

C A D E T L I F E

To Be a Cadet

We are growing larger, but our system will not change. The great advantage of military education is that it is designed to develop character and social skills, and it has worked for hundreds of years. It teaches cadets to function effectively as members of a group to achieve common goals and to function effectively as individuals in performing assigned tasks in a timely and responsible manner. It teaches cadets to be both trustful and trustworthy, because they must rely on the group for support and at the same time give support to the group by faithfully performing their assigned roles. All cadets are held personally responsible for their actions and are expected to behave ethically at all times. Respect for the rights of others is built into the military system. Moreover, the system requires leaders, and they rise to the top. Whether a cadet becomes a high ranking officer or not, he learns a great deal about leadership by observing it in action every day. The military system also encourages patriotism and service to the community, the state, the nation and the world. There is no better system for molding the character of young men.



Cadet Captain Rivers Killen, A Company commander, shows effective leadership by setting an example as he helps a new cadet move into the barracks.