CIVIL AIR PATROL

1.1 Cadets with Special Needs

TRAINING LEADERS of CADETS INTERMEDIATE COURSE

KEY QUESTIONS

What is CAP's policy regarding diversity and inclusion as it related to cadet with special needs?, and what specific accommodations might local leaders use in serving them?

Topics

Policy & Vision
Where to Start
Case Studies
Final Thought

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PREAMBLE to the CAP NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY

When Civil Air Patrol formed in the early days of World War II, many of our first volunteers were patriotic citizens unavailable for military service who nevertheless were determined to serve their nation in a time of need.

CAP welcomed women, World War I veterans, teenagers, senior citizens, disabled persons, and other volunteers. Our history is built upon a wonderful inclusiveness found only in a democracy.

While the military's accessions requirements are necessarily limiting, CAP draws its strength from the fact that as a *civilian* auxiliary of the Air Force, we can and do include Americans from all backgrounds in our important work.

Today that proud tradition continues . . .





How might I modify
the environment so the cadet
can thrive?

STARTING POINTS FOR ACCOMMODATIONS

Listen for cadets' & families' requests for assistance

Ask how the cadet might be assisted at home or school

Invite a parent or guardian to participate as CSM

Call wing or national for best practices





EXERCISE

Example	Wrong Mentality	Potential Accommodations
I - Simple Accommodations		
1. Broken Arm	What's the	What are some
2. Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder	"wrong"	potential
3. Social Anxiety Disorder	mentality to	accommodations
II - Moderate Accommodations	take in this	that can further
4. Dietary Restrictions	scenario?	maximum inclusion?
5. Encampment Arrival		
6. Group Showers		
III - Complex Accommodations		
7. Blindness		
8. Paralysis		

FINAL THOUGHT

"When I was a young coach, I used to say,

'Treat everybody alike.'

That's bull. Treat everybody fairly."

- Paul "Bear" Bryant