

**NLTU Norfolk Helps to Develop Community Leaders for Tomorrow  
(PresRel #NPDC0305) – 17 February 2003  
JO1 Jd Walter, *Naval Personnel Development Command Public Affairs Office***

**VIRGINIA BEACH, Va.** – Hall of Fame NFL coach Vince Lombardi once said that leaders are not born, but are made. To that end, Naval Leadership Training Unit (NLTU) Little Creek, Va., created a leadership seminar for high school students called “Dare to Lead.”

Last weekend NLTU facilitators engaged students from Princess Anne High School, Virginia Beach, Va., in their first annual leadership seminar. Participating students came from both the school's Naval Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (NJROTC) and International Baccalaureate, an advanced education curriculum program designed to prepare high school students for college level studies. The seminar exposed students to leadership concepts and skills they will be able to build upon in the future. ITC(SW/AW) Terence Byrnes, facilitator and coordinator of the seminar believes the “seminar will help students not only in their transition into adulthood, but also in becoming greater assets to society”

Eight NLTU facilitators volunteered to teach four essential areas of leadership, ethics and core values, interpersonal relationships and conflict management, modeling leadership, and managing change. The program featured role playing exercises, group discussions, and instructional texts.

“The students’ drive, combined with the knowledge and enthusiasm of the facilitators generated a fulfilling experience for all,” observed LCDR Sana Savage, NLTU officer leadership facilitator.

The “Dare To Lead” seminar supports the Navy’s Flagship Project of Personal Excellence and provides Sailors with an avenue to contribute to the community and play a vital role in developing the leaders of tomorrow.