

ARMY ROTC UNIT

VIRGINIA MILITARY INSTITUTE

SFC SHANE GRINDER

Assistant Military Science Instructor

Sergeant First Class Grinder serves as an Assistant Military Science Instructor for the Virginia Military Institute. A native of Maryland, SFC Grinder enlisted in the Army in 2006, and attended One Station Unit Training at Fort Benning, GA where he trained as an Infantryman.

SFC Grinder has served in every Infantry leadership position from Team Leader through First Sergeant.

His previous assignments include 2-22IN, Fort Drum, NY; 3-15IN, Fort Stewart, GA; 2-502IN, Fort Campbell, KY; Baltimore Recruiting Battalion, and 1-77AR, Fort Bliss, TX.

SFC Grinder is a graduate of Air Assault School; Pathfinder School; Long Range Marksmanship Course; Sniper School; Warrior Leader Course, Advanced Leaders Course; Maneuver Senior Leaders Course; Equal Opportunity Leaders Course and the SHARP Foundation Course.

SFC Grinder's awards and decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal (3), Achievement Medal (2), Army Good Conduct Medal (5), National Defense Service Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal (2), Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary and Service Medal, Korean Defense Service Medal, Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon (3), NATO Metal, and a Meritorious Unit Citation. He's earned the Expert Infantryman Badge, Combat Infantryman Badge, Pathfinder Badge, Air Assault Wings and the United States Army Recruiter Badge. SFC Grinder is a recipient of the Order of Saint Maurice.

SFC Grinder and his beautiful wife, Sharde, have two children: Bryson (12), and Braylon (9).

