

MUSTANG HIGH SCHOOL JROTC PROGRAM
2019 - 2020 Armed Competitive Drill
Course Syllabus Competitive Drill Class:
PRIMARY INSTRUCTOR CSM JESSE J. BATSS JR.

Students must be enrolled as a LET II - IV in the Mustang High School JROTC program in order to participate in this class; admittance is by instructor approval.

Safety Note: This is a physically demanding class, and physical fitness is an inherent part of the class at no time is exercise to be misunderstood to be punishment. The physical fitness component is building strength and endurance. The parade rifle weighs 8.5 lbs. the momentum and g-force created in execution can cause injuries; additionally, improperly performed procedures may result in injury to either themselves or another cadet. At no time should cadets point, or communicate in a negative manner these facsimile and /or replica weapons at, towards, or around other persons. Any cadet who intentionally violates this mandated safety concern shall be subject to immediate and swift disciplinary procedures.

Purpose: The primary objective of this class is to prepare students to compete in local and regional JROTC Drill Meet competitions where the teams are judged on their esprit de' corps, precision, teamwork and attention to detail as they execute rehearsed and unannounced military style regulation and exhibition marching routines. Drill routines are practiced, choreographed and performed in sequence with precision and attention to details. These teams usually consist of 6 to 10 cadets. Participation of each team member is essential for the successful completion of the team routine; **a team member that continuously misses practice, is unable or unwilling to participate will be removed from the primary team.** Additionally they may not be allowed to travel to competition(s). A student that fails to participate in competition will receive a zero (0) grade for the event, and a makeup assignment will be made available to the cadet as an opportunity to makeup zero (0) grade. **If the cadet continues the pattern of non-participation and fails to participate shall not be retained and denied enrollment in class, the following semester.**

There are numerous subcategories of drill teams, but the two major categories are "Regulation" and "Exhibition."

☐ **Regulation drill Competition (In accordance with Army Regulation TC 3-21.5)**, requires the team and its commander to execute a predetermined series of formation drill maneuvers in sequence with precision and attention to detail In accordance with Military Field Manual for the indicated drill. The drill routines normally last 3 to 4 minutes. In some competitions teams must stand a formal inspection prior to competing with points deducted for each uniform discrepancy or question answered incorrectly. The team with the highest score wins the event.

☐ **Exhibition drill Competition**, also requires the team and its commander to execute a predetermined series of formation drill maneuvers in sequence with precision and attention to detail. In exhibition drill competition each team is allowed to execute their own choreographed routines. The teams are judged much like freestyle figure skating on the level of difficulty, the skill and coordination required to perform the routine, and how well they actually perform the routine. The routines normally last 5 to 8 minutes. In some competitions teams must stand a formal inspection prior to competing with points deducted for each uniform discrepancy or question answered incorrectly. The team with the highest score wins the event.

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☐ **Performance Team**, opportunities may arise for teams to conduct non-graded performances, such as middle school recruiting trip, school assemblies and other various events, gatherings and ceremonies.

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT: Grade is based primarily upon class participation, examinations, Competitions, and weekly uniform inspections.

Grading Scale

A 100% to 90

B 89 to 80%

C 79% to 70%

D 69% to 60%

F 59% to 0%

Graded Areas

Test & Exams- 20%, (4 quizzes, 10 test, & 2 finals)

Uniform Inspection- 30%, (26 scheduled uniform inspections @ 13 per semester, plus 2 more pick-up & turn-in)

Daily Participation- 30%, 5 points per day @ 173 days of school

Competitions- 10% (minimum of 2 per semester, grade will adjust if more events are secured)

Leadership- 10% (Conduct and interaction in the class- see merits and demerits)

☐ **Test and Exams** requires each team member to demonstrate knowledge of Training Publications, Regulations and Procedures used in the execution of Unarmed Drill Performance. Among the topics studied will be; Protocol and Military Courtesies, Rank and Leadership Positions, Wear and appearance of Military Uniform, Steps to conduct drill maneuvers, Courtesies to the USA Flag and the National Anthem, "Manual of Arms," special salutes and funeral procedures. As a minimum there will be one exam before every competition and a Semester Final Exam. Additionally, competition is the ultimate litmus test as to whether or not the cadet has mastered the skills to be a more than adequate drill team member, competitions placing will also be used as a test score.

☐ **Competition:** Most competitions are conducted outside school campus and all students are expected to be eligible in all classes in order to attend. **Students that do not attend any competition during a semester due to ineligibility will be removed from the Drill Class the following semester.**

Competitions are considered a test, Students will receive a grade based on the order that the team place during the competition as followed; First Place, Second Place, Third Place and no placement will receive a grade of 100, 90, 80, and 70 points respectively. **A student who fails to attend a competition due to Ineligibility will receive a grade of 60 for the competition. A student who fails to show up on the day of a competition will receive a grade of zero for the competition** until a make-up assignment is completed. Unique or exceptional situations will be dealt with on a case by case basis.

☐ **UNIFORMS:** All students in this class are expected to maintain appearance in IAW AR 670-1 and CCR 145-2 (to include hair dress, nail polish, and body piercing while in uniform or competitions) and to wear the appropriate uniform during each competition and on the scheduled "Uniform Day". The uniform must be worn all day while the student is at school or at the competition place. An excused absence on uniform day may be made up within the next four days (Friday, Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday). If the uniform is worn on the students first day back he or she will receive for full credit based on the standard uniform inspection criteria.

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Students who come to class on uniform day, not in uniform, will also be allowed to make up the uniform inspection during the same week (Friday, Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday) with a 10-point deduction for each day late (i.e. maximum possible score of 90%, 80%, 70%, and 60%). If uniform wear for the week is not made up within the allotted time, the cadet will receive a zero for that week's inspection.

☐ **Daily Participation:** A grade for participation will be entered in the grade book weekly. **5 points** will be awarded **for each day** that the student **participates** in Drill Practices. All team members are expected to attend all practices in order to obtain the maximum number of points for this grade. A student must be present and engaged in practices in order to receive the point for participation. A student that is present but do not participated do to personal reasons (not feeling well, injured or not eligible due to failing grades) will not receive the points for participation.

COMMUNICATIONS: Parents/guardians are encouraged to contact us any time you have questions or concerns about the program, grades, wear of the uniform, or anything else pertinent to JROTC. Our office phone number is (405) 376-9334 or emails us:

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List of possible drill meets:

Top of Texas Drill Meet	Wichita Falls, TX	8 October 2018
Lawton Ike Redd Legg Drill Meet	Lawton, OK	27 October 2018
Mustang Ultimate Showdown Drill Meet	Mustang, OK	9 March 2019
(T) Carl Albert Titan Challenge Drill Meet	Midwest City, OK	TBA
(T) Tulsa Union Drill Meet	Tulsa, OK	TBA
(T) Oklahoma State Championship	State Fair Grounds OKC	TBA
(t) Bixby USMC Drill Meet	Bixby, OK	TBA

T- tentative