Chapter 7: Uniform and Awards, Operational Supplement

Foreword

Chapter 7 of this Operational Supplement (Ops Sup) describes how AFJROTC cadets will wear the uniform and maintain Air Force grooming standards while in uniform. AFI 36-2903, 21 May 2020, describes how to properly wear the Air Force uniform and this Operations Supplement describes how AFJROTC will wear rank, ribbons, medals, and other accoutrements. Cadets are wearing the same basic uniform as the active duty Air Force, and they will be expected to honor and wear the uniform properly and with pride. This chapter provides the latest guidance and clarification on AFJROTC uniform wear for instructors and cadets. It also provides guidelines for cadet appearance and grooming.

The AFJROTC Awards and Decorations Program recognizes the achievements of AFJROTC cadets and fosters increased morale and esprit-de-corps. This chapter outlines the proper execution of a successful unit Awards and Decorations Program.

Changes to this Ops Sup are highlighted in yellow.

ACCOUTREMENTS (GENERAL)

7.1. Insignia Placement. Insignia on the AFJROTC uniform will be worn according to the figures contained in this guide.

7.2. Aviation Badges and Flight Suits. Cadets will wear one of the following badges in rank order: (lowest to highest) Flight Solo Badge, Unmanned Aircraft Badge, Aviation Ground School, and Flight Certificate Badge. Flight Suits are authorized for those cadets who meet all requirements listed in paragraphs 7.2.1 – 7.2.4. Purchase flight suits through WINGS/FEDMALL. **Flight Suits are accountable uniforms items and must be issued/returned via WINGS.** (See Attachment 7-13).

7.2.1. Flight Solo Badge. Awarded to any cadet possessing a solo flight certificate signed by a FAA Certified Flight Instructor for either powered or non-powered aircraft. Email HQ-Logistics@afjrotc.com a copy of the cadet’s Flight Solo Certificate, and then go to WINGS | Logistics | Create Display Orders and order the Flight Solo Badge.

7.2.1.1. **Flight suits are not authorized solely on obtaining the Flight Solo Badge.** (See Attachment 7-13).

7.2.2. Unmanned Aircraft Badge. Awarded for successful completion of the Remote Pilot Certification Test. Email HQ-Logistics@afjrotc.com a copy of the cadet’s FAA Certificate, and then go to WINGS | Logistics | Create Display Orders and order the applicable badge.

7.2.2.1. **Flight suits are authorized for cadets who successfully pass the FAA Part 107 knowledge test and are “active” members of the units unmanned aircraft/multicopter team.**

7.2.3. Aviation Ground School Badge. Awarded for successful completion of the FAA Private Pilot Practical Test (Powered or Glider). Email HQ-Logistics@afjrotc.com a copy of the cadet’s FAA Certificate, and then go to WINGS | Logistics | Create Display Orders and order the applicable badge.
7.2.3.1. Flight suits are authorized for cadets enrolled in AFJROTC Aviation Honors Ground
School. Upon completion, continuous wear is authorized for cadets who successfully pass the FAA
Private Pilot Practical Test (Powered or Glider), otherwise flight suits will be returned to unit’s
logistics inventory via WINGS. (See Attachment 7-13).

7.2.4. Flight Certificate Badge. The Flight Certificate Badge is the highest aviation badge awarded
to Awarded to any cadet who possesses a valid FAA pilot’s certificate for either powered or non-
powered aircraft. Email HQ-Logistics@afjrotc.com a copy of the cadet’s Flight Certificate, and then
go to WINGS | Logistics | Create Display Orders and order the Pilot Certificate Badge.

7.2.4.1. Flight suits are authorized for cadets that have earned the private pilot’s flight certificate
badge (See Attachment 7-13).

7.2.5. Awareness Presentation Team Badge. Awarded for participation on an Awareness
Presentation Team. Criteria for becoming a member of the team will be published in the Cadet
Guide or the Unit Operating Instructions. Go to WINGS | Logistics | Create Display Orders and
order the Awareness Presentation Team Badge.

7.2.6. Kitty Hawk Air Society Badge. Awarded to cadets who are members of the Kitty Hawk Air
Society. The unit’s Kitty Hawk charter will spell out the requirements for entry into the society. Go
to WINGS | Logistics | Create Display Orders and order the Kitty Hawk Air Society Badge.

