

## Naval Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps Brooke Point High School 1700 Courthouse Road Stafford, Virginia 22554

Dear Parents and Cadets,

Congratulations on your decision to be a part of the Naval Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps (NJROTC). Our unit will be undergoing several changes this summer as we look forward to an exciting year and the numerous opportunities it will provide. Cadets will be limited only by their own level of interest and desire to participate. Historically, the students that have gotten the most out of this program are the ones who get involved early.

NJROTC offers a unique environment for high school students. In addition to the academic challenges, cadets are provided opportunities to assume administrative and military leadership positions within the battalion. All cadets will be encouraged to participate in an array of activities, which include: color guard, drill team, orienteering team, marksmanship team, academic team, cyber team and community service projects. Capable junior and senior cadets can also compete for college ROTC scholarships or an appointment to a service academy based on their academic performance, aptitude, and leadership potential.

Our program, by necessity, has high standards. Cadets are expected to possess a willing attitude, participate in NJROTC activities and abide by some very specific rules regulating conduct (in and out of the JROTC classroom), uniform and personal grooming standards. Additionally, cadets in good standing will have the opportunity to participate in some unique field trips. In past years our field trips included simulators aboard the Quantico Marine Corps Base, the National Museum of the Marine Corps, Prince William Forest Park orienteering courses, drill and marksmanship competitions and the Navy Air Show at Oceana Naval Air Station.

To facilitate your Cadet's transition to high school and NJROTC, we will be holding a Black-Hawk Basic summer orientation program for all new Cadets (date TBD). The location for this event will be Brooke Point High School and will provide an overview/exposure to all the unit activities we offer. Each session will run from approximately 7:30-12:30 and your Cadet will be guided through each step of the process by upper level Cadets serving as instructors and mentors. All rising NS-1's will be forwarded information regarding this event.

The attached forms should be completed and returned to Brooke Point NJROTC. These forms are mandatory for participation in most of our activities and must be on file for all Cadets. By returning these forms you ensure your Cadet will be included in all updates regarding summer activities. Should any questions arise, please feel free to contact the instructors by phone or at the email address below.

We look forward to meeting and working with each of you.

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