



TRAINING AIR WING FIVE Mission Statement and Command Philosophy



The mission of TRAWING FIVE is to train, mentor, and deliver the highest quality Naval Aviators who prevail in competition, crisis, and conflict.

To achieve this, we must fly a quality event, take care of our teammates, demonstrate effective leadership, and make sound risk decisions to preserve our people and assets.

Produce warfighters by demonstrating professionalism and training excellence. Professionalism is defined as the skill, good judgment, and respectful behavior that is expected from a person who is trained to do a job well. We will operate as professionals and uphold all standards. Primary and advanced flight training is our opportunity to lay the solid foundation our newest officers need. We will improve our time-tested training and instructional methods by leveraging technology and innovation for maximum effectiveness. Student naval aviators must come prepared and have the desire to succeed. I expect the highest level of preparedness and professionalism from our winged aviators to meet that desire from pre-flight planning through post-flight de-brief. Our ultimate purpose is to shape young officers into men and women of character; training them to fly, fight, lead and win in defense of our great nation.

Take care of the Team. "Mission first, people always." That statement is not new; it is borrowed. Our greatest strength is the exceptional military and civilian personnel that comprise our TRAWING FIVE team; instructors, students, support personnel, and contractors. It is an absolute fact that we can only accomplish our mission because we have dedicated men and women who fly, fix, support and manage our airplanes, helicopters and training devices across the entire training enterprise. By taking care of our people, we set the conditions for each person to reach their full potential and add maximum value to our collective team effort in support of our mission.

Lead with purpose. Every member of our TRAWING FIVE team is a leader. Our leaders share one common characteristic...they lead by example. We strive to excel as an instructor, student, professional military officer or mission support provider. As leaders, we strive not only to do our best but to bring out the best in those we lead. As leaders, we also recognize that mentorship is one of the most critical tasks we are assigned as we train the next generation of Naval Aviators and military officers. As we lead and mentor, remain mindful of our rich history, traditions and culture within Naval Aviation.

Make sound risk decisions. Mission success and safety is not an accident; it is a result of diligently executing a detailed plan, in or out of the cockpit, built on published knowledge and regulations, experience, and careful thought. The consideration of safety shall be an integral part of our planning. We will not do something if it cannot be done with proper planning, a high degree of professionalism and a sensible balance of risk and reward. Procedural compliance should guide us and sound judgment will lead us to the safe execution of the mission. We must remain focused with great attention to detail and vigilant to guard against complacency in order to safely produce the best officers and aviators in the world.

We will continue to produce competent military professionals with impeccable character who are committed to mission accomplishment. Every action we take and every sortie we fly has a direct impact on our mission and our fleet forces.

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