NJROTC UNIT



Escambia High School 1310 N. 65th Avenue Pensacola, FL 32506

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

We would like to take this time to extend a welcome to the new students entering the NJROTC program at Escambia High School. We are excited about the upcoming school year and are eager to get started. As a first-year cadet in the NJROTC program, we recommend that your student gets a head start by attending the Cadet Basic Course.

Cadet Basic will start Monday, 29 JULY 2019, and end Friday, 02 AUGUST 2019. Class times are from 7:30 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. The course will cover approximately 20 hours of classroom instruction, physical training, and basic drill. Upon completion, students will receive a graduation certificate and their first promotion to the rank of Seaman Apprentice. A graduation ceremony will be held Friday, 02 August at 10:00 a.m. in the Escambia High School Gymnasium.

When school starts, students completing Cadet Basic will be placed in leadership positions as class leaders and squad leaders. They will be expected to lead their fellow students as well as assist in training those who did not attend the training.

Parents are asked to drop off their students no later than 7:20 a.m. and pick them up no later than 1:15 p.m. each day. They should dress comfortably for hot weather: T-shirts, shorts, and tennis shoes. Please ensure they bring bottled water and that they hydrate well before the course starts, as well as each day. There is a \$5.00 fee for the course that is due the first day of class. In addition, a \$30.00 one-time cost for the school year for NJROTC covers their NJROTC T-shirt, nametag, AMI dry cleaning, and supplemental accident insurance; this amount may be paid during Cadet Basic or when school starts.

Please let us know if your student is planning to attend Cadet Basic by email to <u>afrancis@escambia.k12.fl.us</u>. If you have any questions or concerns, please give us a call at 850-453-3221 ext. 254.

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