7.2.7. Distinguished AFJROTC Cadet Badge. This annual award consists of a certificate and the
Distinguished AFJROTC Cadet badge. The award recognizes one outstanding second-year cadet
(third-year cadet in a 4-year program) selected at the end of each school year. This allows the
recipient to wear the award their final year in the AFJROTC program. The recipient must be of high
moral character, demonstrate positive personal attributes, display outstanding military potential, and
maintain consistent academic and military excellence. The SASI, in coordination with the ASI and
with the concurrence of the principal, selects the recipient of this award. The Holm Center Form
308, Certificate of Recognition, is located in WINGS | Published Files | Directory | Certificates
folder. The certificate is used to present with the badge. The unit must purchase the badge from a
vendor. The recipient will hold the following awards prior to selection:

- a. Leadership Ribbon
- b. Superior Performance Ribbon
- c. Achievement Ribbon
- d. Academic Ribbon
- e. Leadership Development Requirement
- f. Service Ribbon

7.2.8. Aerospace Education Foundation (AEF) Academic Cadet Badge. Awarded to rising
Junior and Senior cadets for academic excellence as signified by attaining a minimum 3.3 grade
point average (GPA) with no grade below a 2.0 GPA on their transcript. The individuals must be
recommended by the SASI. Go to WINGS | Logistics | Create Display Orders and order the AEF
Badge.

7.2.9. Model Rocketry Badge. Awarded to cadets who have fulfilled model rocketry program
requirements. Program requirements can be found in WINGS / Intranet / JROTC / LDR / Rocketry
folder.
7.2.10. Other Badges or Pins. Any badge or pin not specifically authorized by HQ AFJROTC will not be worn on any AFJROTC uniform combination. Pins given to CyberPatriot and Stellar Explorer cadets will not be worn on the AFJROTC uniforms. Only cadets who receive the National Finalist CyberPatriot badge may wear this badge on their uniforms. (See Attachment 7-1)

7.2.11. Marksmanship Awards. Marksmanship competition awards/badges may be worn on the AFJROTC uniform. Males and females will wear the badge (may only wear one) below the ribbons on the blue shirt or service dress uniform. Marksmanship badges will not be worn with medals.

7.2.12. Each Marksmanship athlete may earn one of the three marksmanship badges. They may only wear one of the badges on the uniform, not more than one at a time. These badges are earned by scores obtained in competitions, not practices. These badges are awarded by the unit’s SASI.

7.2.12.1. The basic marksmanship badge - requires a combined score of 170 or above, fired in the prone, standing, and kneeling 3x10 positions.

7.2.12.2. The sharpshooter badge - requires a combined score of 220 or above, fired in the prone, standing, and kneeling 3x10 positions.

7.2.12.3. The expert badge - requires a combined score of 250 or above, fired in the prone, standing, and kneeling 3x10 positions.

7.2.13. The Civilian Marksmanship Program’s (CMP) Junior Distinguished Badges (Gold, Silver and Bronze) are awarded to cadets who distinguish themselves by attaining a series of high rankings in designated major junior air rifle championships that include State Junior Olympic Qualifiers, CMP Cup Matches, the National Junior Olympic Championships and other National Council Three-Position Air Rifle Championships.

7.2.13.1. Badges are earned through CMP and units can visit www.thecmp.org for additional information on how to qualify for the badges.

7.2.13.2. Junior Distinguished Badges are provided, at no cost, by the CMP and cannot be purchased through local vendors or HQ AFJROTC.

7.3. Shoulder patches, cords and tabs.

7.3.1. AFJROTC Patch (white, Lamp of Knowledge). Wear of the AFJROTC official shoulder patch is mandatory on the left sleeve (shoulder) of all uniforms except the raincoat, overcoat, all-weather coat, ABU (front left pocket only). Cadets enrolled in Civil Air Patrol (CAP) and AFJROTC who use the same uniform for both activities may wear the CAP wing patch on the right shoulder sleeve.” Flight Suit - the white, Lamp of Knowledge patch (white circular AFJROTC patch), will be worn on the right sleeve (shoulder) if no unit patch is available. The AFJROTC shield will be worn on the right chest. All flight suit patches will be displaced utilizing Velcro (not sewed onto the flight suit). (See Attachment 13, Note 2).

