



**HILLSIDE HIGH SCHOOL JROTC  
HORNET BATTALION  
DURHAM, NC 27707**



**Dear Students, Parents, and Guardians,**

Welcome to Hillside High School Army Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (AJROTC). Today is the beginning of what we hope will be a partnership of a highly successful year and a journey through the high school experience for students, parents/guardians. We are part of approximately 1,745 Army JROTC programs running throughout the nation, with more than 274,000 cadets. As a student, you are responsible for your own learning. You will need to come to school with spirit of curiosity, openness for knowledge, preparation for the day's activity without excuses. You are expected to be punctual and present for all classes.

You will need to be prepared when you arrive for your virtual (or live) class by having completed all homework assignments and having all of your necessary equipment, example: pen/pencil, composition style notebook, and paper. All rules for Hillside High School will be enforced, especially for contraband items (cell phones, radios, food, gum, etc...). While in your virtual (or live) classroom, you will be expected to respect the rights, feelings, and opinions of your classmates. Be courteous and always use appropriate language. When we return to a live setting, you will always need to practice safety, especially when engaging in the many JROTC extra-curricular activities. You will be expected to obey and carryout to the best of your ability the orders of your cadet leaders and the chain of command as well as all school rules and regulations.

Parents/guardians, your assistance will be required in monitoring your child's attendance at virtual (or live) school for tardiness and absenteeism. He/she will need your sincere interest in becoming part of the virtual (and live) JROTC experience. As a JROTC cadet, PARTICIPATION in JROTC activities, e.g. Uniform Inspections are a graded portion of his/her JROTC academic grade. Should a cadet be absent from virtual school (or live) for any period of instruction, he/she must makeup assignments (i.e. uniform wear) or test(s) within the quarter. Should there be an extended absence from school; parents/guardians should request through his/her counselor homework assignments that will keep your cadet on track with their subjects.

Again, I welcome you to the Hillside High School JROTC program and if you have any questions, please contact us at: [otha.hester@dpsnc.net](mailto:otha.hester@dpsnc.net) or [jeffery.matthews@dpsnc.net](mailto:jeffery.matthews@dpsnc.net)

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