

AY 2025-2026 AFJROTC DATES TO REMEMBER

24 November 2025

**** Mandatory Events are in BOLD for Cadets, and they include Commander's Calls (each month, usually the first Thursday after school), Awards & Promotion Ceremonies (held once a semester), and Veteran Day events (to include parade practices).** The other events are opportunities for service, social, and leader development. Dates, locations, and events may change. Changes will be communicated through the Cadet Corps.

- ~~Leadership Team Meeting~~

- ~~When: 5 August 1030-1200~~
- ~~Where: Smiley Classroom 622~~

- ~~Uniform Distribution for Returning Cadets~~

- ~~When: 6 August 1200-1500 hours~~
- ~~Where: Smiley Classroom 622~~

- ~~First Years Welcome~~

- ~~When: 7 August 1200-1500 hours~~
- ~~Where: Milburn Gym~~

- ~~1st Years' Parent / Guardian Orientation (1st Years Cadets included)~~

- ~~When: 18 August @ 1830-2030 hours~~
- ~~Where: Milburn Auditorium (followed by the foyer area for cadets)~~

- ~~August Commander's Call **** MANDATORY FOR ALL CADETS**~~

- ~~When: 21 August @ 1530 hours~~
- ~~Where: North Gym (Activities Bus from Milburn)~~

- ~~OTHS Blue & Gold~~

- ~~Who: AFJROTC Color Guard (names selected by the CG Commander)~~
- ~~When: 22 August (showtime established by CG Commander)~~
- ~~Where: OTHS Football Field (meet at Smiley classroom 622)~~

- ~~OTHS Panther Connects Day (Activity Fair)~~

- ~~When: 22 August~~
- ~~Where: OTHS Smiley Cafeteria~~

- ~~O'Fallon City Fest & Parade (Volunteers + Color Guard)~~

- ~~When: 23 August 1200-1800 hours (in two-hour shifts), Color Guard @ 1700 hours (Showtime @ 1530 hours)~~
- ~~Where: Family Sports Park~~

- ~~O'Fallon City Fest Clean-up and Smiley Street Clean-up (Showtime 0830 hours)~~
 - ~~When: 24 August~~
 - ~~Where: Family Sports Park~~

- ~~**September Commander's Call ** MANDATORY FOR ALL CADETS**~~
 - ~~When: 4 September @ 1500 hours~~
 - ~~Where: Smiley Panther Center (activities bus from Milburn)~~

- ~~70th Annual Shiloh Picnic (Volunteers, Community Service opportunity)~~
 - ~~When: 5 September 1600-2100 hours (fireworks at 2100 hours)-
6 September clean-up (time TBD)~~

- ~~1st Color Guard Practice~~
 - ~~When: 8 September, 1500-1630~~
 - ~~Where: South Gym~~

- ~~VFW Baconfest (Volunteers, Community Service opportunity)~~
 - ~~When: 13 September 1000-1600 hours, in 2-hour shifts~~
 - ~~Where: O'Fallon VFW Hall~~

- ~~Special Olympics Illinois Region J Annual Bowling Competition (Volunteers Needed!)~~
 - ~~When: 14 September, 0800-1500 hours~~
 - ~~Where: St Clair Bowl~~

~~***This event is an excellent way to earn community service hours!**~~

- ~~Picnic - Meet and Greet~~
 - ~~When: 20 September 1030-1400 hours (all cadets, family and guardians welcome)~~
 - ~~Where: O'Fallon Community Park, Pavillion #4~~

- ~~VFW POW/MIA Ceremony (Volunteers, Community Service opportunity)~~
 - ~~When: 20 September morning only (done by 1045 to get to the picnic)~~
 - ~~Where: VFW Post 805 O'Fallon~~

- ~~Homecoming Parade~~
 - ~~When: 24 September @ 1745-1845 hours (Showtime: 1715)~~

- ~~**October Commander's Call ** MANDATORY FOR ALL CADETS**~~
 - ~~When: 2 October @ 1500 hours~~
 - ~~Where: Smiley Panther Center (activities bus from Milburn)~~

