



## Ashtabula County Young Marines Leadership Principles

Leadership principles are general rules that have guided the conduct and actions of successful leaders of the past. There are 11 principles to live by. The following are the principles of the Marine Corps and will be adopted by the Ashtabula County Young Marines.

### 11 Principles of Leadership

1. Be technically and tactically proficient.
2. Know yourself and seek self-improvement
3. Know your Young Marines and look out for their welfare
4. Keep your Young Marines informed
5. Set the example
6. Ensure the task is understood
7. Train your Young Marines as a team
8. Make sound and timely decisions
9. Develop a sense of responsibility in your subordinates
10. Employ your command in accordance with its capabilities
11. Take responsibility for your actions

### Young Marines Leadership Traits

- **Bearing** – The way you conduct and carry yourself
- **Courage** – Is what allows you to remain calm while recognizing fear
- **Decisiveness** – Able to make good decisions
- **Dependability** – You can be relied on to perform your duties properly
- **Endurance** – Mental and physical stamina to withstand pain, fatigue, stress, and hardship.
- **Enthusiasm** – Sincere interest in the performance of your duties
- **Initiative** – Taking action even though you haven't been given orders
- **Integrity** – You are honest and truthful in what you say and do
- **Judgment** - Ability to think about things clearly and calmly
- **Justice** – The practice of being fair and consistent
- **Knowledge** – Understand the science and art.
- **Loyalty** – Devoted to your God, Country, Family, and the Young Marines
- **Tact** – Deal with people in a manner of good relations and avoid problems
- **Unselfishness** – You avoid making yourself comfortable at the expense of others