



Marine Cryptologic Support Battalion Company I Command Philosophy



First and foremost, it is my honor to serve with some of the best and brightest Marines in our Corps. We have the distinction of being the most geographically separated Company in MCSB and the Marine Corps. With this distinction comes a significant amount of responsibility, self-reliance, and discipline. We will live and work by the MCSB motto “Mission First, Marines Always.” To continue on this path, my guidance revolves around several simple additional tenets: Mental and Physical Fitness, Service to Country, Family, and Community, Honesty and Integrity, and lastly, Having Fun.

Mission First, Marines Always. We have a critical mission to satisfy NSA/CSS, MAGTF, and joint force intelligence requirements. We will do this with an unblinking eye and exceptional professionalism. Second, we are Marines, and thus held to a higher standard. Adherence to grooming, uniform, and civilian attire standards is critical. Whether you’re at work or out in town, live by the code of honor, courage, and commitment. Keep your honor clean, have the courage to stand up for yourself, your Marines, and those around you, and uphold your commitment to Corps and Country, and the mission. Lastly, completion of annual training requirements and refreshers on basic Marine and MOS skills keeps us sharp and prepared for crisis or contingency.

Mental and Physical Fitness. Your body should be your number one investment. Take care of it. This goes way beyond simply working out. Set a goal and stick to it, whether it’s increasing your PFT or CFT score, losing weight, or cutting an over-reliance on caffeinated drinks. Next, exercise your brain and keep it sharp. This starts with reading selections from the Commandant’s and DIRINT’s reading lists, completing MCIs and other PME, and culminates with higher education. Get a degree in whatever excites you, and use tuition assistance and grants to get it.

Service to Country, Family, and Community. We have a critical mission and that is priority number one. We are, however, only as successful as our families at home. Focus on the family is critical. Go to family, school, and sports events. Take leave, go on vacation, and stay connected with your family. Additionally, we are ambassadors and guests where we work and live. Take pride in your community, give back, volunteer, and lend a helping hand. Support from the community and families makes us stronger and more successful in mission accomplishment.

Honesty and Integrity. If you make a mistake, own up to it and notify your chain of command. Bad news does not get better with time. Attempting to conceal or being dishonest about a situation only makes it worse. Feigning ignorance is no excuse. If you are aware of wrongdoing, notify someone.

Have Fun. Take your job seriously, but not yourself. Work hard, play hard. Have fun at work and even more fun in your free time. Our Company is spread throughout some of the most amazing and picturesque parts of the Pacific. Take advantage of your surroundings, get out and explore.

– *Semper Fidelis* –

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