

Leadership Principles

Know Yourself And Seek Self Improvement

Evaluate yourself by using the leadership traits and determine your strengths and weaknesses.

Be Technically And Tactically Proficient

A person who knows their job thoroughly and possesses a wide field of knowledge. Before you can lead, you must be able to do the job.

Know Your People And Look Out For Their Welfare

A leader must make a conscientious effort to observe his Marines and how they react to different situations.

Keep Your Personnel Informed

To promote efficiency and morale, a leader should inform the Marines in his unit of all happenings and give reasons why things are to be done.

Set The Example

A leader who shows professional competence, courage and integrity sets high personal standards for himself before he can rightfully demand it from others. Your appearance, attitude, physical fitness and personal example are all on display daily for the Marines and Sailors in your unit.

Ensure That The Task Is Understood, Supervised, And Accomplished

Leaders must give clear, concise orders that cannot be misunderstood, and then by close supervision, ensure that these orders are properly executed.

Train Your Marines And As A Team

Teamwork is the key to successful operations. Teamwork is essential from the smallest unit to the entire Marine Corps. As a leader, you must insist on teamwork from your Marines. Train, play and operate as a team.

Make Sound And Timely Decisions

The leader must be able to quickly estimate a situation and make a good decision based on that estimation.

Develop A Sense Of Responsibility Among Your Subordinates

Give them the opportunity for professional development. Assigning tasks and delegating authority promotes mutual confidence and respect between leader and subordinates.

Employ Your Command Within Its Capabilities

A leader must have a thorough knowledge of the tactical and technical capabilities of the command. Successful completion of a task depends upon how well you know your unit's capabilities.

Seek Responsibilities And Take Responsibility

For professional development, you must actively seek out challenging assignments. You must use initiative and sound judgment when trying to accomplish jobs that are required by your grade.

LEADERSHIP PRINCIPLES

<u>Principle</u>	<u>Example</u>
Know yourself and to seek self-improvement	"Through introspection I will identify my weaknesses and set personal goals to improve on them"
Be technically and tactically proficient	"I will work hard in all my classes to gain a diverse education"
Know your subordinates and look out for their welfare	"I will work to get to know my fellow cadets and their interests & background"
Keep your subordinates informed	"As a leader, I will ensure my fellow cadets know what it going on within the unit"
Set the example	"I will set high standards for myself, act correctly by displaying self-confidence & self-discipline, and perform to the best of my ability in all areas"
Insure the task is understood, supervised and accomplished	"I will use purpose, direction and motivation to explain tasks as a leader and will work closely with my unit to ensure we correctly accomplish all assigned tasks"
Training your subordinates as a team	"Many hands make light work. I will work to ensure my unit works together as a team to accomplish all assigned tasks"
Make sound and timely decisions	"I will work to make good decisions in a short amount of time to gain and maintain the confidence of my subordinates"
Develop a sense of responsibility among your subordinates	"I will work to encourage my fellow cadets to take responsibility for their efforts and their actions"
Employ your command in accordance with its capabilities	"I will only volunteer my unit for tasks that they are trained for and that they can accomplish. I will challenge them with hard work"
Seek responsibility and take responsibility for your actions	"I will seek out challenges so that I will grow through hard work. If I am not able to complete the challenge I will take responsibility"