



## Deer Valley Unified School District



**Course Title:** Air Force Junior Reserve Officer Training Corp (AFJROTC)

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**Overall Course Description:** First and foremost, the mission of Air Force JROTC is to develop citizens of character dedicated to serving their nation and community. In doing so, we will acquaint students with one of the following Aerospace Science (AS) academic blocks: The Science of Flight, Journey into Aviation History, Space and Astronomy, and/or Air Force Survival Training per year. Furthermore, cadets will gain Leadership Education (LE). This will alternate on a yearly basis between Communication Skill, Awareness, and Leadership and Life Skills and Career Opportunities. Lastly, uniform wear, drill, and physical fitness are a weekly course requisite.

LENGTH: Year - *Concepts taught will be based upon the National AFJROTC curriculum and local district basic skills proposed by the state of Arizona.*

**2023-2024 Course Goals & Objectives:** The academic portion will have students studying “A Journey into Aviation History”. Concepts taught will be based upon the National AFJROTC curriculum and local district basic skills proposed by the state of Arizona. Students are requested to summarize and use vocabulary cards as tools to help strengthen materials taught. Plus, students will be required to work in groups to complete some of the assignments and projects. Curriculum Text the cadets will study from book “AS 100, “Journey through Aviation History” Unit 1, Chapter 1, Unit 2 Chapters 2 & 3, and Unit 3 Chapters 4, 5, 6.

The Leadership Education (LE) portion of the course will vary per grade level. It will include Principles of Management which provides the necessary tools to run the unit, practicing and refining marching capabilities, proper uniform wear, and customs and courtesies. Cadets will also be introduced to Basic Communication and Life Skills, and Career Opportunities (choosing their Career Path). Text books used will be: LE 100 “Leadership Education” Chapters 1,2, and 3, LE-300 “Leadership Education” Chapters 1,2,and 3, LE 400 Units 1 Chapter 1,2,3, Unit 2 chapter 4/5 and Unit 3 Chapter 6 plus Drill and Wellness.

**Course Materials:** Textbooks: *Aerospace Science: A Journey into Aviation History and Leadership & Education I-IV* provided by AFJROTC. Notebooks, folders, and writing utensils for class notes will supplied by student. Proper uniform wear may require cadets to purchase items for uniform. Items are available locally for purchase at [www.alliedsurplus.com](http://www.alliedsurplus.com). All other uniform items are provided.

**Classroom/Course Expectations:** The nature of the AFJROTC mission, as well as its high visibility within the school and community, requires it members to adhere to higher standards than might be found among the student population. Inappropriate behavior, in or out of uniform, is prohibited while in participating in AFJROTC. This behavior includes, but is not limited to consuming alcohol, drug abuse, tobacco use, horseplay, public displays of affection, fighting, disparaging remarks, insubordination, **disrespect (which includes to our country, the US Flag, or outward protest against the constitution and/or the law)**, verbal threats and physical attacks. Students may be dis-enrolled at any time during the academic year with proper cause in order to maintain the moral and discipline of the unit. Disenrollment rules are published in the AZ-802 Deer Valley AFJROTC Cadet Guide, which is available on line at the Deer Valley High School webpage under departments/AFJROTC

Please understand, according to AFJROTCI 36-2010, para 2.4 Voluntary Enrollment of Cadets: “All students must be enrolled voluntarily and participate in the full program to include taking AFJROTC academic course, participate in the cadet corps, and wear the prescribed uniform. The on-site Air Force Representatives approve all enrollment and disenrollment initiatives. While AFJROTC instills self-discipline, it is not to be used as a remedy for chronic student

disciplinary problems.” In addition, para 2.4.1.1.3 “The SASI must be allowed to disenroll an AFJROTC cadet at any time during the academic year with proper cause.”

