
Subject: Re: Soldiers disrespect towards cadets.
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I AM one of those veterans.

I knew a kid just like you when I went through. He was so proud of those "medals" and it took about a week before the group threatened his life, and he was removed from command of our group. Then he found out he couldn't wear them and sulked for the rest of boot camp.

Do you know who was his senior enlisted NCO by the end of his career?
Me.

With a chest full of real medals earned on three deployments to the persian gulf. And to be honest, even they don't mean anything now... Meanwhile, Mr. "I have ROTC medals" spent three years smoking and drinking himself into a bitter hole and never saw combat until he was reassigned to our unit.

They mean nothing once you enlist/get commissioned.

Honor is earned through service. You need to be humble, respectful and deal with the losers who throw their weight around by doing the exact opposite of what you want to. Because that's how a military man does business.

No excuses, no blame, no whining about fairness.

He faces the adversity, digs in, and comes out stronger than before.

Now is a great time to start doing just that. Instead of dishonoring the corps by bringing this into a format that couldn't possible understand why uniforms and discipline matter.

Our uniform represents the United States of America. We are the ambassadors to the world and the respect that is given to those who wear it was earned in blood.
