

Welcome Letter

AFJROTC FL-20041

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Dear Parents / Guardians:

WELCOME to the 2017-2018 School Year! We are happy to have each and every student, parent, and guardian as part of our AFJROTC Aerospace Science Program. All essential items, such as books and uniforms, are provided at no cost. Participation in our program does NOT obligate the student to military service.

The mission of the AFJROTC program is to "Develop Citizens of Character Dedicated to Serving Their Nation and Community." Our objectives within the program are: to instill values of citizenship, community service, personal responsibility, and a sense of accomplishment in our high school students/cadets. Course material includes leadership (to include drill & ceremony), topics from Aviation History (AS-I) to the Exploration of Space (AS-III), and physical training. Classes may have guest speakers and/or go on field trips (travel costs covered by

the Air Force) related to the subject material. Please note that all cadets are required to wear the Air Force uniform one day each week (normally Wednesday).

In addition to learning about civilian and military aviation, AFJROTC teaches students about core values, citizenship, and civic responsibility. Elective credit is given for our classes in History of Aviation, Science of Flight, Astronomy, and Leadership/Management studies in each year. The major benefits from successful completion of our program are 3 and 4-year AFROTC college scholarships, qualifying to enlist in any US military service at higher rank, and every student displaying leadership qualities above their contemporaries.

Our goal is to instill in each student the values of citizenship, service to the United States and community, personal responsibility, and a sense of accomplishment. Uniform wear and Physical Training are two major components in the course that are done usually once a week each. Grooming standards and proper uniform wear are crucial elements of the program. Classes are structured around responsibility, mutual respect, integrity, and self-discipline. Field trips are scheduled to enhance their knowledge of aviation and to promote service to others. Such field trips include: Kennedy Space Center, drill team and honor guard competitions at other schools, and local elementary/middle schools.

For extra-curricular activities, we offer:

- Drill and Color Guard teams to compete in JROTC sponsored drill meets**

- **Kitty Hawk Air Society, which is a honor society, to uphold and further academic success**
- **Flight Programs to learn the anatomy of a plane by doing hands-on activities, such as building model rockets.**
- **Orienteering teaches cadets skills to be proficient in a wilderness setting**
- **Cyberpatriot to teach cadets how technology is used within the Air Force**
- **APT to present information to younger students about different dangers that they may come across**
- **Academic Bowl which competes against other schools in various subjects such as Math, Science, Language, etc**
- **Physical training teams, such as Iron Knight.**
- **Lots of community service (hours you gain in AFJROTC will count towards your school hours as well!)**

Since the county does not sponsor our cadet activities, we raise needed funds through AFJROTC fundraiser activities and sponsors.

To incoming cadets: We are extremely excited for you to join our family here at FL-20041. We promise a wonderful year full of fun, education, and definitely experience! Don't forget to always aim high and try new things! Remember to always work hard, do the best you can, and think about others as we try to succeed together as a unit! Let's go Wolves, HOORAH!