Today’s workforce does not earn a paycheck unless they show up ready for work. Cadets earn grades commensurate with their class participation and effort. Cadets who are not present or prepared cannot participate fully in class. With that said, students will be expected to:

1. Be on time; do not be late to class, scheduled events, practices, etc.
2. Wear correct uniform on the appropriate day and ensure they demonstrate respect for the Flag by standing when asked to recognize the Pledge of Allegiance in their respective classrooms
3. Conduct oneself in a manner promoting a positive learning environment.
4. Use titles or sir/ma’am when addressing AFJROTC staff, senior ranking cadets, or school administration
5. Treat others with mutual respect. Profanity, vulgar language, racial or ethnic slurs, sexual harassment, or harassment of any other cadet will not be tolerated.
6. Ensure all electronic devices, like cell phones and music players, are off or silenced during class unless authorized by the instructor. Many students want to have the privilege of carrying electronic devices on campus, with that privilege comes responsibility. If they make a noise, vibrate, or otherwise call attention to themselves, the device is creating a disruption. These items must be kept in control and be kept out of sight. Misuse of electronic devices may result in disciplinary procedures in addition to the temporary confiscation of the device.
7. Participate in class clean up.
8. Visibly wear I.D. card, as per school policy, while on campus or at any school activity.
9. Comply with all school policies and procedures
10. Maintain self-control and your self-respect at all times.

**Uniform Wear (Major Grade):** Uniform wear is a large part of the Air Force JROTC program. **ALL** cadets are required to wear the appropriate uniform, as per their biological gender, each **Tuesday, from the start of the school day until released.** Make-up day for excused absences on uniform day is the following day they arrive at school within the same week. There will be **no uniform make-up for unexcused absences.** Failing to wear the uniform all day will result in a “0” (zero) grade for that uniform day. Multiple failures to wear your uniform can lead to disenrollment from the course. Cadets are required to wear their issued **Physical Fitness uniforms on PT day** unless otherwise directed. **Three non-excused non-wearing of the uniform per 9 week term (quarter) will result in a weekly zero after the third occurrence;** this rule also includes the wear of the fitness uniform for Thursday’s health and wellness portion of the curriculum. Body hair will be in accordance with the uniform regulations provided to each student in the Cadet Handbook.

**Community Service:** Cadets will have multiple opportunities to perform AFJROTC sponsored community service during each semester. In order for a cadet to promote, they are required to complete at least 12 hours per semester based on rank.

**Curriculum in Action (CIA)/field trips:** Throughout the semester, the cadets will be offered opportunities to participate in school-sponsored activities that serve as an extension of the AFJROTC curriculum. These trips may include Air Force base tours, museums; combat dining in, military ball, etc. Cadets must be in good academic and discipline standing to participate.

**Grading:** Grades are based upon a total point system. The final grade will consist of a combination of evaluations in physical fitness participation held every Thursday, Leadership area (to include wear of the uniform), and the academics portion. When determining final grades, classroom conduct, attendance and effort will determine whether borderline grades will be raised to the next letter grade.

#### Grading Scale

A	90-100%	D	60-69%
B	80-89%	F	0-59%
C	70-79%		

#### **Attendance:**

Regular attendance is required to pass. Good attendance is perhaps the most important factor for academic success. Parents or guardians will be notified when student has accumulated an excessive amount of absences. If a student misses class on the uniform wear day that student is required to wear the uniform the day they come back to school.

**Make-up Policy:**

It is the student's responsibility to find out what work they missed as a result of an absence. If a student is being detained for a tardy for a specific period, he/she is responsible for the work that was issued that day. Students who are marked unexcused will not receive credit for worked missed but will still receive feedback. See the Deer Valley Student Handbook for more information regarding excused and unexcused absences.

**Please Note:** There is no requirement to join the military after completion AFJROTC. This course is designed to teach young men and women self-discipline, personal responsibility, leadership, fitness, and citizenship. Cadets who complete 3 or 4 years of AFJROTC are awarded with Certificates of Completion. These certificates allow students who elect to enlist in the military to serve at a higher rank (E-3 which equates to approximately \$564 per month more than normal enlistees that start at E-1) upon completion of basic training. Ultimately, giving them a 2 year jump on their peers.

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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Student Print Name (First then Last neatly)