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ATTENTION OF:

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US ARMY JROTC BATTALION
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SYLLABUS FOR JUNIOR RESERVE OFFICERS' TRAINING CORPS (JROTC) SOUTH DADE SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

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COURSE DESCRIPTION: The JROTC curriculum consists of both mandatory and elective Program of Instruction topics according to the Leadership/Education/Training (LET) level in which enrolled. Topics for LET Levels 1-4 have been planned and approved by the US Army's Cadet Command (USACC) at FT Monroe, VA. Cadets incur no obligation to join the military as a result of their enrollment in the JROTC Leadership Academy. The JROTC Curriculum may be viewed in its entirety at the Cadet Command Website: <http://www.usarmyjrotc.com>

CORE COURSE OBJECTIVE: "To motivate young people to be better citizens."
(This is the official JROTC mission statement.)

MATERIALS NEEDED: All textbooks and reference materials including uniforms items are provided at no expense. All issued items must be returned at the end of the school year or upon withdrawal or transfer from the school. Cadets need to provide their own three ring notebook, pen/pencil.

TEXTS (provided by the Leadership Academy):

According to LET level, instruction from each of the following USACC texts:

- Intro to JROTC & Leadership Theory/Application (JROTC 145-U1/2-SCT)
- Foundations for Success & Wellness/Fitness/ First Aid (JROTC 145-U3/4-SCT)
- Geography and Earth Science (JROTC 145-U5-SCT)
- Citizenship and American History (JROTC 145-U6-SCT)
- Student Citizenship Training Program (ROTCM 145-4-1-YTP)
- Unlocking Your Potential (ROTCM 145-4-1-UYP)
- Power Learning (ROTCM 145-4-4-PW)

COURSE REQUIREMENTS: Cadets are expected to attend class, follow classroom procedures, participate in classroom learning activities, and complete all assignments. In case of absence, it is the cadet's responsibility to make up assignments missed, according to a timeframe that is approved by the instructor. Cadets in LET levels 2 and above are expected to be positive role models. Since the expectation of cadet mentorship increases with each LET level, cadets earning a final LET-2 course grade of less than "C" will not be accepted for enrollment into LET-3, without the prior approval (on a case-by-case basis) of the program's Senior Army Instructor.

UNIFORMS: In addition to classroom instruction, cadets are expected to properly wear the JROTC uniform at a minimum of one day per week, and participate in selective formations and inspections as well as other school and academy ceremonies. **Uniform are issued to cadet at no cost however the cadet is pecuniary liable. Each cadet must pay a yearly \$15.00 fee (cadet dues) for program accouterments.** Weekly uniform inspections and proper display of military courtesy are also considered a large percentage of their grade. The cadets will be required to wear their uniform **EVERY MONDAY OR TUESDAY** depending on when they have a JROTC class. If they do not have a uniform on during their scheduled class period, they will wear the uniform the following school day. All cadets will learn the Army dress code standard and will wear the uniform in the proper manner. The uniform is expected to be worn all day and not just to their JROTC class period.



ACTIVITIES: Physical Training (PT) is essential for becoming a well rounded leader. **The JROTC PT uniform is available for purchase (\$19.90+Tax)** at Miami uniforms 698 N. Homestead Blvd. US1 & 6 Street Chamber Centre Plaza, Next to Quizno's and Homestead Library (305) 247-2799. PT is conducted twice a week during classroom time. Extra-curricular and competitive activities include Color Guard, Drill Team, Cadet Challenge competitions, Leadership/Adventure Training events, field trip(s), an annual Formal, and an optional 7-day Summer Camp. (see Enclosure-2 for more details.) Cadets may earn community service points in most activities and are urged to participate in at least one activity per semester. In addition to an academic elective credit for the course, cadets also earn rank, privileges, and JROTC awards for their achievements. Qualified cadets will also have the opportunity to compete for College Scholarship.

GRADES: Cadets are expected to master the academic portion of the curriculum. In addition, and considering the high degree of discipline expected of each cadet, grades are based on a cadet's positive participation in the program. Marking period grades will be determined based on the following criteria: Test-30%, Daily Grades- **Uniform, Participation & Conduct - 70%**

GRADING PROCEDURES: Grades will be given for academic work completed. In addition, **WEEKLY UNIFORM** inspection and leadership lab (Marching and Drilling) are also significant a part of a cadet's grade. As stated above in "course requirements", it is the cadet's responsibility to make up assignments missed, according to a timeframe that is approved by the instructor.

GRADING SCALE:

The School District's grading scale is as follows:

90-100 A (average cannot exceed 100%)
80-89 B
70-79 C
60-69 D
0-59 F

HONOR CODE: Cadets are expected to set the example in this area. Cheating will not be tolerated, and all cadets participating in such will receive a "0" grade on the assignment and the parents will be notified.

CLASSROOM PROCEDURES: The rules and regulations of the school will always apply in the classroom setting and at off-campus events. In addition the following rules are applicable:

1. Instructor will greet cadets at the door. Dress code compliance will be enforced. Cadets are expected to enter quietly and be seated in their assigned seat when the bell rings.
2. The door will be shut when the bell rings, and tardy cadets will be let in but, marked tardy for the class
3. Cadets are expected to arrive in class properly dressed for the day's activities.
4. Cadets are expected to be quiet during all intercom announcements.
5. Cadets are expected to render the proper respect and military courtesy to the academy staff, school faculty and cadet chain of command.
6. Cadets will not eat or drink in the classroom without permission of the instructor.
7. Cadets are expected to help keep the classroom neat and tidy.