7.3.2. Unit Patch. Optional. If worn, must be on the right shoulder only (ABU on front right pocket only). Flight Suit - the unit patch will be worn on the right sleeve (shoulder) of the Flight Suit. If no unit patch is available the white, Lamp of Knowledge patch (white circular AFJROTC patch) will be worn (See Attachment 13, Note 2). All flight suit patches will be displaced utilizing
Velcro (not sewed onto the flight suit). Unit patches must be approved by HQ AFJROTC via the waivers module in WINGS prior to purchase or use.

7.4. Shoulder Cords. Cadets are authorized to wear one shoulder cord (double knot, single cord) “infantry” style shoulder cord. Cords will be worn on the left shoulder, grounded to the shoulder seam, with no metal tips, and no wider than 1-inch (no aiguillettes or citation cords). Colors are locally-determined (does not have to be a solid color, may be multi-color), must be conservative, in good taste, and defined in the Cadet Guide or Unit Operations Instruction. Shoulder cord may be worn on regular uniform days. See Chapter 8, Finance Guide, Ops Sup, for purchasing authority.

7.4.1. Criteria for wear and shoulder cord colors will be described in the Cadet Guide or Unit Operating Instructions. On the service dress coat, the cord will be grounded to the left shoulder seam and pinned to the shoulder with the pin hidden beneath the cord. On the blue shirt, the cord will be under the epaulet, grounded to the left shoulder seam and pinned to the shoulder with the pin hidden beneath the cord. See Chapter 8, Finance Guide, Ops Sup, for purchasing authority.

7.5. Shoulder Tabs. Shoulder tabs are either cloth or metal arches denoting participation in an AFJROTC activity. Shoulder tabs are optional. If worn, cadets are authorized to wear one shoulder tab on the right shoulder of the service dress coat and the light blue shirt, centered between the unit patch and the shoulder seam. Tabs will have the name of the activity on them (e.g., drill team, saber team, honor guard, etc.). If no unit patch is worn, tab will be worn no lower than 1 inch below the shoulder seam. If a unit patch is worn, shoulder tab will be centered between the unit patch and the shoulder seam. The SASI will designate which activities will be denoted by shoulder tabs and set the criteria for each. See Chapter 8, Finance Guide, Ops Sup, for purchasing authority.

7.6. Awards and Decorations.

7.6.1. Awards and Decorations. The Cadet Awards and Decorations Program fosters morale, esprit-de-corps, and recognizes achievements of AFJROTC cadets. Awards sponsored by national organizations are funded by the sponsoring organization and donated through local chapters where available. Only Awards and Decorations approved by Holm Center/JR and listed in this guide may be worn. Units cannot purchase matching medals for HQ AFJROTC Approved Ribbons. (Example: Outstanding Cadet, Patriotic Flag, Bataan March, etc.). Only medals specifically designated within this Operational Supplement and depicted on the AFJROTC Ribbon Chart are approved.

7.6.1.1. Units may not create or purchase local awards (ribbons or medals) for wear on the uniform.

7.6.1.2. Ribbons will not be worn with medals. Medals may be worn with the service dress uniform for formal and semi-formal occasions of a limited nature (such as dining ins/outs, military ball, change of command ceremonies, awards ceremonies, picture days, or other formal events as specified by the SASI.) Medals may not be worn on regular uniform days. Place medals on the mounting rack in the proper order of precedence (see para 7.6.3.1).

7.6.1.3. Units are authorized to impose additional criteria (more stringent) to meet local standards and needs without diminishing minimum standards (example: limiting the number of cadets who may earn the award where no guidance is stated, or below stated limits). If such additional criteria are imposed, they must be specifically stated in the Cadet Guide or Unit Operating Instructions.
7.6.1.4. Present awards at appropriate ceremonies. Invite school officials, local civil authorities and parents when practical. Representatives from organizations sponsoring awards will be offered the opportunity to make the award presentation. Display awards when possible for the benefit of the cadet corps. The SASI will ensure that Air Force endorsement of any agency’s product or service is neither stated nor implied.

7.6.2. Only awards and decorations authorized in this publication are authorized for presentation and wear on the cadet uniform.

7.6.2.1. An award is defined as either a ribbon, medal, certificate or scholarship.

7.6.2.2. Awards have been categorized into four categories

7.6.2.2.1. Authorized to present and wear (Paras 7.6.4.1, 7.6.4.2, and 7.6.4.3)

7.6.2.2.2. Authorized to present and unauthorized to wear (Paras 7.6.2.4, 7.6.2.5, 7.6.4.5, and 7.6.4.6)

7.6.2.2.3. Unauthorized. Host organization may submit a package to present (Para 7.6.7)

7.6.2.2.4. Unauthorized to wear (7.6.3)

7.6.2.2. AFJROTC units may not purchase national-level awards, medals, using Air Force funds. The national-level host organization/local chapter must provide the award.

