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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Promotion Points for Army Community Service (ACS) Classes

1. On 29 July 2002, the Total Army Personnel Command approved the U.S. Army Community and Family Support Center's (USACFSC) request to offer promotion points for selected ACS courses. Promotion points are an added bonus, not only do soldiers get the benefit of receiving excellent classroom training, they are also enhancing their careers.

2. A total of four promotion points can be awarded for accumulating 40 hours of course instruction. Promotion points are valid when DA Form 87 has been signed by the ACS Director to certify course completion. The ACS courses for promotion points include:

a. New Parent Support Program (NPSP), Parent Education and Support component assists new parents with knowledge about child health and development, and an awareness of appropriate child rearing practices. Among the many topics discussed are understanding children developmental stages, self-esteem, communication, listening skills and stress management.

b. Financial Readiness Training Classes - targets several areas that promote financial literacy and financial wellness. The classes will focus on how to "get control of your budget," credit management, "decreasing debt for stress free living."

c. Operation Ready (OP Ready) Training Classes cover many details about deployment and separation that soldiers and families need to know. Classes provide information on Family Readiness Groups, personal and family readiness, rear detachment support, preparing for deployments, and preparing children for deployments. OP Ready provides an overview of all phases of deployment, sustainment, post-deployment, homecoming and reunion.

d. Army Family Team Building – Level 1 training was designed for family members new to the military. It provides them with basic "survival skills" to enhance their successful transition to the military environment and to become better prepared for the

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many challenges they might experience. The Level I training is the “heart” of the AFTB family member training. Level I training is now accessible via interactive on-line training for our geographically dispersed families. The web site address is: www.armyfamilyteambuilding.org. The family member training material and supplemental guides have been translated in Spanish, German and Korean to meet the needs of our foreign born spouses.

3. Information on each course will be posted on the ACS website at www.goacs.org.

4. All ACS program staff that provide training in these courses must ensure that all of the curriculum materials and lesson plans have been reviewed for accuracy by the trainer. It is important that the curriculum is not abbreviated or changed in any way.

5. Soldiers are not allowed to receive promotion points for mandatory classes such as first termers financial readiness training, and NPSP classes taken as a result of a recommended Family Advocacy Case Review Committee treatment plan.

6. The USACFSC point of contact is Brenda McDaniel at (703) 681-7402/ DSN: 761-7402.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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SUBJECT Promotion Points for Army Community Service (ACS) Classes				LOG CONTROL NUMBER <p style="text-align: center;">N/A</p>											
				DATE <p style="text-align: center;">1 October 2002</p>											
ACTION REQUIRED Commander, CFSC sign the enclosed memorandum															
MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD <small>(Describe briefly the requirement, background and action taken or recommended. Must be sufficiently detailed to identify the action without recourse to other sources.)</small>															
<u>ORIGIN OF ACTION:</u> CFSC-FP															
<u>SUMMARY:</u> On 29 July 2002, the Total Army Personnel Command approved the US Army Community and Family Support Center's requests to offer promotion points for selected ACS courses. A comprehensive marketing plan is being developed to get the information to all Financial Readiness Program Managers, and other personnel that will be a part of this innovative effort. Promotion points are an added bonus, not only do soldiers get the benefit of receiving excellent classroom training, they are also enhancing their careers.															
<u>RECOMMENDATION:</u> That the Commander, CFSC sign the enclosed memorandum.															
IMPLICATIONS: POLICY		YES		NO		BUDGET	YES		NO		MANPOWER	YES		NO	
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