

**JROTC is one of the best
citizenship & leadership
programs in the Nation!**



ARMY JROTC

A CHARACTER & LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

The JROTC program is a high school course with regular classes during normal school hours. When you look at the way it benefits your students and school, it is in a class by itself.



Good Students. In addition to teaching leadership, success skills, physical fitness, health, and citizenship, JROTC also teaches students how to efficiently improve their school work. Students are taught how to study more effectively enabling them to be more focused and proficient while taking tests. This is just the beginning to impressive results.

Great Learning. The structure of the JROTC curriculum takes students beyond normal modes of classroom learning instilling a sense of discipline, confidence, and the belief that they can do whatever they set their minds to. The results can be dramatic.

“Sometimes it takes a single thing to shape us, to mold us into who we become. Because I was encouraged years ago ... I am where I am today.”

Mary Rounds, Principal
Caddo Parish Magnet H.S, LA



Better Grades. A majority of cadets become motivated to be successful academically largely due to the program structure, the experience and character of the instructors, and the state of the art curriculum. This increased motivation has an impact on all classes.

High Graduation Rates. Many cadets report they perform better in their academic classes not only as a result of the motivation and inspiration they experience from their participation in JROTC,



“Our JROTC cadets learn the necessity of community service. These young men and women certainly demonstrate what America should and can be.”

**Richard W. Adams, Former Principal
Butler H.S., Butler, PA**

Classes are taught by retired Army officers and noncommissioned officers experienced in working with young people.

but also because course materials augment and reinforce their academic subjects. Annual reports consistently indicate that cadets graduate at a higher rate than other students in the school.

Better School Community. JROTC brings students together who are on different learning tracks and from different ethnic and cultural backgrounds. JROTC Cadets do not just come together as classmates; they work together as a team, learning and growing while supporting each other.

Increased Involvement. Students who want to belong to something positive and meaningful find the JROTC program gives them an alternative to the usual mix of high school sports and integrated-curricular activities. JROTC is a different kind of team with diversified challenges and rewards.



Color guards add a ceremonial atmosphere to community events and bring prestige to their schools.

Solid Citizens. JROTC goes well beyond the classroom. By providing many opportunities to participate in community events and to volunteer for community services, it leads cadets to a practical understanding of how to be good citizens.

It is important to know that JROTC is not a recruitment nor an indoctrination program. The military structure is only a vehicle to develop and improve students' self-discipline, confidence, and pride in ways schools generally do not offer.

"There is nothing wrong with America that the faith, love of freedom, intelligence and energy of her citizens cannot cure."

Dwight D. Eisenhower
34th President of the U.S., 1953-1961

Our goal is to develop good students and citizens. Nothing is more rewarding than JROTC integrated-curricular activities. JROTC uses a unique but proven approach across the world to guide students toward success in high school, college, and beyond.

More than a class. The curriculum is but one ingredient in the equation of achieving success. Instructors work closely with principals and teachers in host schools to add value. JROTC is part of the overall effort to build emotional and academic skills, as well as good character and citizenship. Cadets learn leadership skills by earning more demanding positions of leadership as they rise through the ranks of the corps.

Through studies, activities, and service learning Cadets incorporate into their way of life success skills such as setting goals, developing winning habits, overcoming fears of failure, developing personal and social responsibility, and learning how to make decisions and solve problems. They learn to feel pride in a job well done.

Recognition. The program reinforces performance, not just in JROTC, but in all classes with a system of recognition for accomplishments and excellence. When cadets perform well in leadership, community service, academics, or other activities, they are recognized in well attended, formal ceremonies with promotions, ribbons for their uniforms, and leadership positions in drill, academic, and leadership teams.

The Instructor. These professional military retirees have already sacrificed so much and are now giving back again. They are not guided by a time clock, but rather by their mission. In addition to what they naturally bring to high school students around the world, they have also stepped up to the challenge of integrating technology, embedding research based strategies, and embracing student-centered learning in their classrooms. Values like loyalty, respect, responsibility, service, honor, integrity, and personal courage cannot easily be taught in class. These values cannot be taught in books. Except, maybe, through the JROTC curriculum.

Mentoring. JROTC instructors use their extensive background of experience while working closely and successfully with young people. Their one-on-one guidance, reassurance, advice, and personalized instruction help to meet the specific needs of individual students. They are excellent role models who pull from a vast experience of working with young people.

