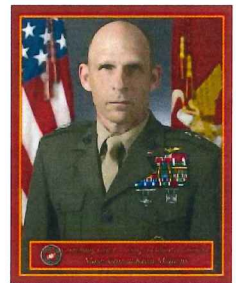




**COMMANDING GENERAL
TRAINING AND EDUCATION COMMAND
SAFETY STATEMENT**



The Safety Program for Training and Education Command is an extension of our warfighting culture. Every action must reflect a deep personal commitment to operational excellence, and the steadfast protection of our most valued asset - our people!

Safety is the vital by-product operational excellence. If you are doing things right, you will be doing them safely. It is critical to our readiness that we demonstrate our commitment to this mission and to one another. Our constant focus in this regard must be toward risk awareness and mitigation, and force preservation must be the standard. We will reinforce our commitment that safety through excellence is the responsibility of every individual in this command.

Our guiding principle is that we will work to mitigate risks and hazards by thoroughly analyzing situations, communicating effectively, utilizing authorized SOPs, and practicing and/or rehearsing actions. The goal is to eliminate negligence, reduce mishaps and lessen their possible severity.

Education and training are our most effective prevention tools. Through continued efforts in these lanes, we will work to eliminate the senseless and needless loss of life, injury, and damage to property, both on and off duty.

I need all leaders to be engaged and equipped with the mindset of "Operational Excellence". Your pursuit must be unwavering. I expect your best and challenge you to accept nothing less. Think before you act and take care of one another so that we will be ready when called upon.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kevin M. IIAMS".

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