



## SOUTH FORT MYERS HIGH SCHOOL U.S. ARMY JUNIOR ROTC

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Parents and Guardians of Students Enrolled in Army JROTC at SFMHS for School Year 2015/2016

Welcome to the South Fort Myers High School Leadership Academy!

There are roughly 6,000 high school students currently enrolled in JROTC in the fourteen Lee County Public High Schools. The JROTC mission is, "to motivate young people to be better citizens." **The program is not a recruitment program, nor do students have any obligation to enter any branch of service.** JROTC utilizes the military structure to develop and improve students' leadership skills, self discipline, confidence, pride, team building, and sense of responsibility. Students will have the opportunity to join many special teams, at no cost to them, which are all optional. These teams compete in county and state level competitions. Students gain a sense of belonging and have fun in this program. The students will benefit in numerous ways. For example: they will achieve higher grades; they will be better prepared for graduation; they will have greater opportunities for scholarships and college; and they will show an increase in school and community involvement.

The JROTC program provides Cadets the opportunity to develop and improve themselves in many ways. We use military rank structure and leadership skills to instill self-discipline, promote self esteem and challenge students to:

- Promote and encourage citizenship through participation in community service projects
- Sharpen communication skills
- Develop leadership potential and work as a member of a team
- Improve physical fitness
- Provide incentives to live drug free
- Promote graduation from high school and develop a solid foundation for career development.

In simpler terms: this course is demanding...we set and maintain high standards; this course is challenging...cadets can expect to do things they have never done before; this course is fun...cadets go rappelling, build rope bridges, boost their competitive spirit; this course is comprehensive...we cover six Life Skill developmental subjects. Cadets can expect to enjoy themselves in a safe and active learning environment. All uniforms and equipment needed for successful completion of this course are provided at no cost to the student with the exception of a \$5 donation for a Brigade t-shirt. Other items for sale but optional are JROTC hooded sweatshirt for \$15 and a shirt and shorts outfit for \$10

Attached are the "Classroom Expectations" for JROTC Cadets at SFMHS. Additionally, please feel free to contact any of the instructors listed at the top of this syllabus with any questions. We look forward to working with your Cadets this school year. We have a growing program and are glad that your "Cadet" has elected to join us.

**GO WOLFPACK LEADERSHIP ACADEMY!**

**CLASSROOM EXPECTATIONS**  
**Leadership Department**  
**U.S. Army JROTC**  
**“A Leadership Development and Character Building Program”**  
**2015-2016**

Expectations for Academic Performance

- Keys to success at SFMHS and Life: A solid academic foundation coupled with a positive attitude!
- Overall JROTC grade is based on the following:
  - 20% - Exams and Tests
  - 15% - Quizzes and Assignments
  - 20% - Leadership Laboratory and Uniform Inspections
  - 15% - Physical Training (PT)
  - 20% - Drill and Ceremony
  - 10% - Cadet Notebook Inspection/Class Participation
- Minimum school GPA to participate in JROTC special teams – 2.0 CGPA
- Bring all required material and text books to class
- Develop and maintain a cadet portfolio
- Maintain a Five Year Plan
- Complete all read ahead assignments as directed by your instructor
- Complete and turn-in all assignments
- Do not hesitate to ask questions when you do not understand
- Take notes during all classroom instruction
- Participate in all instructor facilitated classroom discussions

Expectations for Behavior

- Live by the “Cadet Creed”
- Set and maintain high standards
- Be respectful and polite at all times
- Do not sit down in class until told to do so by proper military command
- Follow all established school policies and procedures
- Raise your hand when you have a question
- No horseplay of any kind
- When participating in after school teams, you will not depart the JROTC department without a parent or legal guardian picking you up, unless prior permission has been given to the instructors from your parents or legal guardians.
- No food or drink in the JROTC classrooms unless approved by the instructors
- All cadets will pay proper respect to the cadet leadership
- There is no gum allowed at anytime in the JROTC facilities or in any JROTC activities during or after school
- All cadets are responsible for the safe keeping and cleanliness of their uniform
- During uniform days, all cadets must wear their uniform properly all day. Failure to do so will impact on overall grade. This is a must! The uniform will be worn with pride and will not be disgraced in any manner!
- Once here: Participate and get involved!

## CLASSROOM EXPECTATIONS

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### Expectations for Attendance

- Only excused absences are tolerated
- Tardies and skipping are not acceptable
- You will report to class on time
- If you sign up for a special team you are required to make scheduled practices. Without prior notification of your absence, you are subject to removal from the team. Illness or family emergencies are understandable and a phone call from your parent or legal guardian will clarify your absence. In addition, all after school team practices end at 5:00 PM. Cadets need to be picked-up or be on the activity bus by 5:30 PM. Cadets not picked-up on time will be subject to removal from the team.
- You are required to be in school and in all your classes as shown on your schedule. Skipping class will be dealt with very seriously. If for any reason you miss class then obtain the proper documentation explaining why!

