# CURRITUCK COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL Air Force Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps

COURSE SYLLABUS
CREDIT HOURS: One elective credit

Prerequisites: None

**INSTRUCTOR INFORMATION:** 

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### **TEXTBOOKS:**

<u>LE-100 Citizenship, Character, and the Air Force Tradition, AS-100 Milestones in Aviation History, AS-220 Intro to Global Awareness, Air Force Drill and Ceremonies Manual</u>

## **COURSE DESCRIPTION:**

Welcome to Aerospace Science. This is a voluntary elective course that cadets can earn up to four elective credits in their four years of high school. This is a blended course designed to promote interaction between returning AFJROTC cadets and new cadets that fosters good citizenship, strengthens character and discipline; as well as to develop a deep sense of responsibility toward family, self, school, the country and the community. This program will instill leadership and mentorship; therefore, it is the responsibility of each student to lead, as well as follow, in order to get the most out of this course. Senior cadets are the organization's leaders. They have already walked in your footsteps and will assist in your training. In this course, you will learn about Aerospace Science, Leadership Education, Drill, and Wellness. You will also be expected to wear the Air Force uniform once per week. The success of Currituck County High School's AFJROTC Cadet Corps relies on your effort, dedication, and commitment to making yourself and others better! Taking AFJROTC does not in any way obligate or recruit cadets to enter the military after graduation. In this school year 2023-24, cadets will learn about the following topics:

<u>Year Cadets</u> Cadets will receive instruction from Chapters 1-5 <u>Traditions</u>, Wellness, and <u>Foundations of Citizenship</u>. Cadets will become familiar with the organization and values of AFJROTC, standards, and wear of the Air Force uniform. Cadets will find readings and assignments in Google Classroom.

#### **Aerospace Science 410: Survival Preparedness**

Students will learn basic survival preparedness. Assignment(s) will include individual work and a group/team project.

## **Aerospace Science 220: Culture Studies**

Cadets will learn about topics relevant to the Culture Studies Curriculum (Chapters 1-2) from the text, <u>An Introduction to Global Awareness</u>. Assignments will include individual work and team educational experiences tied to project-based learning. Student readings/assignments are in

Google Classroom.

# **Leadership Education 400: Fundamentals of Management**

Cadets will learn about leadership/management principles from the text, <u>Fundamentals of Management</u>. Again, student assignments will include individual work and team educational opportunities found in project-based learning. Cadets will find readings and assignments in Google Classroom.

#### **Drill and Ceremonies**

Upper-level cadets are expected to know the basics of drill, as well as assist corps leaders with drill instruction and practice. Upper-level cadets will also learn key positions in ceremonies like Parade, Reveille, and Retreat.

First-year cadets will learn how to perform as a member of a flight. First-year cadets will be assessed regularly in their drill proficiency as this is part of the cadet promotion process.

#### Wellness

Cadets' physical fitness will be evaluated using three assessments: pushups (1 minute), sit-ups (1 minute), and the one-mile run for time. All cadets must participate in an initial fitness test, as well as an end-of-year fitness test. We will also focus on team-building activities to improve communication skills, collaboration, & teamwork. Senior cadets must take an active role in planning and leading fitness tests and corps fitness activities.

# **Community Service**

Community service is an integral part of the AFJROTC program. All cadets should participate in regular community service opportunities at least once or twice per academic semester.

#### **Graded areas:**

Academics/Uniform wear: Normally, every Wednesday is uniform and rank test day. All Cadets will be tested on their knowledge of Air Force JROTC and active duty ranks. To be considered for promotion they must consistently pass these rank tests. If a First or Second Year cadet earns 100% on five rank tests in a row, they will earn a merit promotion to the next higher rank. This can only be done once a semester, and all other promotions will be based on academics, meeting the leadership responsibilities for their current rank and participating in community service and leadership development requirements. Additionally, Cadets that actively hold positions on the cadet staff will be appointed to positional ranks and will retain those ranks as long as they are satisfactorily performing the duties of the position held. Lastly, throughout each chapter and lesson there will be various assignments, quizzes and assessments that will be graded.

Cadets will wear the prescribed uniform on Wednesdays however this date could change for special circumstances at the discretion of the Aerospace Science Instructor and Cadets will be provided no less than 72 hours notice of the change. Wearing the uniform and complying with military grooming standards while wearing the uniform ARE mandatory. These are fundamental and major aspects of this course, and hence, non-negotiable. Failure to meet these requirements will result in a 50% grade for uniform inspection on the first and second occurrence. If there is a third or more subsequent failure to wear the uniform within standards the grade will be a 0% and

can result in course failure and/or removal from the course in accordance with the guidelines provided by the United States Air Force and Currituck County Public Schools.

