

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
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**COURSE SYLLABUS SY 2019-2020 **

- I. JROTC Instructors: CW3 (Ret) Michael Goode; Master Sergeant (Ret) Joseph Dudley; and Sergeant First Class (Ret) Wayne Harper.
- II. COURSE TITLE: Army JROTC (Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps) Leadership, Education and Training (LET) 1 to 4.
- III. TITLE OF TEXTBOOK: JROTC Program of Instruction, Units 1 – 7.
- IV. COURSE OVERVIEW: Junior ROTC is designed to teach high school students the value of citizenship, leadership, personal responsibility, and a sense of accomplishment, while instilling in them self-esteem, teamwork, and self-discipline. **The primary mission of JROTC is "To motivate young people to be better citizens."** This curriculum prepares high school students for responsible leadership roles while making them aware of their rights, responsibilities, and privileges as American citizens. Meanwhile, the program is a stimulus for promoting graduation from high school, while providing instruction and rewarding opportunities that benefit the student, community, and nation.
- V. INSTRUCTIONAL APPROACH: JROTC is taught through a combination of lecture, group discussions, practical exercises, demonstrations, hands-on/performance oriented training, drill and ceremony. Cadets are graded on effort, rather than actual performance on physical activities such as cadet challenge (physical fitness). Mondays are drill & ceremony/knowledge building days. Tuesday and Thursdays are instructional days and Fridays are physical activity / team building days. Close toe shoes must be worn on Mondays and Friday for drill & ceremony and physical activities. Since **Wednesdays** are our uniform and inspection days, all cadets must wear their uniform the **entire school day**. Cadets and parents are financially responsible for all issued uniforms and equipment if lost, stolen, or mistreated. **Please note that cadets will be required to wear their JROTC T-shirt and black pants on Wednesday during the off week of wearing their issued JROTC uniform.**
- VI. EXPECTATIONS:
- A. DISCIPLINE – Standard School rules, JROTC published regulations (CCR145-2 and JROTC Standard Operating Procedures) and classroom rules. Push-ups are used, by **JROTC instructors only**, as one of the tools to help focus cadets in class and also to improve cadet challenge physical fitness scores. Push ups **are not** used as a form of punishment, but used to ensure attention to detail is kept up at all times. Cadets are required to have/maintain a class portfolio and must be available every day you are in JROTC class. This portfolio will be part of your six week grade.
- B. ATTENDANCE – Make up work must be coordinated through the cadet's instructor.

C. COURSE EXPECTATIONS -- Cadets should be able to demonstrate:

1. A sense of responsibility.
2. Leadership traits applicable to their rank & experience.
3. A desire to excel both mentally and physically.
4. Involvement in school and community activities.
5. Awareness of current local and world events.
6. Acceptable level of curriculum knowledge.
7. Good "followership", teamwork, and self-discipline.

D. HOMEWORK – The bulk of JROTC work will be done in class except essays and occasional assignments.

E. GRADING – QUIZZES/DAILY ASSIGNMENTS/SPORTS DAY/P.E.& UNIFORM WEAR (60%); (40%) TEST/MAJOR PROJECTS (which include examinations, essays, cadet portfolios, briefings and group projects) SELF-DISCIPLINE (which includes performance/conduct in assigned position, participation, attitude, attendance, merits/demerits). SEMESTER/FINAL EXAM (10%)

1. Standard grading scale.
2. Sub course examinations, unannounced tests, essays, and workbooks.
3. A merit/demerit program will be reflected in the "Self-Discipline" portion of the grading. Cadets earn bonus points (merits) for exceptional performance, extracurricular activities and after school events. Cadets earn demerits for misconduct, insubordination, uniform violations etc. This also includes behavior outside of JROTC or in other classes.

