

February 12, 2007

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Your child has indicated an interest in Junior Marine ROTC program at Harrison Community High School. This course is described briefly on the next page. Please discuss this program with your child and call the high school if you have any questions.

The ROTC program is available to students in grades 9-12 and may be taken for elective credit all four years of high school. The class involves some physical activity, but there are no physical requirements more difficult than those of a physical education class. Once scheduled for ROTC students must remain in the program for the entire school year. This class does involve military dress and protocols.

If you wish to have your child considered for inclusion in this program for the 2007-08 school year please read the attached pamphlet and sign the slip at the bottom of the second page of this packet. Return the slip to the high school counseling office by Monday, February 19, 2007.

Sincerely Yours,

**Thomas J. House
Principal
Harrison High School**

Cadet Objectives: The overall objectives of the cadets are: Develop into informed and responsible citizens, develop leadership skills, strengthen character, understand the basic elements and requirements for national security, form habits of self-discipline, develop respect for, and an understanding of, the need for constituted authority in a democratic society. Balanced excellence among all areas is the determining factor for superior achievement.

Community involvement is a primary method for developing good citizenship. Academic excellence within military subjects and other scholastic disciplines must be stressed and encouraged. Our most productive future leaders and informed citizens will be those who set high goals for scholastic achievement. Cadets should be recognized for scholastic discipline and desire to achieve improved GPAs. Military skills build self-confidence, unit pride and offer a tremendous degree of self-satisfaction.

Missions: MCJROTC is an academic course of instruction that combines the advantages of military training with the educational principles of secondary schooling for the purpose of teaching leadership and citizenship. MCJROTC is designed to develop discipline, confidence, and pride, and to instill a desire for improvement and achievement in cadets. The course of instruction is integrated with the general high school curriculum to develop positive attitudes, values, and leadership skills. The purpose of MCJROTC is to :

- . Develop informed and responsible citizens.
- . Strengthen character,
- . Help form habits of self-discipline.
- . Develop respect for authority.
- . Promote an understanding of the basic elements of national security.

I have read the attached pamphlet and agree that my child can be considered for ROTC for the 2007-2008 school year.

Student Signature

Parent Signature