



## **Sergeant First Class Chris Nelson** *Web Master & Designer*



Sergeant First Class Christopher Nelson is an Infantryman with the United States Army who has served over 18 years. He has lead Soldiers as a Heavy Weapons Company driver and gunner, Mechanized Infantry Section Leader, Light Infantry Squad Leader, Reconnaissance Scout Team Leader, Recruiter, Drill Sergeant, Platoon Sergeant. Currently is serving in the role as a Platoon Sergeant for wounded and recovering Soldiers at the Fort Campbell, KY Soldier Recovery Unit.

Sergeant First Class Nelson also has two combat tours including one in Iraq and one in Afghanistan with an overseas tour in Korea as well as a deployment to the Texas southern border. Sergeant First Class Christopher Nelson's education is ongoing with over 56 semester credit hours in Homeland Security through Southern New Hampshire University. His military education/ training includes Infantry Basic Training (OSUT), Air Assault Course, Pathfinder Course, Recruiter School, Drill Sergeant School, Master Driver Course, Unit Movement Officer Course, Equal Opportunity Course, Sexual Harassment / Assault Response and Prevention (Sharp) Sexual Assault Response Coordinator (SARC), Heavy Weapons Leader Course. Basic, Advanced, Senior Army Non-commissioned officer Leader development courses, and the Soldier Recovery Unit Cadre Course. His highlighted awards include: Joint Service Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal (with 5 Oak Leaf Clusters), Army Achievement Medal (with 7 Oak Leaf Clusters), Armed Forces Service Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal, Korea Defense Service Medal, Combat Infantryman Badge, Expert Infantryman Badge, Air Assault Badge, Pathfinder Badge, Recruiter Badge (Gold), Drill Sergeant Badge, German Armed Force Badge of Military Proficiency (Bronze), and the Norwegian Foot March Badge (Bronze).

Sergeant First Class Nelson's hard work and dedication as well as his willingness to help others are just a few amazing traits of his character. His leadership helps set the example for his fellow Soldiers as well as help set a foundation for their future through education and life lessons. IPSLEI has afforded him the opportunity to help that leadership expand as well as help IPSLEI expand its program to achieve its mission.