

TIPS FOR A SUCCESSFUL IDE/SDE/ASG PACKAGE

Competitive Packages:

- First Impressions Count
- Letter of Intent
 - Demonstrate the applicant's ability to articulate in written format
 - Clear, concise, and big picture oriented
 - How will this opportunity benefit the Air National Guard?
 - What makes the panel member want to read the package?
- Review AF Tongue and Quill

Endorsements:

- Written from a personal frame of reference
 - A personal recommendation versus a template
- Stratification
 - Counts only if they explain "why" the member is their "number one" officer
 - What makes the member stand above the crowd?
- Future plans for the member
 - How will the opportunity benefit the Air National Guard or the State?

Breadth and Depth:

- Assignments Captured on personnel RIP
- Command Experience Look for the "C" prefix
- Awards and Decorations
- Deployments Annotated in resume and personnel data
- Resumes Match personnel data
- Civilian Experience Accentuate leadership experience

Final Check List:

- Letter of Intent Make the panel members want to read more (not "hunt" for information)
- Endorsements Prepare the draft with a personal touch
- Cross-check the resume with the personnel data RIPS
- Include civilian experience in the resume when supporting breadth and depth of experience
- Tell the story on how this opportunity will benefit the future of the Air National Guard!