7.6.2.3. Units may receive/present awards (only the ones on our ribbon chart may be worn on the cadet uniform) from any national-level veterans’ organization that is defined as a Congressionally chartered Veterans Service Organizations (VSO), recognized by the Department of Veteran Affairs; a complete list can be found at https://www.va.gov/vso/VSO-Directory.pdf See the complete listing of VSOs below. (See Para 7.6.2.2.2)

7.6.2.4. Any active duty military heritage organization i.e., Special Forces Association, aka the Green Berets, may present awards to cadets. Units with local district Director of Army Instructors (DAI)s shall provide AFJROTC units with a complete listing of awards given by the local district under DAI control (or an officer acting on behalf of the superintendent of schools). Only the awards listed on the AFJROTC ribbon chart maybe worn on the cadet uniform. (See Para 7.6.2.2.2)

7.6.2.5. Local organizations such as banks, local businesses, military Top 3 organization, Chiefs’ Groups, etc., may present awards to cadets. Only the awards listed on the AFJROTC ribbon chart maybe worn on the cadet uniform. (See Para 7.6.2.2.2)

7.6.3. Order of Precedence of AFJROTC medals and ribbons.

7.6.3.1. Authorized AFJROTC Awards. Cadets may only receive one National-level Award for each year they are in AFJROTC and not receive the same National-level award twice during their AFJROTC career (this does not apply to National competition awards). Medals will not be worn on regular uniform days.

7.6.3.2. Guidelines for National-level Awards will be followed to the fullest extent possible. Deviations from established award criteria will not be the norm, but based on a case, by case basis. Unit must uphold the “spirit of intent” of an award. (See Para 7.6.2.2.1)
1. Gold Valor Award (Medal/Ribbon)
2. Silver Valor Award (Medal/Ribbon)
3. Cadet Humanitarian Award (Ribbon)
4. Silver Star Community Service with Excellence Ribbon
5. Community Service with Excellence Ribbon
6. Air Force Association Award (Medal/Ribbon)
7. Daedalian Award (Medal/Ribbon)
8. Daughters of the American Revolution Award (Medal/Ribbon)
9. American Legion Scholastic Award (Medal/Ribbon)
10. American Legion General Military Excellence Award (Medal/Ribbon)
11. Reserve Officers Association Award (Medal/Ribbon)
12. Military Officers Association Award (Medal/Ribbon)
13. Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Award (Medal/Ribbon)
15. National Sojourners Award (Medal/Ribbon)
16. Scottish Rite, Southern Jurisdiction Award (Medal/Ribbon)
17. Military Order of the Purple Heart Award (Medal/Ribbon)
18. Sons of the American Revolution Award (Medal/Ribbon)
19. Military Order of World Wars Award (Medal/Ribbon)
20. American Veterans Award (Medal/Ribbon)
21. Air Force Sergeants Association (AFSA) Award (Medal/Ribbon)
22. Tuskegee Airmen Incorporated AFJROTC Cadet Award (Ribbon)
23. The Retired Enlisted Association Award (Medal/Ribbon)
24. The Celebrate Freedom Foundation Award (Medal/Ribbon)
25. Air Commando Association Award (Medal/Ribbon)
26. Distinguished Unit Award with Merit (Ribbon)
27. Distinguished Unit Award (Ribbon)
28. Outstanding Organization Award (Ribbon)
29. Outstanding Flight Ribbon
30. Top Performer Ribbon
31. Outstanding Cadet Ribbon
32. Leadership Ribbon
33. Superior Performance Ribbon
34. Achievement Ribbon
35. Academic Ribbon
36. Cadet Leadership Course Ribbon
37. Special Teams Placement Ribbon
38. All Services National Competition (Medal/Ribbon)
39. Air Force Nationals Competition (Medal/Ribbon)
40. Orienteering Ribbon
41. Leadership Development Requirement (LDR) Leadership Ribbon
42. Drill Team Ribbon
43. Color Guard Ribbon
44. Saber Team Ribbon
45. Marksmanship Ribbon
46. Good Conduct Ribbon
47. Service Ribbon
48. Health and Wellness
49. Recruiting Ribbon
50. Activities Ribbon
51. Attendance Ribbon
52. Dress and Appearance Ribbon
53. Longevity Ribbon
54. Bataan Death March Memorial Hike Ribbon
55. Patriotic Flag Ribbon

7.6.3.3. Authorized Civil Air Patrol (CAP) awards. Cadets who earn CAP awards may wear those ribbons during regular uniform days and will be worn in the precedence listed below following the Patriotic Flag Ribbon.

