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Sierra Sage Academy offers students unique learning and skill-building opportunities that guide them on their path to success. Sierra Sage staff Belinda Contreras and Ronald Durst (who are current and former military personnel, respectively) expanded these opportunities by initiating a California Cadet Corps program on campus last year to promote the values of leadership, persistence and critical thinking skills to our young women.

The California Cadet Corps seeks to create outstanding leadership development opportunities for students and to transform them into tomorrow's leaders and community builders. The program is overseen by the National Guard, and during a recent inspection of the battalion, SSA students demonstrated their skills and knowledge of drill and ceremonies through a flawless command brief presented to the inspecting officers.

The visiting officers praised the Cadets' hard work and dedication to their battalion. They took special note of their teamwork and how well-spoken the girls were in responding to questions. The Sierra Sage Cadet Corps will continue to create unique opportunities - Leadership Schools, Summer Camp and merit competitions - to help our young women grow into motivated leaders and contributing members of their community.

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