Cadets may be excused from wearing their uniforms, with prior approval by the Aerospace Science Instructor with <u>no later than 24 hours notice</u> and due to extenuating circumstances, otherwise the request will not be approved. Additionally, if a cadet misses a uniform day due to illness, absence from school or other approved circumstance, he or she will wear the uniform on their first day back to school to get full credit for their uniform inspection. Finally, if a cadet removes their uniform during school hours without prior approval by the Aerospace Science Instructor, he or she will lose credit for their uniform wear. If this occurs, the student can choose to wear the uniform the following day for the full school day to earn back the credit for a passing grade of 70 for that uniform wear.

**Leadership/Drill:** Each cadet will earn a weekly Leadership/Drill grade based on acceptance of personal responsibility, which includes uniform wear, promptness, drill participation, and bearing and behavior both in the classroom and outside the classroom. Attendance is very important, therefore, an <u>unexcused absence or tardy</u> will result in a deduction in the overall weekly grade in this area and missed work may not be made up.

**Wellness Day:** Every Tuesday is Wellness Day and all cadets are required to dress in Air Force Issued Physical Training (PT) clothes and participate. Wellness Grades are figured as follows:

Dress in Issued PT clothes- 15 points Participation in the scheduled physical activity/team building activities-85 points

**Late Work policy:** Cadets that miss an assignment, quiz or assessment will have five school days after the due date to schedule and/or turn in the missing/late work. If the student does not comply with the late work policy a grade of 0% will be annotated in that assignment in PowerSchool.

#### **GRADING Scale:**

Α	90-100
	%
В	80-89%
С	70-79%
D	60-69%
F	0-59%

# **Classroom Expectations:**

- 1. Be on time
- 2. Be in your seat with your cell phone put away and prepared for class when the bell rings.
- 3. Respect yourself and others around you
- 4. Clean up after yourself
- 5. Work hard every day!

6. **Materials needed:** Writing utensils, paper, chromebook

**Hall Pass Policy:** Any student wishing to visit any area of the High School during class hours must have an E-hall pass. School policy is no one can leave the room for the first 15 minutes and the last 15 minutes of class, so unless it is an emergency, please do not ask to leave during these times.

**School Rules:** All School Rules/Policies will be enforced in the classroom. Failure to comply with these rules will result in a phone call to your parent/guardian and an office referral.

**Cell Phones and Other Electronic Devices:** The CCHS cell phone and electronic device policy will be strictly enforced in the classroom.

#### **CCHS Student Cell Phone Protocol**

Warning/Call Parent
1st Offense- cell phone taken by office for a day
2nd Offense- cell phone taken by office and parent must pick it up
3rd Offense- cell phone taken and can only be picked up with a parent conference.

**Parent Communication:** Parents can check on their child's grade at any time using the Parent Portal. This is an online tool that allows you to view my gradebook at your convenience. Additionally, progress reports will be handed out every 4 ½ weeks or upon request. These reports include missing tasks as well as the cadets current grade in the class and on each assignment.

**Honor Code:** All assignments are given with the understanding that each individual will complete that assignment in an honest manner. Actions in terms of discipline will be assessed individually. Group Work means just that- everyone in the group will contribute and all group members are responsible for understanding the information.

**Teacher Responsibility:** I am very excited about the new school year and a new semester of new and previous cadets. This is a new beginning for cadets as they start this new school year and I will work very hard to make this a great year and learning experience for your child. My pledge is to partner with you to make this happen. Please feel free to contact me anytime you have a concern or a question. I will encourage every student in AFJROTC to be involved in all aspects of the program, to include school and community service activities.

**Attendance Policy:** Being tardy to class is unacceptable and will be addressed in accordance with school policy.

Students with an A average do not have a limit on EXCUSED absences.

Students with a B average have a limit of two EXCUSED absences.

If a student has ANY UNEXCUSED absences(this applies to an A and a B), they will not be exempted from their exam (District and Teacher Made Only).

Policy 3410 Testing and Assessment Program

C. High School End-of-Course Testing

High school students must take all end-of-course (EOC) tests and Career and Technical Education (CTE) State Assessments required by the State Board of Education. For all students, excluding English Learner students in their first year in a U.S. school and students following the Occupational Course of Study Pathway, the results of EOC tests and CTE State Assessments will count as 20 percent of a student's final grade in each high school course for which there is an EOC test or CTE State Assessment. However, the results of such assessments will not factor into a student's final grade in a course during the initial implementation year of a new assessment for that course where scores are not immediately available due to standard setting. Test results will not be calculated into the final grade for English Learner students in their first year attending a U.S. school and students following the Occupational Course of Study Pathway.

As recognition for good attendance and academic performance, a student with an A average will be exempt from final exams in courses which do not require state exams. A student with a B average and not missing more than two days during the semester will be exempt from final exams in courses which do not require state exams. Students with unexcused absences will not be eligible for this provision. Students will not be exempted from EOC tests or CTE Post Assessments.

\*Students in AFJROTC will take a final exam during the last five days of the semester.

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