



TX-20081 AFJROTC Cadet Group
Forney High School
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Dear AFJROTC Parents, Guardians, and Scholars

It is my pleasure to welcome you and your Cadet to the Forney Independent School District (FISD), Air Force Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (AFJROTC) program. Whether new or returning to the program, your Cadet has chosen to be a part of one of the most robust and viable programs in the school district.

Air Force Junior ROTC offers students the opportunity to be cultivated into positive role models and provides each cadet a place to belong, excel and be rewarded. Thus, cadets will have a positive educational experience in which they will be encouraged to graduate and pursue higher educational and employment opportunities. Additionally, JROTC teaches the importance of values such as citizenship, self-esteem, self-respect, service to the community, pride in belonging, self-discipline, and personal, family and social responsibility. AFJROTC offers an endorsement in Public Service and post-high school opportunities in the way of enlistment with advanced rank as well as college scholarship opportunities (one of last year's graduates earned \$100,000+ AFROTC scholarship). Our Corps is grounded in the Air Force core values of *integrity first, service before self, and excellence in all we do*. The Corps is student led with citizenship building being a major goal. Students will learn skills that will be valuable throughout their lives.

To keep the competitive fire burning, AFJROTC cadets participate in academic challenges, physical fitness competitions, armed and unarmed drill competitions, and color guard events. During the year, cadets are afforded opportunities to visit colleges and military bases.

Our website contains a copy of the course syllabus for your review and we have sent/will send other documents home with your son or daughter that require your signature and should be returned to school as soon as possible. Please mark your calendar for our first Parent Informational meeting on **Wednesday, August 31, 2022 from 6:30-7:30** p.m. in the Forney High School Cafeteria. In addition, if you would like to get a head start, the documents are also located on our webpage ([click here: TX-20081](#)). The website will be updated periodically, so please use it as your resource for additional AFJROTC information.

Please feel free to contact me if you have questions. I can be reached by email: James Parsons: jparsons@forneyisd.net or call the front office at 469-762-4200 and ask to be transferred to JROTC. Please feel free to enroll in your cadet's "Remind" announcement messaging system. The instructions for enrolling are located on the last page of the course syllabus. I know you will not be disappointed with the positive results soon to be seen in your Cadet's character, actions, focus, and overall demeanor. We are **One Team, One Unit and One Family!**

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