



**AIR FORCE JUNIOR RESERVE OFFICER TRAINING CORP**  
**LA-061 CADET SQUADRON**  
**WEST MONROE HIGH SCHOOL, LOUISIANA**



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MEMORANDUM FOR PARENTS AND CADETS

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SUBJECT: Welcome to Air Force Junior Reserve Officer's Training Corp (AFJROTC)

1. Welcome to West Monroe High School AFJROTC LA-061 Cadet Squadron. I wish to commend you on deciding to serve your nation and community as a member of our outstanding organization. It is our belief that this experience will serve you well for the rest of your life. During your time in AFJROTC you will have the opportunity to take part in many exciting events.
2. The mission of AFJROTC is to "Develop citizens of character, dedicated to serving their nation and community." As such, we are not military recruiters, nor is there any service obligation; rather we are developers of life skills using military methods and tactics employed by the U.S. Air Force. Our goal for AFJROTC is to promote citizenship, encourage community service, impart personal responsibility, cultivate character, and instill self-discipline. The program achieves this through a leadership laboratory focusing on air and space fundamentals along with hands-on learning opportunities in a number of fun and challenging extra-curricular activities.
3. We are grounded in the U.S. Air Force Core Values of "Integrity First, Service Before Self, and Excellence in All We Do." This is a way of life and it defines us as a unit. We are a unit with proud history, high expectations, and a reputation excellence. Your time in LA-061 will be challenging, yet very rewarding. I look forward to getting to know each of you and pray your life will be enriched through being a member of AFJROTC LA-061 Cadet Squadron.

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