



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
HEADQUARTERS, FIRST STRYKER BRIGADE COMBAT TEAM
4th INFANTRY DIVISION
FORT CARSON, CO 80913



REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:

Office of Commander
First Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division
6791 Utah Beach Road, Building 2132
Fort Carson, Colorado 80913

Future Raider Soldier:

We would like to welcome you and your Family to the Mountain Post, 4th Infantry Division and the Raider Brigade.

This is a high performing unit that has in recent years proven itself time and time again during combat operations in Iraq and Afghanistan. We strive to posture ourselves daily to be prepared to deploy, fight, and win in any combat environment. In order to make this a reality, we conduct operations with a focus on caring for Soldiers and Families, training individuals and formations, developing leaders, and maintaining our equipment.

Soldiers in this Brigade are disciplined, motivated, and physically/spiritually fit. We live the Army Values and Warrior Ethos on and off duty, and Soldiers are expected to do the right thing at all times. Come in excellent physical condition and in accordance with height and weight standards. Physical Readiness Training during your first couple of weeks at Fort Carson will be challenging due to the elevation and possibly the weather depending on the season. We conduct Physical Readiness Training daily from 0630-0800 hours, and PRT is a priority for Leaders at all levels across the Brigade and Division.

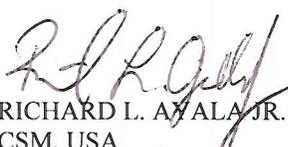
As you transition from your previous duty assignment to Fort Carson, it is imperative you keep a safety first mind set throughout your travels. You are already a valued member of this team, and we are looking forward to your arrival. Upon arrival to Fort Caron, you will inprocess through the Welcome Center (Building 2132) during the first 72 hours. It is important to complete all required inprocessing, including SRP and CIF issue.

We are a command team who trusts and believes in Soldiers and Families. Balance, fundamentals and good communication with your chain of command will be your key to success. This communication will start soon. You can expect a sponsor from your future battalion to email you and to assist you in your transition to Fort Carson. Ensure you establish contact with your sponsor and keep your sponsor informed as you refine your PCS plans.

The Fort Carson website can be accessed at <http://www.carson.army.mil> and provides links to newcomer information. Army Community Service – The Family Connection is also available to assist you and your Family during your transition and can be contacted at (719) 526-1070. You can also “like” the 1st Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division Facebook site at <http://www.facebook.com/RaiderBrigade>. The Brigade Staff Duty can be contacted at (719) 503-1346 as well as the Brigade FRSA at (719) 503-1066.

We are extremely proud to be your Commander and Command Sergeant Major and we look forward integrating you and your Family into the Raider team.

FIRST TO FIGHT! RAIDERS!


RICHARD L. AYALA JR.
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Command Sergeant Major


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