### What students can expect from your instructors in JROTC

- To be challenged - mentally and physically
- Honesty, respect, and feedback
- To provide a learning environment that is safe, fun, and active
- To teach you all you need to know in order to be successful in JROTC
- To remain after school for any additional instruction that you may need upon request
- To be firm when dealing with violations of school or JROTC policies and compassionate when listening to your concerns
- To set the example for you to follow
- To make sure you learn and have fun while attending JROTC
- Always be available regardless of the issue, if you require teacher assistance

South Fort Myers is on a block schedule which means students will attend JROTC class every other day. Regardless of whether a student is on an odd or even day schedule the JROTC weekly schedule will remain constant as outlined below. All cadets will be issued two uniforms. The Class B uniform will be worn twice a month during your Wednesday Leadership Lab. The ACU uniform with black JROTC shirt will be worn twice a month during your Thursday Drill class.

Monday – Course Curriculum

Tuesday – Course Curriculum

Wednesday – Uniform Inspection/Leadership Lab

Thursday – Drill and Ceremony

Friday – Physical Training

## SFMHS JROTC SPECIAL TEAMS 2015-2016

- **Raiders Team – Monday, Wednesday & Friday (Aug 24 thru Oct 31) 1:45 – 5:00PM**
  - Complete and turn-in this team sign-up form.
  - Complete and pass the Raider Physical Training Test
    - Male – 42 pushups, 53 curl-ups, 1 mile run within 7:57 minutes
    - Female – 19 pushups, 53 curl-ups, 1 mile run within 9:27 minutes
  - Complete a Team Tire Flip
  - Complete a Team Rope Bridge Test
  - Complete a 1 mile team run (Litter Carry) and First Aid Test
  - Complete a 3 mile team run (Obstacle Course)
  - Maintain high personal standards and at least a CGPA of 2.0
- **Raider National Team-Tuesday & Thursday(Aug 25 thru Nov 4)**

**These are physically demanding teams and if you have any medical reasons that will stop you from participating in this event, THESE TEAMS ARE NOT FOR YOU.**

- **Exhibition Show Team – Tuesday and Thursday (Sep 1 thru Oct 29) 1:45 – 5:00PM**
- **Exhibition Team – Tuesday and Thursday (Nov 3 thru Mar 10) 1:45 – 5:00PM**
  - Demonstrate the ability to perform marching movements IAW Drill Regulation
  - Perform 23 individual drill movements with minimum error
  - Maintain high personal standards and at least a CGPA of 2.0
- **Marksmanship Team (Air Rifle) - Tuesday and Thursday (Oct 6 thru Apr 21) 1:45-5:00PM**
  - Attend and pass the JROTC Marksmanship Safety/ Training Course
  - Score at least 190 points during Marksmanship Range Qualification (80 prone, 60 kneeling, 50 standing)
  - The competition team will consist of the top 10 Cadets
  - Maintain high personal standards and at least a CGPA of 2.0
- **Drill LET 1 ONLY – Monday (Sep 21 thru Oct 21) 1:45 – 5:00PM**
- **Drill/Color Guard - Monday and Wednesday (Nov 2 thru Mar 9) 1:45 – 5:00PM**
  - Demonstrate the ability to perform marching and Color Guard Movements as prescribed
  - Maintain high Standards of personal conduct throughout the school and maintain at least a 2.0 GPA
  - This team will be those students who will perform Color Guards at all football games and Community Special Events. Students will be certified to perform in these events and only those students who perform at high standards will be selected.
- **Leadership and Academic Bowl Team – Wednesday (starting Oct) 1:45 – 3:00 PM**
  - Must be a Sophomore or Junior
  - Maintain high personal standards and have a CGPA of 3.5
  - Must pass a pre-test (study guide provided)
  - Each team will consist of 4 cadets and 2 alternates

## SFMHS JROTC SPECIAL TEAM SIGN UP FORM

I desire to participate in the Special Teams that I have indicated below and will abide by the rules and regulations concerning team participation. **YOU MAY BE ON MORE THAN ONE TEAM**

\_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_

Cadet Name \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
(Print)

**You must attend all scheduled practices if you are on the team. Not participating in a scheduled practice without informing the instructor may be grounds for removal regardless of the position you hold on the team. Failure to follow all rules and regulations as directed by the team coach is grounds for immediate removal from the team. All after school team practices end at 4:30 PM. Cadets must be picked up or be on the activity bus by 5:00 PM. Cadets who cannot be picked up on time may be subject to removal from the team. If a cadet must leave practice early they must inform the coach prior to practice. A cadet leaving early must bring all their personal gear outside to practice. They will be released from the practice field and not authorized back into the school building. Parents can pick-up a student leaving early from the student parking lot. An early pick-up must be coordinated before practice as cadets are not authorized to have phones at practice. There is no cost to join any of these teams!**

### Parental/ Guardian Consent Form for JROTC Special Team Participation

I, \_\_\_\_\_, permit my  
(Parent/Guardian Name – Printed)

Cadet, \_\_\_\_\_ to participate in SFMHS JROTC  
(Student Name – Printed)

Special team activities: I understand I am responsible to pick my Cadet up at the end of training as scheduled (No later than 30 minutes after practice ends). Transportation problems that continue to exist may result in removal from the team unless prior coordination is made with the instructor.

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

### Emergency contact information:

Person to call in the event of an emergency: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate: \_\_\_\_\_

Cellular: \_\_\_\_\_ (if used as primary number must remain on during our practice time)  
(Return all forms to your JROTC Instructor)