



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
US ARMY JROTC "SCREAMING EAGLE" BATTALION
CUMBERLAND VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL
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Dear Parents,

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We are very pleased to offer Cumberland Valley High School students the opportunity to take Junior ROTC classes during Academic Year 2023-24. Students in all grades are eligible to enroll in JROTC. You can learn more about JROTC in other references on our School District web page, including the Course Information Packet, Classroom Procedures, and Frequently Asked Questions.

The JROTC mission is "To motivate young people to be better citizens." While the program benefits from the Army's world-class leadership education and training programs, there is no military obligation for participating in JROTC. The program is designed to help all students improve their high school performance and to prepare for meaningful opportunities following graduation. JROTC helps students to improve their leadership abilities, self-discipline, sense of teamwork, organization and study skills, ability to communicate, knowledge of healthy lifestyles, and sense of service.

The cornerstone of the program is the Leadership Education and Training (LET) course which is taught as an elective during regular school hours and integrates the following topics: Leadership, American Citizenship, Learning Skills, Wellness, First Aid, Finance/Investing/Insurance, Post-Secondary Careers (trying to figure out what you want to be when you grow up), American History, Geography. Students also can participate in extracurricular activities, including the Raider Team (Physical Fitness and Adventure Skills), the Drill Team, the Color Guard, the Academic Team, and the Leadership Team. These teams can participate in local, regional, and national competitions. Lastly, our cadet battalion participates in numerous community service and school support activities throughout the school year.

All interested students enter the JROTC program by enrolling in Leadership Education and Training 1 (LET 1). This is a full-credit elective course that students can schedule through their guidance counselors. The program has four levels of LET classes that are taken sequentially, so students can take JROTC throughout high school if they desire. Cadets who take the LET 3 & 4 courses receive Honors credit.

We are very encouraged by the enthusiasm with which the JROTC Program has been received and look forward to working with you for the benefit of your child, Cumberland Valley High School, and the larger community. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact us.

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