- ~~John Wilt Foundation 5K (Volunteers, Community Service opportunity, Esprit de Corps)~~
 - ~~When: 4 October~~
 - ~~Where: O'Fallon Veterans Memorial~~

- ~~Curriculum in Action (CIA) Field Trip~~
 - ~~When: 30 October 2025~~
 - ~~Where: Fulton Junior High School~~
 - ~~Who: Awareness Presentation Team~~

- ~~Halloween Movie Night~~
 - ~~When: 24 October @ 1800-2000 hours~~
 - ~~Where: Smiley Panther Center~~

- ~~**Veteran's Day Parade Practices **MANDATORY FOR ALL CADETS**~~
 - ~~When: 11, 18, 25, at 0900-1100, and 30 Oct at 1500-1630~~
 - ~~Where: North Gym~~

- ~~Special Olympics Illinois Region J Annual Bowling Competition (Volunteers Needed!)~~
 - ~~When: 26 October, 0800-1500 hours~~
 - ~~Where: St. Clair Bowl~~

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- ~~Drill Meeting for all cadets interested~~
 - ~~When: 31 October 1500-1600 hours~~
 - ~~Where: Smiley Classroom 622~~

- ~~1st Drill Practice~~
 - ~~When: 3 November 1500-1700 hours~~
 - ~~Where: MPR Smiley~~

- ~~**November Commander's Call ** MANDATORY FOR ALL CADETS**~~
 - ~~When: 6 November @ 1500 hours~~
 - ~~Where: Smiley MPR (activities bus from Milburn)~~

- ~~**Veteran's Day Ceremony ** MANDATORY FOR ALL CADETS**~~
 - ~~When: 11 November, 1100 hours (showtime 1015 hours)~~
 - ~~Where: First Baptist Church~~

- **Veteran's Day Parade ** MANDATORY FOR ALL CADETS**
 - When: 11 November @1400
 - Where: Meet at Smiley South Gym @1250

- **Fitness Assessment** (tentatively planned, weather dependent)
 - When: THURSDAY 13 November (1 minute sit up & 1 minute push ups) & FRIDAY 14 November (1-mile run) during class period
 - Where: Campus Facilities

- **Cyber Patriot Competition**
 - When: 14 November
 - Where: Smiley Classroom

- **Drill Parents / Guardians' Orientation**
 - When: 20 November 1800 hours
 - Where: Smiley Cafeteria
 - Booster Club Meeting to follow

- **December Commander's Call ** MANDATORY FOR ALL CADETS**
 - When: 4 December @ 1500 hours
 - Where: Smiley MPR (activities bus from Milburn)

- **Logistics Exchange**
 - 5 December @1600 hours
 - Smiley classroom – room 622

- **Local Drill Meet**
 - When: 6 December @1000-1400
 - Where: Mascoutah High School

- **Moye Jingle Fest – corps community service**
 - When: 9 December @1730-2030
 - Where: Moye Elementary

- **Christmas Movie Night *(pending new date)***
 - When: 12 December, 1730 hours
 - Where: Panther Center
 - Popcorn and drinks will be provided

- **Wreaths Across America**
 - When: 13 December 1100 hours
 - Where: O'Fallon Veterans Monument & O'Fallon Cemetery
 - Color Guard and Volunteers to lay wreaths

- Scott AFB CIA – USTRANSCOM Holiday Event
 - When: 15 December 1500 hours
 - Where: Scott Event Center
 - Set-up/Tear-down, arts and crafts at Kidzone

- Flight Olympics
 - When: 19 December 1200-1500 hours
 - Where: Smiley Panther Dome
 - Pizza and drinks will be provided
 - Great way to blow off some steam and have fun during finals week!
 - Freshman will take the activities bus over & meet in the cafeteria

- **January Commander's Call ** MANDATORY FOR ALL CADETS**
 - **When: 8 January 2026@ 1500 hours**
 - Where: Smiley MPR (activities bus from Milburn)

- **Promotion Ceremony ** MANDATORY FOR ALL CADETS**
 - **When: 9 January 1800 hours**
 - Where: Milburn Auditorium