56. General Carl Spaatz Award
57. General Ira C. Eaker Award
58. Amelia Earhart Award
59. General Billy Mitchell Award
60. General J.F. Curry Achievement Award

7.6.3.4. AFJROTC and CAP Medals may be worn on the semi-formal uniform only for formal and semi-formal occasions of a limited nature (such as dining ins/outs, military ball, change of command ceremonies, awards ceremonies, picture days, or other formal events as specified by the SASI.) Medals will not be worn on regular uniform days.

7.6.3.5. The following National-level organizations may present awards to AFJROTC cadets, but ribbons are not authorized for wear on the cadet uniform. Only the awards listed on the AFJROTC ribbon chart may be worn on the cadet uniform. (See Para 7.6.2.2.2)

1. National Society Daughters of the American Colonists (NSDAC)
2. National Society, Daughters of Founders and Patriots of America (NSDFPA)

7.6.3.6. Congressionally chartered Veterans Service Organization (VSO), recognized by the Department of Veteran Affairs; may present awards to cadets. However, unless authorized on the AFJROTC ribbon chart these awards may not be worn on the cadet uniform. (See Para 7.6.2.2.2)

Listing of Congressionally chartered Veterans Service Organizations (VSO) who may present awards to AFJROTC cadets – Only ribbons/medals authorized on the AFJROTC Ribbon Chart may be worn on the cadet uniform.

