



Cumberland's Military Heritage: From Camp Bragg to Fort Bragg

Learning Objectives

- Learn about the history of Fort Bragg, from its inception through today and the impact it has had on Cumberland County.
- Analyze the effect that the military has on the nearby community and how it is both connected to and separate from Fayetteville and Cumberland County.
- Connect local and military heritage to historic and current events, such as both World Wars, Vietnam, and more recent conflicts.

Discussion Questions

- Why did the government choose Cumberland County as the location of Camp Bragg initially? What advantages does this area have?
- Pick a time period or conflict during the Fort's history (World War I or onward) and research how the units in Fort Bragg served during that period
- How does having a military base nearby affect the surrounding community?

Dive Deeper

- Arrange a visit to the [82nd Airborne Division Museum](#), located on Fort Bragg, or the [Airborne and Special Operations Museum](#), located near downtown Fayetteville.
- Create and do a fitness test, like soldiers do, based on the [Army's Combat Fitness Test](#).

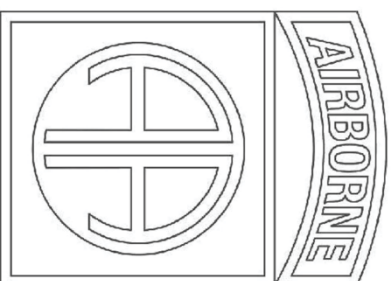
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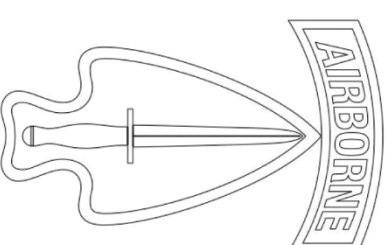
Military Units at Fort Bragg Coloring Sheet (not all inclusive)



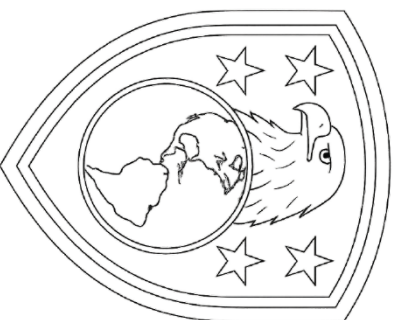
XVIII (18th) Airborne Corps



82nd Airborne Division



U.S. Army Special Operations Command (USASOC)



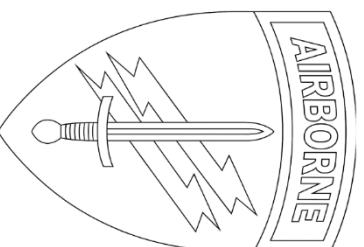
U.S. Army Western Hemisphere Command



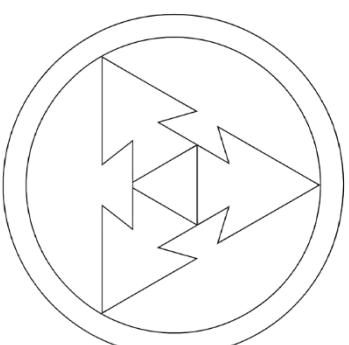
U.S. Army Reserve Command



Joint Special Operations Command (JSOC)



U.S. Army Civil Affairs and Psychological Operations Command



3rd Expeditionary Sustainment Command