

Central Catholic High School
JROTC, LET 1 (1st Year Cadet) Syllabus 2011-2012

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Overview: The first year of JROTC instruction will introduce the cadets to the basic ideas of LEADERSHIP and CITIZENSHIP, and eventually will prepare them to be leaders within their assigned unit and any other leadership position they may want to pursue while at Central Catholic and beyond. Emphasis is placed on personal accomplishment and performance of leadership tasks assigned by the instructors or senior cadets.

Since this course primarily focuses in developing leadership skills in order to develop strong citizens, it is imperative that the cadets stay abreast of current events. Maintaining themselves well informed, will expose them to tools and ideas that will enhance their skills. The cadets are encouraged to read newspapers, periodicals, reputable magazines, use the internet and watch newsworthy programs and be prepared to discuss different issues in the classroom. The cadets should use this knowledge along with the leadership philosophy and traits taught and practiced in JROTC to sharpen his critical thinking skills.

The importance of self-reliance and punctuality will be encouraged continuously.

The cadets will always be encouraged to attempt to achieve their maximum level of performance in all phases of their life: spiritual, intellectual and physical.

Quarter Grades will be distributed in 4 categories in the following manner :

25% Proper wearing of the uniform	25% Tests
20% Daily Performance	30% Portfolio, quizzes and homework

The personal conduct of each cadet is a reflection of the JROTC program and the Marianist Characteristics promoted by Central Catholic; therefore, the daily grade (averaged weekly) will reflect the conduct, behavior and performance observed in and outside the classroom during JROTC classes and during any other activity observed by the JROTC instructor. Personal appearance while not in uniform will be included in this grade.

Daily (performance) grade will be affected by unexcused absences; tardiness; not having required material for class; dress attire; distracting, eating, drinking, chewing gum during class; facial hair; unkempt or long hair; unkempt appearance; disrespect towards faculty or students; inappropriate conduct during the Pledge of Allegiance, prayer or mass, Brigade Review ceremonies and any other official event.

All cadets will be required to keep a portfolio which must be maintained by following specific criteria dictated by the US Army Cadet Command and Central Catholic JROTC .

The basic idea is to teach students the importance of being organized and the need to participate in endeavors that teach selflessness and community activity. This project will give the cadet an opportunity to create a dynamic resume which will include information on the cadet's direct involvement in school and community activities and personal growth.

The regular sources for our curriculum will be the LET1 Text book and the LET1 Student Handout issued by the US Army Cadet Command.

Please, clip on the dotted line, sign and return this tab to the LET1 instructor by Friday, 19 August 2011.

By signing, students and parents indicate that they have read and understand the course syllabus. Parents understand that it is their responsibility to check Netclassroom regularly to keep themselves updated on their son's progress. Once per week is strongly recommended.

Print student name

Student signature

Parent signature

The daily grade will be awarded in the following fashion: the cadet will start the day with 100 possible points, points will be deducted as shortcomings are noticed.

Unexcused absence _____ deduct 100 points
Sleeping in class _____ deduct 100 points
Failure to wear uniform ____ deduct 100 points
Long or unkempt hair _____ deduct 50 points
Facial hair _____ deduct 50 points
Long sideburns _____ deduct 50 points
Disrespectful behavior _____ deduct 50 points
Refusal to follow directions __ deduct 50 points
Unprepared for class _____ deduct 25 points
Distracting _____ deduct 25 points
Eating, drinking, chewing ____ deduct 25 points
Lack of participation _____ deduct 25 points
Unexcused tardy _____ deduct 25 points

Uniform grades will be awarded upon completion of the inspection performed by the LET 1 instructor or any other instructor or any senior cadet assigned to conduct the inspection; however, whenever a cadet is in uniform the grade may be adjusted if uniform violations are observed at anytime during the school day. A uniform grade will be awarded each time the cadet wears the uniform on required days. A cadet who is absent on a uniform day will be required to make up that particular grade. The make up should be made the very next day in which the cadet has ROTC class. If the absence was unexcused, the cadet will not be allowed to make up the uniform inspection grade.

Uniform inspections will be graded as follows: each discrepancy will have 5 points deducted from the maximum possible of 100 points, (i.e.: missing or dirty brass items, shoes not shined, haircut, facial hair, wrinkled clothing, dirty clothing, items out of position, missing awards, unauthorized items), 20 points will be deducted for missing major items, (i.e.: headgear, black socks, belt, necktie, white T-shirt (without lettering), jacket, shoes, etc. 5 Points will be deducted for each instance of breach of discipline during military formations. A grade of less than 70 awarded after each inspection will require that the cadet attend detention on a designated day and time, normally, the Friday following the inspection day.

Uniform grades for cadets who will be absent from JROTC activities due to sports/band activities, will make up the uniform day prior to day of the event.

Parents and cadets are encouraged to become familiar with this syllabus and the cadet handbook.

Parents are encouraged to contact the instructor via E-mail to facilitate communications.

Late assignments: Assignments may be turned in one class day late for a maximum possible score of 70.

Absences: *As per school policy, if you are only absent on the day of a test, the day you return to class, you must make arrangements to take the test. Failure to make arrangements will result in a zero.*

NOTE: If you are absent for an official school sponsored activity, you must turn in any work that is due that day prior to leaving campus. If you leave too early to hand the work to me, slip it under the classroom door or ask your coach/moderator to place the work in my mailbox.

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“To motivate young people to be better citizens”