1. African American Post Traumatic Stress Disorder Association
2. American Ex-Prisoners of War
3. American GI Forum of The United States
4. The American Legion (approved on AFJROTC Ribbon Chart)
5. American Red Cross
6. American Veterans Association (AMVETS) (approved on AFJROTC Ribbon Chart)
7. Army and Navy Union, USA, Inc.
8. Blinded Veterans Association
9. Catholic War Veterans, USA, Inc.
10. Disabled American Veterans
11. Fleet Reserve Association
13. Italian American War Veterans of The United States
14. Jewish War Veterans of the USA (sent in a package this year to be included)
15. Legion of Valor of the USA, Inc.
16. Marine Corps League
17. Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) (approved on AFJROTC Ribbon Chart)
18. Military Order of The Purple Heart of the USA, Inc. (approved on AFJROTC Ribbon Chart)
19. National Association for Black Veterans, Inc.
20. National Association of County Veterans Service Officers, Inc.
21. National Veterans Legal Services Program
22. National Veterans Organization of America (NVOA)
23. Paralyzed Veterans of America
24. Polish Legion of American Veterans, USA
25. Swords to Plowshares: Veterans Rights Organization
26. The Retired Enlisted Association (TREA) (approved on AFJROTC Ribbon Chart)
27. Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States (approved on AFJROTC Ribbon Chart)
28. Veterans of the Vietnam War, Inc. and The Veterans Coalition
29. Vietnam Veterans of America (sent in a package this year to be included)
30. Wounded Warrior Project
31. Air Force Sergeants Association (AFSA) (approved on AFJROTC Ribbon Chart)
32. American Gold Star Mothers, Inc.
33. American War Mothers
34. Blue Star Mothers of America, Inc.
35. Congressional Medal of Honor Society of The United States of America
36. Korean War Veterans Association, Inc.
37. Military Chaplains Association of The United States of America
38. Military Order of the World Wars (MOWW) (approved on AFJROTC Ribbon Chart)
39. Navy Club of The United States of America
40. United States Submarine Veterans, Inc.
41. Women’s Army Corps Veterans Association-Army Women United
42. Armed Forces Service Corporation
43. Navy Mutual Aid Association
44. Vietnam Era Veterans Association
45. African American Veterans Families
46. Air Force Association (AFA) (approved on AFJROTC Ribbon Chart)
47. Americal Division Veterans Association
48. All Faith Consortium
49. American Logistics Association
50. American Merchant Marine Veterans
51. American Military Retirees Association
52. American Veterans for Equal Rights, Inc.
53. Army Aviation Association of America
54. American Retiree Association
55. Association of Military Surgeons (AMSUS)
56. Blinded American Veterans Foundation
57. Bowlers to Veterans Link
58. Cold War Veterans Association
59. Commissioned Officers Association of the US Health Service, Inc.
60. Congressional Black Caucus Veterans Braintrust
61. Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War
62. Destroyer-Escort Sailors Association
63. Eighth Air Force Historical Society
64. Enlisted Association of the National Guard of the US
65. Help Heal Veterans
66. Homeless and Disabled Veterans
67. Iraq/Afghanistan Veterans of America
68. Japanese American Veterans Assoc.
69. Korea Veterans of America
70. Marine Corps Reserve Association
71. The Mission Continues
72. NAM-POWS Corporation
73. National American Indian Veterans
74. National Alliance on Mentally Illness
75. National Association of Atomic Veterans
76. National Association of American Veterans
77. National Association of Black Military Women (NABMW)
78. National Association of Fleet Tug Sailors, Inc.
79. National Association of State Veterans Homes New Mexico Veterans Center
80. National Coalition for Homeless Veterans
81. National Disabled Veteran Business Council
82. National 4th Infantry (IVY) Division Association
83. National Guard Association of the US
84. National Gulf War Resource Center, Inc.
85. National League of Families
86. National Military Family Association
87. National Veterans Foundation
88. National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (approved on AFJROTC Ribbon Chart)
89. Naval Enlisted Reserve Association
90. Navy League of the United States
91. Navy Nurse Corp. Association
92. Navy Seabee Veterans of America
93. Reserve Officers Association of the United States (approved on AFJROTC Ribbon Chart)
94. Society of Military Widows
95. Society of Medical Consultants to the Armed Forces (SMCAF)
96. Student Veterans of America
97. Team Rubicon
98. Team RWB
99. The Forty & Eight
100. The Red River Valley Fighter Pilot Association
101. TLC Brotherhood, Inc., Veterans of Thailand, Laos, Cambodia in Vietnam War
102. Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors, Inc.
103. Travis Manion Foundation
104. United States Army Warrant Officers Association
105. United States Merchant Marine Veterans of World War II
106. United States Navy Cruiser Sailors Association
107. USCG Chief Petty Officers Association
108. Veterans and Military Families for Progress
109. Veterans for Common Sense
110. Veterans of Modern Warfare, Inc.
111. Veterans of the Battle of the Bulge
7.6.4. AFJROTC cadets will be given equivalent AFJROTC ribbons to wear in lieu of Army, Navy, Marine Corps, or Coast Guard Junior ROTC ribbons/medals the cadet earned while serving in sister-service JROTC program. **Sister-service JROTC ribbons/medals may not be worn by AFJROTC cadets.** It is up to the SASI to make the best determination as to what equivalent AFJROTC ribbon to issue.

7.6.5. Badges or insignia from Active Duty, Guard, Reserve, or any other non-AFJROTC group are not authorized on the AFJROTC uniform. Badges, ribbons or insignia from middle school programs such as Youth Leadership Corps are not authorized on the AFJROTC uniform.

7.6.6. External organizations wishing to be recognized by HQ AFJROTC see the HQ AFJROTC Process for External Cadet Award Request worksheet to request recognition. Annually (month of May), a board will convene, comprised of the Deputy Director, Division Chiefs and all Regional Directors to review and/or recommend approval/disapproval to the Director on new external awards. The Director has sole approval authority of any new external award worn by AFJROTC cadets. If the new award is approved it will be added to this publication and the AFJROTC ribbon/awards chart. (See Para 7.6.2.2.3)

**HQ AFJROTC Process for External Cadet Award Requests**

1. HQ AFJROTC/JRS will be the POC for all requests:
   - Receiving address:
     - Headquarters Air Force JROTC
     - Attention: HQ AFJROTC/JRS Division
     - 60 West Maxwell Boulevard
     - Maxwell AFB, AL  36112

2. HQ AFJROTC/JRS completes internal research to confirm package contents (Ribbon/Medal pictures, Award Criteria, Award Certificate, etc.) and add any attachments as required.

3. HQ AFJROTC/JRO convenes a "Board" to review the request considering all information available. Recommendation will be forwarded to Director. Board will include: Deputy Director, Division Chiefs and all Regional Directors.