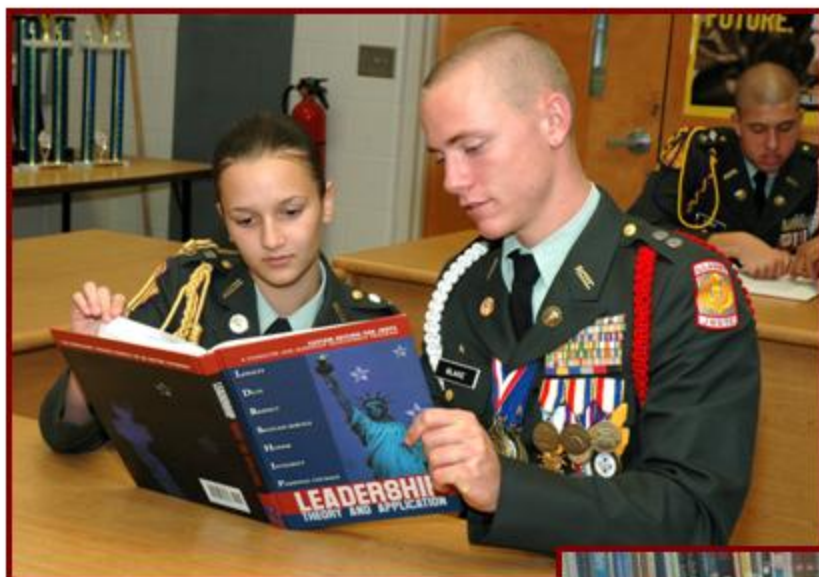
**“Make every day a great day.
When in doubt do the right thing;
Leadership is 24/7 and character
always counts.”**

LTC (Ret) Bob Lewis
Lakewood Ranch HS, FL



Confidence training at JROTC Cadet Leadership Challenge (JCLC): it's challenging, and it's fun.





“JROTC advantages outweigh the cost. It is one of the most cost effective improvements a school can make. I stand 100% behind this program and would recommend it for every high school student. MEGA HOOAH!”

COL (Ret) Carlos R. Glover
Former Commander, JROTC

Cadets develop friendships that last a lifetime.

Perfecting. JROTC students become positive representatives of their schools and communities by honing their leadership and confidence skills through their extracurricular activities.



Participating in drill, color guard, academic and leadership competitions, and camps challenge cadets to sharpen their leadership, academic, and confidence skills, as well as to strengthen their ability to work as part of a team.

Members of the color guard, drill, academic, and leadership teams, as one principal says, “serve as ambassadors for the school and the school district.” Their performance at school and civil ceremonies/events provide their school with a proud presence in the community. No course is more rewarding than JROTC.

Low Cost Partnership. The Army JROTC program can be administered and taught by as few as two instructors; one Senior Army Instructor, and one Army Instructor, for up to 150 students. The Army JROTC supplies textbooks, instructional materials, uniforms, insignia, flags, and equipment needed to run the program. Host schools supply adequate classrooms and administration and storage space along with office equipment and a drill area. The Army JROTC and school share the instructors’ salaries. JROTC advantages outweigh the cost. It is one of the most cost-effective improvements a school can make.



“It is an honor and very humbling experience to be thought of as a role model. Each day I challenge Cadets to have the courage and initiative to do their best and regard a set back as an opportunity to grow.”

MAJ (Ret) Monte Mingus
Governor John R. Rogers H.S., Puyallup, WA
2006-2007 SAI of the Year

Trained and Experienced. The instructors are hired by the school and are responsible to the principal. But they are trained and certified in proven instructional techniques by the Army. They are qualified to teach JROTC and embedded subjects such as physical fitness and health by U.S. Code Title 10. As retired military personnel, JROTC instructors bring their

years of experience and training to work with young people. They make excellent teachers, exceptional role models, and mentors.

Easy. The JROTC program requires enrollment of no less than 100 cadets or ten percent of the total student body. The Army supplies the materials and documentation needed to establish the program (<http://www.usarmyjrotc.com>). Students who add JROTC to their schedule receive encouragement to maintain a high GPA.

JROTC Mission. “To motivate young people to be better citizens.” The Army has succeeded in promoting a drug-free, constructive, energized learning environment for each school that hosts a unit. **Join the team!!**

Questions People Ask:

Q. You say you're not recruiting, but don't many JROTC graduates enter the military?

- A. Many cadets find they enjoy military discipline and structure; it brings out their best and allows them to excel. Some Cadets will win appointments to one of the military academies. Other Cadets who enlist in the military will enter at a higher rank allowing them to earn greater pay and responsibility. However, great the benefits, it is important to note that the JROTC program is not set up to recruit and does not request or expect a military commitment of any kind.

Q. Can JROTC help students go to college?

- A. We definitely can help. JROTC training improves the ability to study, to take tests, to set goals, and to focus.

Q. Do cadets have to wear uniforms?

- A. Yes, but usually only once a week or when taking part in special ceremonies. The rest of the time, normal clothing is fine.

Q. Are there any fees for uniforms, books, or special equipment?

- A. The JROTC program supplies uniforms, books, and all equipment used in the course, free of charge.

Q. Is JROTC as hard as it sounds?

- A. The course is demanding, but most of the students who make an effort really enjoy the challenge and thrive on the hard work and discipline.

Q. Who teaches JROTC?

- A. Retired Army personnel with years of experience working with young people. Instructors are certified by the Army, but they are hired by, and work for, the school. Besides having state-of-the-art instruction techniques at their command, JROTC instructors serve as exceptional role models for maturing teenagers.

Q. Are there any age requirements for JROTC?

- A. There's no firm age requirement, but students must be in a grade above the 8th grade to take JROTC.

Q. Where can I get more information about JROTC?

- A. The guidance counselor at the school or the JROTC instructor will be happy to meet with you and answer any questions. You can also visit the JROTC web site at <http://www.usarmyjrotc.com>.

