



Department of the Army  
Forest Hill High School  
Junior Reserve Officer's Training Corp  
2607 Raymond Road  
Jackson, Mississippi 39212



To the Parents / Guardians of Forest Hill High School Junior Reserve Officer Training Corp (JROTC) Cadet

SUBJECT: Welcome to Forest Hill, 5<sup>th</sup> Battalion JROTC 2023-2024

The Forest Hill High School (JROTC) program is extremely pleased that your child enrolled in our Leadership Education Training (LET) classes for School Year 2023-2024.

The overall mission of the JROTC program is, *"To motivate young people through caring leadership and positive influence to be better citizens for life-long service to the community."* The ultimate goal of our program is *"To develop and promote good citizenship."* The program is designed to teach high school students the values of citizenship, leadership, service to the community, personal responsibility, and a sense of accomplishment, while instilling in them self-esteem, teamwork and self-discipline. It prepares your child for leadership roles while making them aware of their rights, responsibilities and privileges as American citizens. **There is absolutely no military obligation incurred by your child enrolling in JROTC.**

JROTC is a sequential and progressive 4-year course designed to correspond to the years your child spend in high school. The academic objectives in JROTC include: Citizenship in Action; Leadership Theory and Application; Foundations for Success; Wellness, Fitness and First-Aid; Geography and Earth Science; Citizenship and American History. We strive to reinforce all the other courses students take in high school, while placing special emphasis on developing effective communication skills and improving physical fitness. JROTC is an elective course; and those enrolled are authorized to use JROTC as a substitute for the ½ Carnegie unit Physical Education and ½ Carnegie unit in Individual Health graduation requirement in Mississippi after successful completion of two years in the program. The LET III and LET IV course years will substitute for MS College and Career Readiness (CCR) course beginning in school year 2020.

We also have excellent integrated-curricular activities and competitive teams to further enhance the total development of your child. Our activities/teams are Drill Team, Color Guard, Academic Team, Cadet Challenge (Physical Fitness) Team, Push-Up Team, Adventure Training Unit, 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Honor Guard and Secret Service Team. Your child will participate in various community service projects, attend various summer leadership camps, march in parades and take field trips to locations such as the Civil Rights Museum, the Vicksburg National Military Park, multiple college campus and more. The program conducts many other activities designed to promote the total development of your child. These and other special programs are planned and coordinated by the cadets as part of their practical leadership experience



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Our JROTC instructors are highly experienced professionals who have successfully completed a minimum of 20 years of service in the Army and have also completed a rigorous instructor certification program. Our classrooms are equipped with a wide array of the latest automation and technology equipment, which is designed to enhance student-centered learning, hands-on experience and meaningful interaction with instructional materials, peers and instructors.

All LET I, II, III & IV cadets will have online homework, remedial academic work, and additional credit work @ <https://platform.everfi.net/teacher/homepage>, <https://jacksonps.instructure.com/> and <https://classroom.google.com/u/0/h>. The login and password will be provided to your child during the first two weeks of school. They must also complete a financial literacy, substance awareness and anti bullying course at <https://platform.everfi.net>. All electronically completed work can be shared with instructor at instructor name [@jpsms.org](mailto:@jpsms.org) or [@jackson.k12.ms.us](mailto:@jackson.k12.ms.us).

Our top priority is to ensure your child successfully graduate from high school. We will make every effort to ensure 100 percent of the seniors have letters of acceptance to a post high school institution of higher learning, along with financial-aid and scholarships if qualified, prior to graduation day. Academic intervention is available upon request.

We need your help and welcome your involvement with JROTC and our Parent Support Group as well.

Please don't hesitate to contact LTC Prowell, 1SG Odom or SFC McGruder at (601) 371-4313 or their respective JPS email address if you need additional information about our program. We welcome the opportunity to talk with you and we look forward to working with your child. Another way to remain informed of events in the program is to visit the website at <http://foresthilljrotc.jpsms.org>, Remind 101 link <https://www.remind.com/join/21JROTC> or text 81010 with the message @21JROTC and school status at <https://secure.schoolstatus.com/>.

FHHS Motto - **#learn2lead**;

*Foster Pride*

*Heed to Authority*

*Help one Another*

*Show Self respect*

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