F. ADDITIONAL UNIFORM INFORMATION & REQUIREMENTS:

1. **Wearing the uniform:** A cadet with an excused absence or whom an instructor has excused must make up the missed uniform day on the **next school day**. A cadet who does not wear the uniform will be penalized 10% for the uniform inspection grade and if they fail to make up the inspection, they will receive a zero. **A cadet who does not wear the uniform because of an absence will receive a zero for the uniform inspection grade.**

2. **Failure to wear uniform:** Cadets, who consistently refuse to wear the uniform or wears it improperly, will be **dropped** from the JROTC program. Male/Female Grooming Standards must follow AR670-1 while in JROTC.

3. **Mandatory Forms:** All cadets must complete and return mandatory forms to participate in JROTC. Those forms include the Code of Conduct, JUMS Personal Data, Privacy Act & Health Statement; and Student Media Release.

4. **Military Ball:** Attendance is mandatory. This is a formal event that all JROTC schools are required to conduct and will be held on 29 February 2020. If a student is unable to attend, they must inform their instructor and they will be required to complete a typed essay (subject to be announced).

5. **Battle of Flowers Parade:** Attendance is mandatory. This is a formal event that all JROTC schools are required to conduct and will be held on 24 April 2020. If a student is unable to attend, they must inform their instructor and they will be required to complete a typed essay (subject to be announced).

6. **Awards Banquet:** Attendance is mandatory. This is a formal event that all JROTC schools are required to conduct and will be held on 30 April 2020. If a student is unable to attend, they must inform their instructor and they will be required to complete a typed essay (subject to be announced).

G. RANK: Promotion will not be “automatic” to the next higher grade. All promotions will be earned by performance in assigned position, attitude and conduct. For Cadet Sergeant and above, cadets must also demonstrate their competence at a promotion board held by senior cadets. School grades are also very important in this process. Our goal is to place only those cadets with a GPA of 2.5 or above in key leadership/staff positions. Cadets may be reduced in rank/position for their in-school/out-of-school conduct and failing grades.

VII. COURSE HIGHLIGHTS:

Introduction to JROTC	Map Reading/Compass
Leadership Lab	Drill & Ceremony
Foundations for Success	Administration
First Aid	Improve Reading Ability
Cadet Challenge (Physical Fitness)	Career Opportunity
Service Learning Project	Public Speaking
High School Financial Planning	Alcohol/Drug Prevention
Citizenship/American History	

VIII. SECONDARY WRITING REQUIREMENT (Required for All LET 3 and 4 cadets): Papers should be 300-400 words in length; typewritten as a Microsoft Word (Windows version) document; double-spaced; 1” margins; Times New Roman, and 12 point font. You may ask your English teacher to review the essay prior to turning it in to ensure you have turned in your best effort. The essay cover sheet must reflect, in this order, 1) Cadet Name & Rank; 2) Cadet Home Address; 3) School Name & Address; and 4) School POC (CW3 Goode) to include the Phone Number (210-662-5000) & E-mail address (mgoode@judsonisd.org). Your essay must be turned in on a flash drive (which will be returned to you) or via e-mail to the AI (wharper@judsonisd.org) by NLT the below suspense date. Late submissions will not be accepted.

ESSAY THEME: Subject TBA (To be announced at a later date).

This assignment is due on **1 Dec 19.**

IX. EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES: The following JROTC activities will be available to cadets with at least a 2.0 grade point average who desire to participate.

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| 1. Color Guard – All Year | 6. Orienteering Team – Seasonal |
| 2. Armed Drill Team – All Year | 7. Saber Team – Seasonal |
| 3. Unarmed Drill Team – All Year | 8. Academic Team – Seasonal |
| 4. Physical Fitness Team – All Year | 9. Leadership Team – Seasonal |
| 5. Marksmanship Team – All Year | 10. *Cyber Patriot*- TBA |

X. DEPARTMENT INFORMATION: Questions may be addressed to the JROTC Department at 662-5000 ext.17503, CW3 Goode (email: mgoode@judsonisd.org); ext. 17504, MSG Dudley (email: jdudley@judsonisd.org) and ext. 17505, SFC Harper (email: wharper@judsonisd.org).