

Facts



- Tools are available in the JROTC Program structure, curriculum, and activities to overcome common challenges in education
- Students enrolled in JROTC have the benefit of these interventions as well as the structure and discipline afforded by the program

- JROTC is fun while it provides opportunities that cannot be found in any other program
- Instructors are experienced and qualified to teach JROTC and embedded subjects

Does JROTC mean I have to go into the military?

NO!!!! Students who participate in JROTC are not required to join the military after high school, and the program is not a military preparation class.

Students who join JROTC may or may not have an interest in joining the military. And they are making no commitment to do so. JROTC instructs American youth in lessons of personal development, civic duty, leadership, and service.

If a student doesn't have that end in mind, the JROTC program teaches skills that are useful for any student. In addition, JROTC service can be a real boost to a college admissions application. Admissions offices are typically interested in students that demonstrate interest and experience in leadership, and JROTC is an excellent opportunity to gain this skill.

One final important reason that students may want to participate in JROTC is the chance to apply for scholarships. Starting in the ninth grade, students in JROTC are eligible to apply for specific college scholarships. And 260 colleges offer scholarships to students in JROTC that don't require military service or even participation in ROTC while in college.

Premiere Junior Leader Development Model

Army JROTC is one of the few programs available in the school schedule that has such a profound impact on motivating students to excel. JROTC has the mentors, tools, and organization to overcome many of education's common challenges. Maximizing enrollment in the JROTC Program is one of the smartest decisions an administrator can make.



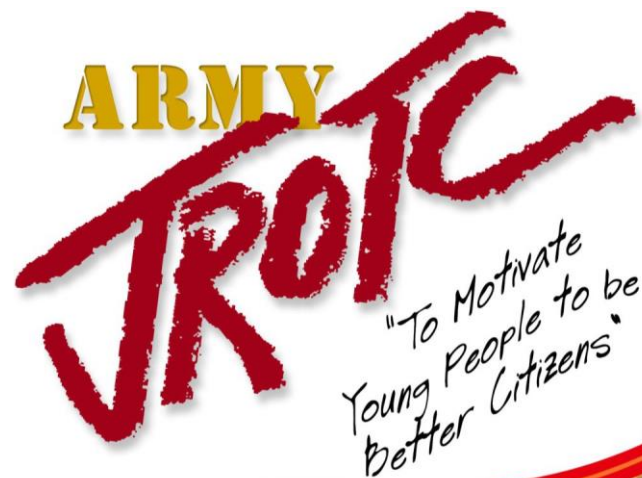
Core Abilities

Core Abilities describe the broad, life-long skills that every Cadet needs for success in future life and career endeavors. The core abilities are a result of the goals and values that drive the JROTC program and are built upon the program's four years through integrating various lesson competencies and skills throughout the JROTC curriculum. The Core Abilities are:

- Apply critical thinking techniques
- Build your capacity for life-long learning
- Communicate using verbal, non-verbal, visual, and written techniques
- Do your share as a good citizen in your school, community, country, and the world
- Take responsibility for your actions and choices
- Treat self and others with respect

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The Army JROTC Program emphasizes character education, student achievement, wellness, leadership, and diversity. It is a cooperative effort on the part of the military services and host institutions to produce successful students and citizens, while fostering in each school a more constructive and disciplined learning environment. JROTC makes substantial contributions to students, schools, and communities which benefit greatly from its presence.

Background: JROTC

- JROTC is the Department of Defense's (DoD) largest youth development program in our secondary schools (purpose in law is to teach citizenship and leadership, while instilling self-esteem, teamwork, and self-discipline in each Cadet)
- Title 10 United States Code, Section 2031 is the implementing authority
- Legislated in 1916 – Army only
- 1964 – Congress expanded to all Services and changed from active duty to shared support from the services and schools
- Army JROTC has over 300,000 students
- Over 1,700 secondary schools with units
- Program cost of ~\$600/student
- Over 270 high schools are on the waiting list

JROTC: Continuous Improvement

The JROTC Program prides itself in staying abreast of the latest educational trends; implementing a continuous improvement plan assists instructional leaders, through curriculum content and co-curricular activities, by effectively:

1. Improving life skills/Developing personal responsibility and accountability
2. Preparing students for life beyond high school
3. Increasing academic performance and test scores
4. Promoting wellness and fitness
5. Improving critical thinking skills
6. Stopping substance abuse/Preventing violence
7. Teaching students of all abilities
8. Providing quality curriculum/activities



Army JROTC & Character Education

JROTC has arguably, one of the most rigorous and effective

Quality Indicators			
CATEGORY	SCHOOL	JROTC	
Attendance	90.29%	93.54%	
Graduation	83%	93.9%	
Indiscipline	5.2%	1.7%	
Drop Out	8%	<1%	
GPA	2.72	2.91	

career-related leadership curriculums. JROTC's leadership development curriculum begins with instruction about leadership theory, which teaches Cadets motivational principles, individual and group management practices, decision making skills, and interpersonal relations. As JROTC Cadets progress through the program, they experience opportunities to lead other Cadets. Cadets follow a chain of command, enabling lower classmen to observe the upper classmen lead, teach and make decisions, before assuming the role themselves. Observing leaders in action enables Cadets to experience authentic responsibility for others, which can instill in them genuine concern for the success of the larger group; a key component of effective leadership.

Special Teams and Competitions

- Color Guard – Male/Female/Coed Competitions
- Drill Team Competitions
- Raider Competitions
- Physical Training Competitions
- Leadership and Academic Bowl
- Archery/Marksanship
- Cadet Challenge Physical Fitness program
- Junior Cadet Leadership Challenge



Program Outcomes

1. Graduate, prepare and to succeed in post-secondary options and career pathways.
2. Make decisions that promote positive social, emotional, and physical health.
3. Value the role of the military and other service organizations.
4. Act with integrity and personal accountability as they lead others to succeed in a diverse and global workforce.
5. Engage in civic concerns that impact the community and society at large.

JROTC Leadership Education and Training

- Citizenship in Action
- Leadership Theory and Application
- Foundations for Success
- Wellness, Fitness, and First Aid
- Geography, Map Skills, and Environmental Awareness
- Citizenship in American History and Government
- Cadet Safety and Civilian Marksmanship Program (Optional)

Curriculum supports credit other than electives in many states and Cadets have opportunities to earn college credits.

