

VETERANS DAY SPORTING CLAY SHOOT

All proceeds benefit Military Services & Veteran's Center for Excellence at IRSC





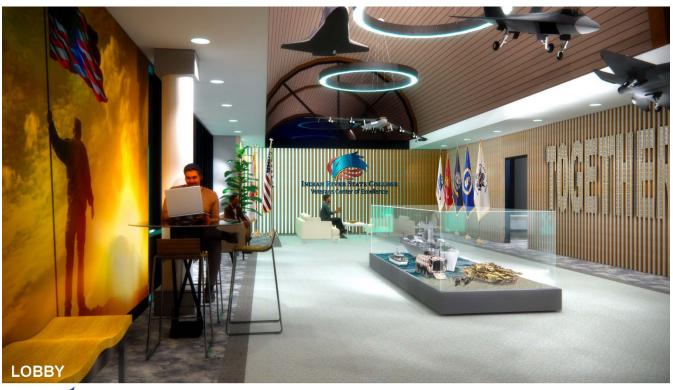
The IRSC Veterans Center of Excellence and Military Services at Indian River State College

Through our **Veterans Center of Excellence (VCE) and Military & Veterans Services** programs Indian River State College (IRSC) provides our nation's heroes elite-level support as they embark on their academic journeys. IRSC serves in-service personnel, veteran students and families who reside in the College's service district of St. Lucie, Indian River, Martin, and Okeechobee Counties. The VCE is located at the IRSC Pruitt Campus in Port St Lucie.

"We all have different needs...IRSC does an outstanding job of providing for veterans.

IRSC puts veterans in the best position to succeed."

Captain Loris "Kag" Cagnoni, IRSC Student and U.S. Navy Seal







Resources for Military & Veteran Students

Student Services include:

- Help with college application process including IRSC Application, VA Education Benefit Application Assistance, Transcript Assistance and Student Records Assistance.
- IRSC processes over 500 VA Enrollment management certifications each semester for military and veteran students and families.
- Assistance with Joint Service Transcript Evaluation
- Assistance with IRSC Credit for Military Training Program that offers Transfer Credits, Credit for Military Experience and Competency Credits for Military Service.
- Financial aid assistance and VA Benefits assistance for veterans, in-service personnel, dependents of deceased or disabled veterans.
- Scholarship assistance through the Indian River State College Foundation.
- Military Tuition Assistance Active military benefit for eligible members.
- Professional academic advising; ensuring VCE students make progress towards completion/graduation as required to comply with VA policy.
- Access to study areas, tutoring suites, computer labs, and student lounge.
- Tutoring resources, faculty advisors and IRSC leadership support and advocacy.
- Opportunity to develop relationships with other VCE students and participate in recreational, social and academic activities.
- Specialized staff to assist with navigating internal resources and providing referrals to outside community veteran resources.
- Student Veterans Organization (SVO) Assistance.
- Military and veteran recognition with graduation cords and challenge coins at graduation.
- Boots to Suits closet. Provides business suits and business casual clothing for veterans need work clothes or suits for job interviews.

Community Outreach includes:

- In collaboration with the Office of Congressman Brian Mast, the VCE hosts
 Operation Sacred Legacy, part of a nationwide project run through the Library of Congress.
- Home to the <u>United States Naval Sea Cadet Corps</u> (Sea Cadets) Neptune Spear Division. Youth (ages 10-18) train bi-monthly at the Center in life skills, maritime knowledge, and abilities specific to the U.S. Navy and the U.S. Coast Guard.
- Partner with the U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs (VA) and the West Palm VA to host **Resource Fairs** at the VCE.
- Supports local veterans' groups with in-kind space. Examples include:
 - #DoYouGiveARuck
 - Treasure Coast Submarine Veterans
 - o DDS4 Vets



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