# **GATOR 6, COMMAND PHILOSOPHY**

The purpose of the Command Philosophy is to provide my basic beliefs in leadership and command. It is an overarching framework to guide and operate this battalion. The Marines and Sailors of this battalion are expected to be *BALANCED WARRIORS*; combat ready, responsible, proficient, and professional. We will work as a team, take care of one another, and always complete the mission.

COMBAT READY and it's 3x Pillars:

### **PERSONNEL:**

- Personnel readiness equals administrative readiness. Pay, awards, medical/dental, promotions... pay attention, get it done and get it right.
- Family Readiness- We take care of our families. If the family is taken care of, the individual can focus on mission accomplishment.

# **EQUIPMENT:**

- We fight with what we have- clean and maintain the equipment we have.
- Take care of your gear today so you can use it tomorrow. Take 'ownership' of it!
  TRAINING:
  - Train to standards, think tactically and always move tactically when you leave the ramp. SNCO's/OFF's train and educate. The strength of our unit lies in our Small Unit Leadership and NCO's.
  - Focused training and training like we fight equals battlefield success.

## RESPONSIBILITY

- You are accountable for your actions and lack of actions.
- Use sound judgment, make honest mistakes, learn from them and press on.

#### PROFICIENCY

- Know your job- both tactically and technically. Seek self-improvement.
- Whole Marine Concept- Physically fit, mentally prepared, proficient in your duties.

#### PROFESSIONALISM

- Our core values of Honor, Courage, and Commitment define how we think, act, and fight; never lose sight of our core values. Be guardians of our customs.
- Leadership Principles and Traits- preach them, teach them and practice them daily.
- Respect- Give respect- get respect.
- Discipline and Integrity- the bedrock of our profession. Simply do the right thing.

I am extremely motivated to serve alongside each one of you. You are all members of the most diverse Battalion in all of the 'Follow-Me' Division. Be proud of this unit, be proud of yourself, and be ready when called upon.

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