



IWAR INFORMATION WARFARE

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The U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School, The Special Operations Center of Excellence, assesses, selects, trains and educates world-class Army Special Operations Special Forces, Psychological Operations and Civil Affairs warriors and leaders, and develops doctrine to support the full range of military operations – providing our nation with a highly trained, educated, adaptive and disciplined force.

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Professionalism starts here. We are an adaptive institution characterized by agility, collaboration, accountability and integrity. We promote life-long learning and transformation. We are THE Special Operations Center of Learning whose credibility in producing the world's finest Civil Affairs, Psychological Operations, and Special Forces Soldiers is recognized and sustained by every single member of our regiments and corps.

- ✦ The U.S. Army is developing a dominant and adversary-focused approach to information by modernizing our information forces to close the gap and surpass our adversaries across all domains in the information and human dimension.
- ✦ The Chief of Staff of the Army appointed the U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School, Special Operations Center of Excellence, to consolidate the Information Operations Functional Area with the Psychological Operations Branch proponent to experiment, modernize training, and develop warfighting capabilities to optimize force structure for information warfare.
- ✦ The Army Transformation Initiative Executive Order directs the consolidation of Functional Area Information Operations (FA30) and Psychological Operations (CMF 37) under a single force modernization proponent.
- ✦ U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School is developing the Information Warfare (IWar) curriculum and will pilot qualification training in the second quarter of fiscal year 2026.
- ✦ The IWar concept of 2040 is ongoing and initiated during the Future Studies Program 26-1 and continues development for 26-2 execution in support of the Chief of Staff's Army Warfighting Concept. Consideration and experimentation for an information warfighting function and warfighting system is ongoing.
- ✦ Experimentation with I CORPS is ongoing to test IWar concepts during FY26 exercises. This includes not only Information Operations and Psychological Operations professionals, but those of Public Affairs, Cyber, Electronic Warfare, Civil Affairs, and Space professionals. This is a multi-compo effort, as the Army National Guard and the Army Reserve have been aligned and participating since the inception of this concept.
- ✦ The U.S. Army will modernize and transform our information forces into a cohesive and agile capable force countering sophisticated Information threats.
- ✦ Headquarters Department of Army is expected to release an executive order clarifying the move of Information Operations proponent to the Special Operations Center of Excellence.
- ✦ The executive order will outline the responsibilities between the Combined Armed Center and U.S. Army Special Operations Command regarding Force Modernization and Branch Proponent for the future of Information Operations, Psychological Operations, and creation of a new IWar Branch.
- ✦ When a Department of the Army General Order is published to establish the new branch, IWar, the branch does not lose any of the critical capabilities that both Psychological Operations and Information Operations provides. Instead, it's an evolution and modernization of those capabilities for the current and modern battlefield.

