

## ACTIVITY 1.1

# EXCITING OPPORTUNITIES

This series of presentations is the squadron's first and perhaps only opportunity to motivate prospective cadets to take an interest in the CAP Cadet Program. The goal is not necessarily to convince prospective cadets to join CAP, but to at least attend a couple meetings and see if CAP is right for them. The plan below is intentionally flexible so that squadrons may showcase whatever activities they like to emphasize in their unit. Therefore, the unit will need to be imaginative and do some planning to make this event a success. It is recommended that the unit include a handful of 5-minute presentations about cadet activities to show the diverse mix of opportunities available in CAP. Following this event, prospective cadets and families receive information about CAP membership.

### Suggested Presenters

The unit commander should open this activity with a brief welcome

A number of cadet officers and NCOs should make short presentations (prospective cadets will respond to other teens better than they will adults)

### Duration

45 min

### Goal

Motivate young people to take an interest in the exciting opportunities available to them in CAP

### Visual Aids

It may be useful to have some cadets wear blues and others BDUs, to showcase both uniforms

## ROUGH OUTLINE WITH SUGGESTED EVENTS

1. Welcome by squadron commander 2 min
2. Video introducing CAP to a general audience 5 min (see [capchannel.com](http://capchannel.com))
3. Cadet Presentations (pick 4 or 5) 20-30 min (about 5 min each)
  - Slideshow of recent cadet events
  - ELT / L-Per demonstration
  - Posting of the Colors
  - Slideshow or talk about orientation flights
  - Drill Team demonstration

- Satellite Tool Kit demonstration
  - Model Rocketry display
  - Slideshow or talk by a NCSA graduate
  - Slideshow of encampment activities
  - *Anything CAP-related that young people will find engaging*
4. Closing Video 3 min (see capchannel.com)  
Any exciting CAP video
5. Questions & Answers 10 min