



Fellow Leaders,

When I was a young leader, a mentor taught me that leader development doesn't happen naturally...that leaders must *forge* opportunities to develop themselves and their teams.

Years later, I experienced first hand how difficult it is to create growth opportunities amidst the daily grind of emails and meetings. I learned (the hard way) that every leader must invest in their own development if they want to succeed.

And for nearly a decade, I have offered *The Military Leader* blog, book, and podcast to augment your leader development and give you insight to share with your teams. Recently, though, I feel that publishing and social media engagement are simply not good enough.

**Leaders want authentic connection with trusted leaders in a safe space...**and I would like you to join a place designed to provide just that.

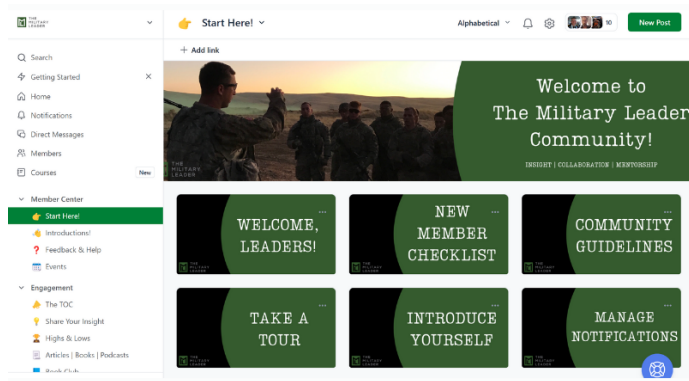
Introducing...*The Military Leader Community!*

*The Military Leader Community* is a private, online space that is powered by [Circle.so](https://circle.so) and provides a safer, more personable place for leadership growth than social media allows. I'll go one step further and declare that community is the next evolution of online engagement. And we are at the leading edge of that evolution.

*The Military Leader Community* is a mastermind leader development experience, where leaders of all levels and professions can collaborate, exchange insight, and engage in ways that no leader development program can provide. Envision a stream of posts, lessons, articles, videos, book clubs, mentorship spaces, and virtual events for you to attend and explore as you wish. It is also a place for you to connect with fellow leaders, pass on lessons, and form mentoring relationships.

## The Flagship Cohort

A select group of leaders will be the very first members of what will be a vibrant, collaborative leader development opportunity. This founding group is called the *Alpha Cohort* and I'd like you to be a part of it.



Just to clarify... *The Military Leader Community* is still in development and months away from publicly inviting dozens, even hundreds more into the Community. That's why I've asked you to be here. Your engagement and feedback is vital in building a Community that delivers significant personal and professional growth.

## Action Steps

If you are ready to jump into *The Military Leader Community*, register [at this link](#) and look for information about the next Kickoff Event, where we will welcome you and orient you to the Community.

Again, thank you for being a part of this endeavor to build a place for meaningful leader development. I've invited you to the Alpha Cohort because I believe you care about growing yourself and others as much as I do. And I know your participation and feedback will be highly valuable in this effort.

Lead well,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Drew Steadman', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Drew Steadman  
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P.S. Please head over now and [register for the Community](#). Thanks!

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