John Wooden’s Pyramid of Success

In a period of 14 years, ending with his tenure at Indiana State University, John Wooden worked on his famous “Pyramid of Success.” He put success, according to his definition, at the apex.

“The first two blocks of the pyramid are the two cornerstones because to be strong, you have to have a strong foundation,” said Wooden. “The cornerstones of success to me, in anything, are hard work and enjoy what you’re doing. So, one cornerstone is industriousness and the other is enthusiasm.

“Success is peace of mind which is a direct result of self-satisfaction in knowing you did your best to become the best that you are capable of becoming.”

- John Wooden