

PRINCIPLES

Staunton is essentially a military school. The school authorities promise parents and guardians supervision of cadets entrusted to their care.

Four basic principles guide cadets in the performance of duty: honesty, cleanliness, and punctuality, and thoroughness. Cadets will apply these principles constantly.

1. **HONESTY:** A cadet in his life at Staunton will measure his actions by a standard of honor which will make him true to himself, to his duty and his fellow cadets in the broadest and best sense. He must realize that it is unfair to any cadet to allow himself to fail in his duty and by so doing, build up habits of carelessness and disrespect for law. Similarly, with regard to himself, he must feel that evading punishment or securing anything to which he is not clearly entitled cannot compensate for a lower standard of honor.

2. **CLEANLINESS:** A cadet will be clean in the most exacting sense of the word. His hair must be short, face clean shaven, and his body and clothing clean at all times. His equipment, furniture, room, and every place for which he is responsible will be kept clean and neat. Articles which can be shined, will be kept so.

3. **PUNCTUALITY:** A cadet will be punctual at every duty and appointment whether he is summoned by a general call (Bugles, bells, etc.,) or is obliged to watch time for himself.

4. **THOROUGHNESS:** In the performance of duty, military, or academic, a cadet will fully inform himself as to his duty and be thorough and painstaking in carrying such duty to completion at the time prescribed.