

## Spring 2025 Continuity

Job Title: Communications & Outreach Commander

Immediate Chain:

- Wing Commander
- Chief of Staff
- A6/7

Area of Responsibility:

Summarize what your job entails.

My position as the Communications and Outreach commander is to manage the effectiveness of our sections in Public Affairs, Community Support, Project Warrior, and Knowledge Operations. This means supporting the detachments with morale-based initiatives by highlighting our successes.

Weekly Flow: What tasksers do you do every week? Are there set deadline? Does your workload vary week to week?

Weekly tasks I do typically come from our chief of staff; these are special requirements that have to be fulfilled. Other than that, I allow my team to have their creative freedoms but offer my insights and advice as we go forward.

The workload does change week by week. At times, it will feel as if nothing is required of me, but in most cases, I can be taking on a lot if my team requires assistance or specific tasks fall to me. It is

	important to have good time management. I am taking on a very demanding degree, so my workload for school has been a hassle to coordinate with my ROTC duties.
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<p><b>Struggles I Experienced:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. I struggled with having a management position at first, as my task was to oversee rather than do it myself.</li> <li>2. Communication with both my team and higher positions was troubling at times. At the beginning, I had to basically track my team down to know what's going on in their chains. While for higher staff, although it was resolved, there were times I did not receive any information until the last minute, and had to use my school time to finish a task I had no warning about.</li> </ol>	<p><b>How Did I Address the Struggles?</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. I learned about patients and trust. I was lucky to have a very self-sufficient team. I just ensured they knew I was readily available and allowed them to perform, as I would have appreciated that if I were in their shoes</li> <li>2. Properly communicating with my higher-ups would have helped. I hate the blame game, if I could have done more on my part. Everyone is busy, so sometimes you have to be the one to step up to them and double-check if they need anything from you.</li> </ol>
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<u>Advice:</u>
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- Find your balance of being hands-off to allow your team to have expression in their jobs, but also be available and ensure they are meeting your standards.
- Study each job under your chain as if it is your own; it never happened, but it felt good to know I could do any of my team's jobs if they needed a break.
- Stand up for your team. There may be times when other chains may not agree with what your team is doing, but have trust in them and their actions.
- Be Positive! The job is to bring joy and engagement, I made the mistake of not doing so due to my schooling taking a toll. If I could do it all again, I would definitely bring in a hyped personality.

Resources/Links:

Link to A6/7 Spring 2025 drive:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1tIxdzRcStWB3FKpjOiPnZTkqbaQxlkey?usp=sharing>

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