

VMFA-122 Commanding Officer – Family Readiness Policy



To the Marines, Sailors and families of VMFA-122,

I am excited, humbled and honored to be in command of the “Werewolves.”

My vision for this squadron is a *passionate and disciplined commitment to balanced excellence in everything we do as Marines, Sailors and civilians*. Balance can only be achieved through family support – support both by and for our families. My personal priorities are ***Family, Country and Corps***.

From the World War II Pacific campaign, to Vietnam and the Global War on Terrorism, VMFA-122 has established a remarkable legacy of service to country and Corps. I am honored to command the best squadron in the Marine Corps. This squadron only achieves this impressive level of service with impressive families, and it will only maintain and improve on this foundation of excellence with informed, supportive and engaged families – to include all born, sworn or married into the extended “Werewolf” family.

My effectiveness as the commander is a direct result of open communication throughout this command and its families. I believe family readiness is a collaborative effort that is enabled and empowered by the communication facilitated by our Family Readiness Officer, Ms. Sarhi Wiggins (sarhi.wiggins@usmc.mil), and the Family Readiness Advisors. Combined with the direction from the command team, the efforts of our volunteers and the resources available through Marine Corps Family Team Building and www.militaryonesource.com, the VMFA-122 Family Readiness Team will enable balanced excellence and mission success for this squadron.

There will be challenges and it is important that we engage in solution-based thought and action – the health of the squadron’s family readiness will be determined by: (1) being empathetic; (2) gathering correct and quality information; (3) understanding the best way to assist; (4) taking action that is in the best interest of the Marine Corps and our families; and (5) learning from each action to always improve how we help our families deal with the unique challenges of serving our country in this critical time in its history.

Ready families are as critical to mission success as the Marines, Sailors, aircraft and equipment that make up this squadron. I am looking forward to the history we will make together!

Semper Fidelis,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Wade E. Wiegel", written over a circular stamp or seal.

Wade E. Wiegel

Lieutenant Colonel, United States Marine Corps
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