4. HQ AFJROTC Director makes a decision on package request:
   - a. Approved
   - b. Disapproved
   - c. If required, Director will make a recommendation to Holm Center/CC and HQ AFJROTC/JRS will develop an E-SSS with standard routing
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1. Air Force JROTC Gold Valor Award
2. Air Force JROTC Silver Valor Award
3. Cadet Humanitarian Award
4. Silver Star Community Service w/Excellence Award
5. Community Service with Excellence Award
6. Air Force Association Award
7. Daedalian Award
8. Daughters of the American Revolution Award
9. American Legion Scholastic Award
10. American Legion General Military Excellence Award
11. Reserve Officers Association Award
12. Military Officers Association Award
13. Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Award
15. National Sojourners Award
16. Scottish Rite, Southern Jurisdiction Award
17. Military Order of the Purple Heart
18. Sons of the American Revolution Award
19. Military Order of World Wars Medal
20. American Veterans Award
21. Air Force Sergeants Association
22. Tuskegee Airman Inc. AFJROTC Cadet Award
23. The Retired Enlisted Association Award
24. Celebrate Freedom Foundation Award
25. Air Commando Association Award
26. Distinguished Unit Award w/Merit
27. Distinguished Unit Award
28. Outstanding Organization Award
29. Outstanding Flight Ribbon
30. Top Performer Award
31. Outstanding Cadet Ribbon
32. Leadership Ribbon
33. Superior Performance Ribbon
34. Achievement Ribbon
35. Academic Ribbon
36. Cadet Leadership Course Ribbon
37. Special Teams Placement Ribbon
38. All-Service National Competition Ribbon
39. Air Force Nationals Competition Ribbon
40. Orienteering Ribbon
41. Leadership Development Requirement (LDR) Leadership Ribbon
42. Drill Team Ribbon
43. Color Guard Ribbon
44. Sabre Team Ribbon
45. Marksmanship Ribbon
46. Good Conduct Ribbon
47. Service Ribbon
48. Health and Wellness Ribbon
49. Recruiting Ribbon
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54. Bataan Death March Memorial Hike Ribbon
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56. Gen Carl A. Spaatz Award (CAP)
57. Gen Ira C. Eaker Award (CAP)
58. Amelia Earhart Award (CAP)
59. Gen Billy Mitchell Award (CAP)
60. Gen J. F. Curry Award (CAP)

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7.7. Descriptions and Criteria of AFJROTC Medals and Ribbons. **Ribbons will not be worn with Medals (only the medals will be worn).** NOTE: Medals will not be worn on regular uniform days or during any type of competition, i.e., drill, Cyber-Patriot, Academic Bowl, etc.

Units are authorized to impose additional criteria (more stringent) to meet local standards and needs without diminishing minimum standards (example: limiting the number of cadets who may earn the award where no guidance is stated, or below stated limits). If such additional criteria are imposed, they must be specifically stated in the Cadet Guide or Unit Operating Instruction.

7.7.1. **Gold Valor Award.** Awards consist of a medal, ribbon, and certificate. The Gold Valor Award recognizes the most outstanding voluntary acts of self-sacrifice and personal bravery by a cadet involving conspicuous risk of life above and beyond the call of duty. Forward recommendations for valor awards through the HQ-Assessments@AFJROTC.com mailbox or douglas.davenport@us.af.mil (HQ-Ops Support) for review and processing within 6 months of the incident. Include a detailed description of the situation, newspaper clippings (if available), statements by victims and observers, and any other information deemed appropriate to validate eligibility. In addition, submit a proposed citation to accompany the award. HQ-Ops Support will forward the valor award to the Director, HQ AFJROTC for final approval. Upon approval, HQ-Ops Support will distribute the citation, medal, and ribbon for presentation. Ribbon for this award may be worn on the cadet’s ribbon rack and worn on regular uniform days. For each additional award earned an additional small silver star will be awarded. **Medals will not be worn on regular uniform days or during any type of competition.**

