



REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF:

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
COMMAND AND GENERAL STAFF SCHOOL  
DEPARTMENT OF DISTANCE EDUCATION  
290 STIMSON AVENUE  
FORT LEAVENWORTH, KANSAS 66027-1293

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MEMORANDUM FOR CGSOC Distance Learning Students

SUBJECT: Academic Misconduct

1. Congratulations on your decision to pursue Intermediate Level Education (ILE) – Common Core and Advanced Operations Course (AOC) through Distance Learning (DL).
2. As you begin your studies with the Department of Distance Education (DDE), unfortunately the issue of academic misconduct must be addressed. As part of your enrollment, each of you signed an Academic Ethics Statement, it is important to understand and follow the guidance therein. Plagiarism is the most common issue seen whether other published works or another students' work.
3. We encourage students to share knowledge and work together – the result being a better field grade officer. However, you must remember that some of your academic assessments are a reflection of your individual work as dictated by the course learning objectives. Your work must be a reflection of your individual effort in order for us to determine whether you have met the learning objectives and course requirements for graduation.
4. Academic misconduct is a serious violation that can result in an AR 15-6 investigation. If the investigation determines a violation occurred, students may be dismissed from the course with no chance to reenroll and may potentially receive a General Officer Letter of Reprimand. To understand real-life consequences of plagiarism, I would urge you to research former Montana Senator and U.S. Army Colonel John Walsh.
5. The DDE faculty and TASS faculty are outstanding professionals and available to assist you in all stages and modalities of ILE, Common Core and AOC. If you have questions or concerns about what support or assistance may be allowed – or if some action might cross the line into academic misconduct – contact your advisor or faculty immediately to seek clarification.
6. I wish you the best in our course and in your career.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ash D. Worboys", written over a horizontal line.

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