

COMMANDER'S INTENT

Mission

Train helicopter pilots and provide them with the essential skills, judgment, and character required to succeed in the Fleet. We accomplish this through the commitment of our instructors, the determination of our Student Aviators, and the professionalism of our civilian teammates.

We Train Warriors to Fight—and Fight to Win

Our cadre of instructor pilots is experienced, battle-tested, and dedicated to developing the next generation of combat-ready aviators. We will set high standards, demand disciplined execution, and accept nothing less so our Wingers prevail in combat.

Brilliance in the Basics

This is advanced flight training, yet mastery of fundamental airmanship remains our foundation. Success is built through deliberate practice, repetition, and adherence to standards. We will develop permanent habits that produce safe, confident, and tactically proficient aviators. Our duty extends beyond the cockpit. We will build the groundwork for successful naval careers, execute administrative responsibilities with precision, and lead Sailors and Marines with integrity and accountability. In every endeavor, we will demonstrate brilliance in the basics.

There Is No Strength Without Unity

The red, white, and blue of our squadron patch symbolize a team drawn from across the Nation. Mission success depends on trust, respect, and teamwork. We serve a cause greater than ourselves and will make the necessary sacrifices to ensure our colleagues reach their full potential. We will take care of one another, and we will win together.

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