

**AHS AJROTC Parent Boosters**  
**Colonel James C. McGrory Merit Award**  
**Cadet Application**  
**2024-25 Academic Year**

**Criteria and Application Process**

The Atholton High School (AHS) Army JROTC (AJROTC) Parent Boosters are pleased to award the Colonel James C. McGrory Merit Award to two eligible AHS AJROTC seniors. This package gives the details needed and the application. The applying senior does not have to be planning on attending college to be eligible for this award. This is a monetary award.

**Eligibility Criteria**

- Enrolled as a senior taking AJROTC at AHS in Columbia, MD.
- Be in good standing with the AJROTC Corps of Cadets.
- Meet a minimum GPA of 3.0 (weighted).

**Application Process**

- Complete the attached application and all requirements. Be sure to write legibly and fill in each item (or mark N/A) so that your submission is complete. Be clear and concise in your answers.
- Use formal names for instructors, activities and positions.
- Define abbreviations with first use.
- Only list an activity, sport, or volunteer position in one section.
- Include a 1–2-page, double-spaced essay on “The Impact AJROTC Has Made on Me.”
- Completed applications must be in electronic .pdf format and include all parts of the application in one document.
- Completed applications are due to the Scholarship Committee Chair by 11:59 p.m., **April 4, 2025**, and emailed to [atholtonjrotcboosters@gmail.com](mailto:atholtonjrotcboosters@gmail.com) using the subject: **McGrory Application Submission**.
- Incomplete applications will be evaluated as they are received. Late applications will not be considered. Applications in other file formats will not be considered.

**Policy**

The AHS AJROTC Parent Boosters intend to provide this merit award to a Senior Army JROTC cadet based on the application package. This merit award selection will be determined by the duly appointed Merit Award Subcommittee.

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**Student Application Checklist**

**Required Documents:**

- \_\_\_ Cover Sheet
- \_\_\_ Signature Sheet/Transcript
- \_\_\_ Evaluation Form – AJROTC
- \_\_\_ Evaluation Form – Atholton Activities
- \_\_\_ Evaluation Form – Community Activities
- \_\_\_ Evaluation Form – Senior
- \_\_\_ Essay

Complete package submission due by 11:59 p.m. on **April 4, 2025.**

Email completed application in **.pdf format** to: [atholtonjrotcboosters@gmail.com](mailto:atholtonjrotcboosters@gmail.com) using  
**SUBJECT: McGrory Application Submission.**

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**Cover Sheet**

<b>Cadet Name:</b>
<b>Application Date:</b>
<b>Cadet Contact Information</b>
Street Address:
City, State & Zip:
Mobile Phone:
Email:

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**Signature Sheet**

Use this form to demonstrate meeting the 3.0 minimum weighted GPA and good standing in AJROTC.

**Section 1: Grade Point Average**

Please have your Guidance Counselor sign and date this section. Alternatively, cadets may substitute a copy of their unofficial transcript from Synergy without obtaining a signature.

Unweighted:	Weighted:
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Signature	Date
Printed Name	

**Section 2: Army Instructor (AI) Endorsement**

Please have a JROTC Army Instructor sign and date this section certifying the cadet is in good standing with the Army JROTC Program.

Signature	Date
Printed Name	

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**Evaluation Form – AJROTC**

Fill out the information completely. If you did not participate in AJROTC during a given grade, mark as N/A.

Grade	Rank
9	
10	
11	
12	

**AJROTC Special Teams.** Use one row for each team. Add rows as needed. Each row does not need to be used.

Grade(s)	Team	Position – Be Descriptive	Approximate Number of Hours/Week

**AJROTC Awards & Ribbons.** Use one row for each award or ribbon. Include individual awards followed by company awards. Provide a short description of the award or ribbon to provide a better understanding of the significance of the award. Include who granted the award or ribbon if known. Add rows as needed. Each row does not need to be used.

Grade(s)	Award or Ribbon & Description

**AJROTC Competitions.** Use one row for each competition. Add rows as needed. Each row does not need to be used.

Grade(s)	Competition & Description	Approximate Number of Hours/Week



**Other AJROTC Activities.** Include any AJROTC activities not previously listed such as outside activities related to AJROTC. Use one row for each activity. Add rows as needed. Each row does not need to be used.

Grade(s)	Activity & Description	Approximate Number of Hours Participating

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**Evaluation Form – Atholton Activities**

**Fill out the information completely. Mark N/A if you did not participate in any activities at Atholton HS. i**

**Academic Awards.** Use one row for each award. Examples include principal's, gold and silver honor rolls and any other academic accolades. Provide a short description of the award to provide a better understanding of the significance of the award. Include who granted the award if known. Add rows as needed. Each row does not need to be used.

Grade(s)	Award	Description

**Athletics.** Use one row for each team. Designate JV or Varsity. Include a x for captain or co-captain if you were selected as captain or co-captain. Include competitive club sports if AHS does not offer the sport at the varsity level (i.e. martial arts, hockey, swimming, etc.). Add rows as needed. Each row does not need to be used.

Grade(s)	Team	Awards	Captain or Co-Captain

**Extracurricular Activities.** Use one row for each extracurricular activity/club at AHS. Add rows as needed. Each row does not need to be used.

Grade(s)	Activity/Club	Role or Position & Description of Activities	Approximate Number of Hours/Week

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**Evaluation Form – Community Activities**

Fill out information completely or mark N/A if it does not apply to you.

**Volunteer Activities.** Use one row for each volunteer activity or community service outside of AHS. Describe in detail the duties you performed. Add rows as needed. Each row does not need to be used.

Grade(s)	Organization & Role	Explanation of Duties Performed	Approximate Number of Hours/Week

**Work Experience.** Use one row for each paid work experience or unpaid internship not previously listed. State if the hours are for the summer or school year. Add rows as needed. Each row does not need to be used.

Grade(s)	Employer	Title/ Description of Duties	Approximate Number of Hours/Week

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**Evaluation Form – Senior**

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**Post-Graduate Plans:**

**Scholarships Awarded:**

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**Essay Rubric: “The Impact AJROTC Has Made on Me”**

Write a 1-2 page, double-spaced essay on the impact of being a cadet in the AHS AJROTC program. Your essay will be evaluated using the following rubric, so keep it in mind while writing your essay. Use your authentic voice to write the essay.

	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Addresses Topic</b>	Writer consistently addresses topic throughout	Writer mostly addresses topic throughout	Writer addresses topic but does not elaborate	Writer goes off topic and/or includes unrelated content	Writer doesn't address topic
<b>Examples provided</b>	Meaningful examples provided	Good examples provided	Fair examples provided	Poor examples provided	No examples provided
<b>Organization &amp; Focus</b>	Complete, unified & well focused	Mostly unified and focused	Some cohesion and unity of thoughts	Little cohesion and unity	Rambles, repeats or loses focus
<b>Overall Impression</b>	Excellent essay	Very good essay	Good essay	Fair essay	Poor essay
<b>Writing Skills: Mechanics (spelling, grammar) &amp; Usage</b>	No obvious errors	1-2 obvious errors	3-4 obvious errors	5-6 obvious errors	6+ obvious errors



## **The Impact AJROTC Has Made on Me**



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I hereby certify that the information provided in this document is true, authentic and accurate to the best of my knowledge and ability.

Signature	Date
Printed Name	