



East Central High School JROTC
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****COURSE SYLLABUS SY 2019-2020****

I. JROTC Instructors: Captain (Retired) Keisha L. Spaulding, Command Sergeant Major (Retired) Frank Leota and Master Sergeant (Retired) Terry Ceasor.

II. COURSE TITLE: Army Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps (JROTC) Leadership, Education and Training (LET) 1 to 4.

III. TITLE OF TEXTBOOK: JROTC Program of Instruction, Units 1 – 7.

IV. COURSE OVERVIEW: Junior ROTC is designed to teach high school students the value of citizenship, leadership, personal responsibility, and a sense of accomplishment, while instilling in them self-esteem, teamwork, and self-discipline. **The primary mission of JROTC is “To motivate young people to be better citizens.”** This curriculum prepares high school students for responsible leadership roles while making them aware of their rights, responsibilities, and privileges as American citizens. Meanwhile, the program is a stimulus for promoting graduation from high school, while providing instruction and rewarding opportunities that benefit the student, community, and nation.

V. INSTRUCTIONAL APPROACH: JROTC is taught through a combination of lecture, group discussions, practical exercises, demonstrations, hands-on/performance oriented training, and drill and ceremony. Cadets are graded on effort, rather than actual performance on physical activities such as cadet challenge (physical fitness). Monday through Thursdays are instructional days and Fridays are **MANDATORY** physical activity days. **Tuesday** is **MANDATORY** uniform and inspection day. All cadets must wear their uniform the **entire school day**. Cadets and parents are financially responsible for all issued uniforms and equipment if lost, stolen, or mistreated. **Please note that cadets will be required to wear their JROTC polo shirt and khaki pants (ONLY) on designated uniform days. SHORTS AND JEANS ARE PROHIBITED WITH THE CORPS POLO.**

VI. EXPECTATIONS:

A. DISCIPLINE – Standard School rules, JROTC published regulations (CCR145-2 and JROTC Standard Operating Procedures), and classroom rules. Push-ups are used, by JROTC Instructors **ONLY**, as one of the tools to help focus cadets in class and also to improve cadet challenge physical fitness scores. Push-ups **are not** used as a form of punishment, but used to ensure attention to detail is kept up at all times. Cadets are required to have/maintain a class portfolio and must be available every day they are in JROTC class. This portfolio will be part of your nine week grade.

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B. ATTENDANCE – Make up work must be coordinated through the cadet’s instructor.

C. COURSE EXPECTATIONS -- Cadets should be able to demonstrate the following:

1. A sense of responsibility.
2. Leadership traits applicable to their rank & experience.
3. A desire to excel both mentally and physically.
4. Involvement in school and community activities.
5. Awareness of current local and world events.
6. Acceptable level of curriculum knowledge.
7. Good “followership”, teamwork, and self-discipline.

D. HOMEWORK – The bulk of JROTC work will be done in class except essays and occasional assignments.

E. GRADING – In this course you will complete a total of five performance assessments (Inspection, Exams, Classwork, Drill & Ceremony, and Physical Training), which will be in the form of projects. Each assessment will be evaluated using a scoring guide. All assignments and projects are based on points. The points you receive on each of the scoring guides will be totaled and translated to grades as follows:

Grade Percent

A – 90-100%

B – 80-89%

C – 70-79%

Failure – 69 and below

F. ADDITIONAL UNIFORM INFORMATION & REQUIREMENTS:

1. Wearing the uniform: A cadet with an excused absence or whom an instructor has excused must make up the missed uniform day on the **next school day**. A cadet who does not wear the uniform will receive a zero for that inspection day.

2. Failure to wear the uniform: Cadets who consistently refuse to wear the uniform or consistently wears it improperly, will be removed from the JROTC program.

3. Mandatory Forms: All cadets must complete and return mandatory forms to participate in JROTC. Those forms include the Student Media Release Form; Contract of Release & Waiver of Liability; Privacy Act & Health Statement; and the JUMS Personal Data.

4. Awards Night: All cadets are highly encouraged to attend the annual awards night, which will be held on **May 7, 2020**.

5. Military Ball: The military ball is tentatively scheduled for **April 4, 2020**. All cadets are highly encouraged to attend the annual military ball. This is a formal event that all JROTC schools are required to conduct annually.

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G. RANK: Promotion to the next higher grade will not be “automatic”. All promotions will be earned by performance in assigned position, attitude and conduct. Cadet Sergeants and above must also demonstrate their competence at a promotion board held by senior cadets. School grades are also very important in this process. Our goal is to place only those cadets with a GPA of 2.5 or above in key leadership/staff positions. Cadets may be reduced in rank/position for their in-school/out-of-school conduct and failing grades.

VII. COURSE HIGHLIGHTS:

Introduction to JROTC
Map Reading/Compass Use
Leadership
Leadership
Drill & Ceremony
Foundations for Success
Administration First Aid Improve
Reading Ability
Cadet Challenge (Physical Fitness) Career
Opportunity Service Learning Project
Public Speaking
High School Financial Planning
Alcohol/Drug Prevention
Citizenship

VIII. **WRITING REQUIREMENT** (Required for ALL cadets): **One MANDATORY writing assignment every 9 weeks.** Papers should be 300-400 words in length; typewritten as a Microsoft Word (Windows version) document; double-spaced; 1” margins; Arial, and 12 point font. You may ask your English teacher to review the essay prior to turning it in to ensure you have turned in your best effort.

IX. EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES: The following JROTC activities will be available to cadets with at least a 2.0 grade point average (exceptions will be addressed on a case by case basis) who desire to participate. **NOTE: All JROTC extracurricular activities will adhere to UIL standards to participate at Drill Meets and performances throughout the year.**

1. Color Guard – All Year
2. Armed Drill Team – All Year
3. Unarmed Drill Team – All Year
4. Physical Fitness Team – All Year
5. Orienteering Team – Seasonal
6. Honor Guard – Seasonal
7. Raider Team – Seasonal
8. Academic Team – Seasonal
9. Leadership Team – Seasonal

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