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# **INTRODUCTION TO MCJROTC LEADERSHIP**

## **EDUCATION**

Reference: Program of Instruction (POI)

Marine Corps Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps is a leadership education program designed to help students become responsible and informed citizens. The program develops leadership skills, personal discipline, character, and a sense of pride while teaching cadets about citizenship and responsibility.

Leadership Education helps cadets understand what it means to be a good leader and a good citizen. Cadets learn that leadership involves responsibility, self-discipline, decision-making, and setting a positive example for others. The skills developed through the program can be used in school, at home, in the community, and throughout a cadet's future.

A major purpose of MCJROTC is to develop strong moral character. Cadets are encouraged to understand and practice the Marine Corps core values of Honor, Courage, and Commitment. These values help guide cadets in making responsible decisions and developing respect for themselves and others. Character is demonstrated through actions, including honesty, responsibility, discipline, and respect.

MCJROTC also teaches the importance of citizenship. Cadets learn about the responsibilities and privileges of being an American citizen and develop an appreciation for the country's history and democratic system. Understanding citizenship helps cadets recognize their responsibility to contribute positively to their communities and country.

Another important part of Leadership Education is personal discipline. Cadets learn to take responsibility for their actions, establish standards for themselves, and work toward personal improvement. Discipline helps cadets accomplish goals and prepares them to handle greater responsibilities as they mature.

The program also provides cadets with opportunities to develop leadership skills. Through classroom instruction, activities, and leadership positions, cadets practice communication, teamwork, decision-making, and responsibility. These

experiences allow cadets to gain confidence and learn how to work effectively with others.

MCJROTC Leadership Education ultimately focuses on developing character and citizenship. By learning leadership skills, practicing personal discipline, understanding their responsibilities as citizens, and developing strong moral values, cadets are better prepared to become responsible members of their communities and effective leaders in the future.

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## **PURPOSE:**

The Marine Corps Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps (MCJROTC) program is hereafter referred to as simply the Marine Corps JROTC program.

### **Designed to instill the following in high school students ...**

- Value of Citizenship
- Service to United States
- Personal Responsibility
- Sense of Accomplishment

It prepares high school students for responsible leadership roles while making them aware of their rights, responsibilities, and privileges as American citizens. The program is a stimulus for promoting graduation from high school, and it provides instruction and rewarding opportunities that will benefit the student, community, and nation.

## **COLLABORATION:**

The Marine Corps JROTC program is a cooperative effort on the part of the Marine Corps and the host institution to provide secondary school students with opportunities for total development. Satisfactory completion of the program can lead to advanced placement credit in the Senior ROTC program or advanced rank in the Armed Forces. The Marine Corps JROTC program is one of the Marine Corps's contributions to assisting America's youth to become better citizens.

The program produces successful students and productive adults, while fostering in each school a more constructive and disciplined learning environment. This program makes substantial contributions to many communities and ultimately to the nation's future. It is the centerpiece of the Department of Defense's commitment to America's Promise for Youth through its emphasis on community service and teen anti-drug efforts.

### **This Program Intends to ...**

- Develop leadership and build character.
- Create informed, patriotic, and responsible citizens.
- Develop responsible young adults who are physically, mentally, and morally fit.
- Develop informed and civic-minded young adults prepared for higher education, civilian careers, and public service.
- Instill discipline, respect, and responsibility through military-related subjects and activities.

**COURSE LENGTH :** (9th-12th)

**REQUIREMENTS :**

- COMPLETION OF 8th Grade
- For LE 2-4, completion of previous LE program.

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