DESIGN OF A TYPICAL LESSON:

1. Each student will be given a workbook which contains lesson objectives.
2. The instructor will provide information for students through various techniques (i.e., lectures, small group exercises, self-paced instruction, video-based instructional media; student-led instruction; and student research projects). Instruction will be conducted inside or outside the classroom, as most appropriate (and as weather permits).
3. Closure...lesson content will be summarized and objectives reviewed.
4. Independent practice, study, and review will be conducted as appropriate.

DISCIPLINE POLICY: 1. The Student Handbook will be discussed/clarified with the cadets on the first day of class and strictly enforced. Cadet misbehavior that cannot be corrected by in-class disciplinary measures will be referred to the administration.

2. The Tardy Discipline Policy will be strictly enforced.

3. Pagers, cell phones, CD players, or unauthorized head-coverings will be non-operational and stored (out-of-sight) during class time. If the instructor has to confiscate the item, it will be turned over to the administration.

4. **JROTC MILITARY UNIFORM POLICY WILL BE STRICTLY REQUIRED AND ENFORCED. UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCE WILL NON-WEAR DESECRATION OR IMPROPER WEAR BE TOLERATED AND WILL ADVERSELY AFFECT CADET GRADE.**

ACCOMODATIONS: Any student needing physical accommodations will inform the instructor (with medical/parental documentation if appropriate), and arrangements will be made.

LESSON TOPICS: See the enclosure that matches your LET Level (1-4).

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“JROTC CADET CREED”

I am an Army Junior ROTC Cadet.

**I will always conduct myself to bring credit to my family,
country, school and the Corps of Cadets.**

I am loyal and patriotic.

I am the future of the United States of America.

I do not lie, cheat or steal and will always be accountable for my actions and deeds.

I will always practice good citizenship and patriotism.

**I will work hard to improve my mind and
strengthen my body.**

**I will seek the mantel of leadership and stand prepared to uphold the Constitution and the American
way of life.**

**May God grant me the strength
to always live by this creed.**

Enclosure-1

LESSON TOPICS:

JROTC -- This program prepares high school students for leadership roles while making them aware of their rights, responsibilities, and privileges as American citizens. It is a stimulus for promoting graduation from high school and preparing others for advanced education. It provides life skill instruction and rewarding opportunities which will benefit the student and positively impact the community, the culture and the nation.

LET-1 -- The mission of Leadership Education and Training (LET) is to enthusiastically motivate first year JROTC cadets to be better citizens. To accomplish this purpose, the text discusses citizenship, leadership, and a number of other courses designed to help the cadets succeed in high school and after graduation. Cadets wear the JROTC Army uniform once a week, at a minimum. Extracurricular activities include: Participation in community service activities/projects i.e., parades, formal ceremonies, ball games, etc.

LET-2 -- The second year of Leadership Education and Training provides more cadet leadership opportunities and commitment. The program is split into units including: Techniques of Communication, Leadership, Cadet Challenge, Leadership Lab, First Aid, Map Reading, History, Your American Citizenship, Career Opportunities, and Role of the U.S. Army. The wearing of the uniform and extracurricular activities are the same as for LET-1.

LET-3 -- The third year of Leadership Education and Training provides advanced leadership opportunities and responsibility. In this year students will not only be more involved as teachers and leaders within the cadet battalion, but they will also do more independent studies in the areas of communication, leadership, current events, military history, map reading, career opportunities, and technology awareness. The wearing of the uniform and the extracurricular activities are the same as for LET-1.

LET-4 – The fourth year cadets take ownership of the program and are responsible for the daily cadet administration and perform as commanders and staff officers. They act as assistant instructors in selective subject areas for other JROTC classes. They continue to develop their leadership skills and plan special unit events such as the military ball and the annual awards banquet. The wearing of the uniform and the extracurricular activities are the same as for LET-1.

Enclosure-2:

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

The South Dade Senior High School JROTC will have two extra-curricular teams for Academic year 2009/2010: Drill Team, Color Guard. A cadet has the opportunity to participate in one or a combination of these major competitive activities. During the school year, most of these teams have the opportunity to compete against teams within the Dade County School system and other JROTC programs in the region. The annual competitions include both city and state-side events. As members of these teams, cadets who participate in competitive events must meet Florida State education standards. The JROTC Leadership Academy takes academics very seriously and vigorously enforces the state standard. Additionally, all our teams will serve as ambassadors to the public, presenting a positive image and assisting with the JROTC Leadership Academy's recruitment efforts.

DRILL TEAM: Teams may be composed of all male, all females, or mixed (male/female). Drill teams develop and personalize their own unique drill sequences. These teams compete annually in city and state-side competitions. There are two types of drill routines that the teams may prepare for competition. These are Regulation Platoon Drill and Exhibition Drill. Regulation Platoon Drill has a set sequence of movements that must be executed in a per-determined step-by-step format. Exhibition Drill has the latitude to put together their own drill routine for showmanship. These teams will also conduct exhibitions for children in selective Middle Schools in the Homestead area.

COLOR GUARD: The Color Guard is comprised of volunteers (male or female) who are carefully screened for their ability and physical dexterity. Only those persons who are highly motivated and maintain exceptionally high standards of appearance and conduct; and show aptitude for ceremonial duty will be considered. The Color Guard will serve as the "guardians of the colors". They will present our nation's colors, and the state flag or JROTC Flag at various ceremonies and official school functions, both on and off campus. The Color Guard is composed of four cadets as the primary team and four additional cadets as the secondary team. These teams may compete annually in city and state-wide competitions.