- 8th Grade Parents Night—Corps Community Service (held by Guidance Department)
 - When: TBD
 - Where: Milburn Campus

- Local Drill Meet (hosted by OTHS)
 - When: 29 January, 1500-2000 hours
 - Where: Milburn Campus

- Logistics Exchange
 - When: 4 February, 1500 hours
 - Where: Smiley Room 622

- **February Commander's Call ** MANDATORY FOR ALL CADETS**
 - When: 5 February @ 1500 hours
 - Where: Smiley MPR (activities bus from Milburn)

- O'Fallon Shoot-Out—Corps Community Service -- **all cadets** asked to serve this event
 - When: 7 February
 - Where: Smiley Panther Dome
 - **Largest Booster Club Fundraiser**, requesting Parents/Guardians support

- Drill Parents & Guardians Meeting
 - When: 22 January
 - Where: Smiley MPR

- APT @ Freshmen Advisories

- When: 11 & 12 February
- Where: Milburn Campus

- Top of the Morning 5K Bag Stuffing (volunteer, community service)
 - When: 4 March, 1715 hours
 - Where: Toolen's Running Start, 3260 Green Mount Crossing, Shiloh IL

- AFJROTC Open Drill Nationals
 - When: 6-8 March
 - Where: Nutter Center, Wright State University, Dayton OH

- Drill Team CIA
 - When: 8 March
 - Where: National Museum of the USAF, Dayton OH

- Top of the Morning 5K (volunteer, community service)
 - When: 8 March, showtime 0700 hours
 - Where: Toolen's Running Start, 3260 Green Mount Crossing, Shiloh IL

- Logistics Exchange
 - When: 11 March, 1500 hours
 - Where: Smiley Room 622

- **March Commander's Call ** MANDATORY FOR ALL CADETS**
 - When: 12 March @ 1500 hours
 - Where: Smiley MPR (activities bus from Milburn)

- Local Drill Meet
 - When: 13 March, 1430 - 2000
 - Where: Milburn Main & Aux Gym

- Hinchcliffe STEM Night (community service)
 - When: 19 March, 1800-2000 hours
 - Where: Hinchcliffe Middle School

- Corps Olympics (Hosted by OTHS)
 - When: 28 March, 0900-1300
 - Where: Milburn Main & Aux Gym

- Gateway Drill Meet (Hosted by OTHS)
 - When: 4 April - All Day
 - Where: Smiley Campus

- Logistics Exchange
 - When: 8 April, 1500 hours

- Where: Smiley Room 622

- **April Commander's Call ** MANDATORY FOR ALL CADETS**
 - When: 9 April @ 1500 hours
 - Where: Smiley Panter Center (activities bus from Milburn)

- **AFJROTC Fitness Assessments**
 - **When: 10 & 17 April (b/u 25 April)**
 - **Where: in class**

- Spring Picnic
 - When: 19 April
 - Where: O'Fallon City Park

- Fulton Junior High Eggstravaganza (volunteer, community service)
 - When: TBD 2026
 - Where: Fulton Junior High School, 307 Kyle Road

- Shiloh Elementary School Month of the Military Child Celebration
 - When: TBD 2026
 - Where: Shiloh Elementary School

- EK Carnival
 - When: TBD 2026
 - Where: EK Elementary School

- Hinchcliff Carnival
 - When: TBD 2026
 - Hinchcliff Elementary School

- **Promotion Ceremony ** MANDATORY FOR ALL CADETS**
 - When: 29 April
 - Where: Milburn Auditorium

- **May Commander's Call ** MANDATORY FOR ALL CADETS**
 - When: 7 May @ 1500 hours
 - Where: Smiley Panter Center (activities bus from Milburn)

- **Awards Banquet**MANDATORY FOR ALL CADETS****
 - When: 1 May @ 1700 hours
 - Where: Milburn Cafeteria

- OTHS Graduation Color Guard
 - When: 30 May
 - Where: OTHS Panther Dome (meet at the classroom)

