

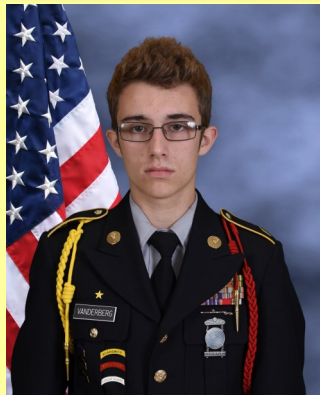


Cadet Life

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Cadets of the Quarter



Cadet of the Quarter is a special award given to JROTC cadets who show a great amount of leadership, great determination, and pride in the hard work they put into the program. Our cadet of the third quarter is Cameron Vanderberg and our cadet for the forth quarter is Alex Nolan! Both of these cadets have shown strong leadership skills, great dependability, and determination. Cameron has competed in Drill competitions and helped start a new robotics team while Alex won second with his color guard team at the competition in Indianapolis and was the Marksmanship State Champion! The battalion is proud to have these two cadets!



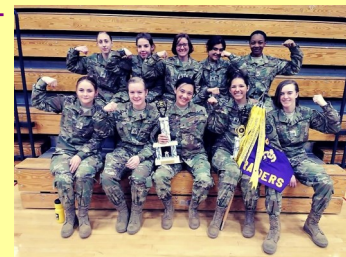
All Girls Raider Meet



On Saturday, April 13, our Raider team competed against seven other schools from around Michigan, Indiana, and Ohio. All seven of those teams consisted of eight men and two women. Our team proudly consisted of all strong women. The team was made up of a mix of freshman, sophomores, juniors, and seniors. The freshman were

Vanessa Wehmeyer, Brooke Perryman, Kiersten Rotz, Olivia Garcia. Sophomores Samantha Paterson, Gabriella Cavazos, and Brittany Burger. Our junior and Raider captain Justice Greenleaf. And our seniors S3 Kasey Leonard and our Battalion Commander Trinity Salinas.

Our team earned first or second place in eight events and second place the entire meet! Good job girls!!!



Raiders Marion 2019



On Saturday, April 27, our Raider team competed against seventeen other schools from Michigan, Illinois, Ohio, and Indiana. The team consisted of freshman Olivia Garcia. Sophomores Brittany Burger, Ben Hammond, Darrin Johnson, and Gage Nush. Juniors Jay Murphy, Nathan Wright, Max Bruner, Ares Marks, and the Raider

captain Justice Greenleaf. Seniors Noah Payne and our Battalion Commander and past Raider captain Trinity Salinas.

They competed in ten events and earned five first and five second places. Our team won first place in boardwalk, obstacle course, PTT, the two and a half mile run, and tied together. The team also won second in events such as buddy carry, spider web, rope bridge, liter carry, and tires. Our team did amazing and we hope they do just as great next year!



2019 Awards Banquet

The 2019 Awards Banquet was as eventful as always. Everyone was on the edge of their seats awaiting many new surprises and suspenseful announcements! The most awaited announcement was the winners of the Honor Platoon. Third period led by Platoon Sergeant Jack Olson and Platoon Leader Justice Greenleaf won the honor of being this year's honor platoon. They worked hard throughout the year by being disciplined, having good attendance, and wearing their uniforms every Friday, participating in volunteer events, and working hard to improve their GPA. Over 50 cadets this year have earned above a 3.0 GPA for at least one semester and 18 cadets earned a 4.0 GPA for at least one semester this year.



Our program has also participated in many volunteer events such as football games, Springfest, and the Kiwanis food drive. Throughout the year we had sixteen cadets awarded for their first one hundred community service hours, five cadets who earned their second one hundred community service hours, and our very own Battalion Commander Trinity Salinas earned her third one hundred community service award ending her JROTC career with three hundred and eight hours of community service hours! Lastly, the Kiwanis organization awarded a service award to the cadet with the most service hours in the battalion this year. Cadet Faith Barron was given the honor of earning this award, ending the year with over 110 hours.

The night came to a close with multiple exciting awards. Each year, the US Army recognizes one cadet in each class as the superior cadet. This year, the recipients were freshman Anna Stefaniak, sophomore Alexander Nolan, junior Justice Greenleaf, and senior Trinity Salinas.

One of the most awaited awards are the Cadet of the Year award and who will be prompted as Battalion Commander for the next year. The Battalion MVP Award is a peer vote earned because your fellow cadets think you have done well. The cadets vote amongst themselves to determine who deserves the Cadet of the Year. This year Justice Greenleaf was awarded with this honor because of her hard work as the Raider captain and her dedication to her platoon.

The very last award is always an emotional one. It is the announcement on who is going to be the new Battalion Commander for the next year. Instead of promoting one cadet to the rank of Battalion Commander like we have in years past, it was decided that two cadets were going to be promoted as Battalion Commander. Justice Greenleaf is going to be in charge of the Battalion for the first semester and Jay Murphy will be in charge for the second semester.



It's been an amazing year and the graduating seniors can vacation easy knowing that the battalion is in good hands. Congratulations to all cadets and we hope to have an amazing banquet next year!