## NAVY JUNIOR RESERVE OFFICER TRAINING CORPS

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IN REPLY REFER TO:

NJROTC August 16, 2019

From: Naval Science Department To: Parents and Guardians

Subj: NAVY JUNIOR RESERVE OFFICER TRAINING CORPS (NJROTC) SCHOOL YEAR 2019-2020

- 1. I want to welcome you to the Miami Beach Senior High School NJROTC Program. I am looking forward to having your student as a cadet.
- 2. I want to address a couple items right up front; NJROTC is a leadership and citizenship development program with national accreditation, it is NOT a military recruiting tool. I do not get rewarded for cadets who join the military, nor do I get punished if none join. NJROTC uses military physical fitness, discipline, customs and courtesies, and operational history to help our cadets achieve personal success, however they define it.
- 3. Our unit will be **ACTIVE**! Your student will get as much out of the program as they are willing to put in. We have a drill team, physical fitness team, color guard, and academic team. These teams meet before, during, and after school to prepare the cadets for competitions. We travel around our assigned area to compete, as well as competing in "mail-in" or "postal" competitions. In addition to our many teams, we will go on one-day trips to colleges, local bases, and local ship visits. These visits will provide to cadets the many opportunities that are available after high school.
- 4. We will be issuing your student a NJROTC cadet uniform. It is his/her responsibility to maintain the uniform and wear it properly. This includes having regulation haircuts, shaving, no earrings on males and only one earring for females. Hair styling while in uniform must be completed **PRIOR** to coming to school, and all times while wearing the uniform. They are **REQUIRED** to wear the uniform on the designated uniform day each week, usually a **Wednesday or Thursday**. We will teach them what they need to know; failing to wear the uniform or failing to wear it properly will severely hurt their grade in this class. Uniform requirement is 40% of a cadet's final grade.

- 5. We conduct weekly physical training (PT) and drill on either a Monday or a Tuesday. Cadets will receive a physical training (exercise) uniform that is to be worn only during PT sessions and not to during classes. Cadets need to wear appropriate footwear on these days; sandals, high heels, and boots are not appropriate. Physical training and drill requirement are 40% of a cadet's final grade.
- 6. The NJROTC training materials and books will be made available to cadets electronically. Academics will be conducted either on Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday. Academics is 20% of a cadet's final grade.
- 7. There are several forms that required your signature. Please review them with your student, sign them, and get them back to us immediately. Cadets will not be able to participate in trips and activities until the forms are returned.
- 8. This is a participatory class. There is no way to make up experiences in the classroom that a student misses by being absent. Additionally, we want students to develop good habits of attendance that will follow them into the workplace. Please help your student avoid truancy and absenteeism.
- 9. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions or require additional information. LCDR Duke Louidor: <u>DLouidor@dadeschools.net</u> and HM1 Ronal Hunter rdhunter@dadeschools.net.

Sincerely,

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Duquesne Louidor LCDR, USN, (RET)

## Attached:

- 1) NJROTC Standard Release Form
- 2) Personal Data Form
- 3) NJROTC Health Risk Questionnaire