disciplinary process, senior leader perspective, and a chief's panel.

Currently, within our wing, there are over 140 NCOs eligible for this course...are you one of them? The Chief and I encourage you to take advantage of this opportunity to sharpen your skills. There are roughly 40 seats per seminar, with seminars scheduled every other month. For questions or to register, please call SMSgt Janet Lightburn at 677-6363.



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"Deliver!"