7.7.2. **Silver Valor Award.** Awards consist of a medal, ribbon, and certificate. The Silver Valor Award is awarded to a cadet for a voluntary act of heroism which does not meet the risk-of-life requirements of the Gold Valor Award. Forward recommendations for valor awards through the HQ-Assessments@AFJROTC.com mailbox or douglas.davenport@us.af.mil (HQ-Ops Support) for review and processing within 6 months of the incident. Include a detailed description of the situation, newspaper clippings (if available), statements by victims and observers, and any other information deemed appropriate to validate eligibility. In addition, submit a proposed citation to accompany the award. HQ-Ops Support will forward the valor award to the Director, HQ AFJROTC for final approval. Upon approval, HQ-Ops Support will distribute the citation, medal, and ribbon for presentation. Ribbon for this award may be worn on the cadet’s ribbon rack and worn on regular uniform days. For each additional award earned an additional small silver star will be awarded. **Medals will not be worn on regular uniform days or during any type of competition.**

7.7.3. **Cadet Humanitarian Award.** Award consists of a ribbon and certificate. It is intended to recognize cadets who provide aid in response to a singular extraordinary event such as a natural disaster or other catastrophe that has placed or has the potential to place a hardship on their fellow citizens. This award is not to be used to recognize day-to-day service in the community. Forward recommendations for this award through the HQ-Assessments@AFJROTC.com mailbox or douglas.davenport@us.af.mil (HQ-Ops Support) for review and processing within 6 months of the incident. Include a detailed description of the situation, newspaper clippings (if available), statements by victims and observers, and any other information deemed appropriate to validate eligibility. In addition, submit a proposed citation to accompany the award. HQ-Ops Support will forward the award to the Director, HQ
AFJROTC for final approval. Upon approval, HQ-Ops Support will distribute the citation, medal, and ribbon for presentation. Ribbon for this award may be worn on the cadet’s ribbon rack and worn on regular uniform days. For each additional award earned an additional small silver star will be awarded. **Medals will not be worn on regular uniform days or during any type of competition.**

7.7.4. **Silver Star Community Service with Excellence Award.** Award consists of a ribbon with a Silver Star device and certificate. The Silver Star Community Service with Excellence Award will be an honor that emphasizes the value of community service, and establishes a greater sense of pride within the corps. The award will be given to cadets in the Top 5% of units (approximately 45 units) who have the highest "per cadet average" community service hours. "Countable" hours must be logged into WINGS and be accomplished IAW published guidance in AFJROTCI 36-2010. Countable hours will be the period from 11 April (previous year) to 10 Apr (current year). HQ will use the last PSR cadet enrollment and the hours submitted in WINGS for that period to calculate the Top 5% units and notify the units earning the Award. Instructors at the Top 5% units will determine which of their cadets have contributed to the unit earning the new award. Ribbon must be purchased from a vendor using MILPER funds. For each additional award earned an additional large silver star will be awarded.

7.7.5. **Community Service with Excellence Award.** Award consists of a ribbon and certificate. It is intended to recognize those individual cadets who provide significant leadership in the planning, organizing, directing, and executing of a major unit community service project that greatly benefit the local community. This is not an award given to participants but to the key leader(s) of the project. Forward recommendations for Community Service with Excellence Award to HQ-OpsSupport@afjrotc.com for review and approval within 6 months of completion of the project. Include a detailed description of the contributions of the individual(s) along with newspaper clippings (if available) describing the outcome of the project, letters of appreciation from civic leaders, or other information deemed appropriate to validate eligibility. Ribbon must be purchased from a vendor using MILPER funds. For each additional ribbon earned an additional bronze oak leaf cluster will be awarded. A single silver oak leaf cluster will be used for the award of the fifth bronze oak leaf cluster. **National-level Awards**

These Items may be issued to cadets, but medals from these organizations WILL ONLY be worn during events such as dining ins/outs, military ball, change of command ceremonies, awards ceremonies, picture days, or other formal events as specified by the SASI. Ribbon for this award may be worn on the cadet’s ribbon rack and worn on regular uniform days. **Medals will not be worn on regular uniform days or during any type of competition, i.e., drill, Cyber-Patriot, Academic Bowl, etc.**

7.7.6. **Air Force Association (AFA) Award.** Cadets may only receive this award once. This AFA-sponsored award and is presented annually at each unit to the outstanding second-year (in a 3-year program) or third-year cadet (in a 4-year program). Ribbon for this award may be worn on the cadet’s ribbon rack and worn on regular uniform days. **Medals will not be worn on regular uniform days or during any type of competition.**

7.7.6.1. The award recipient must possess/meet the following personal characteristics and eligibility criteria:

- Top 1% of the cadets in a unit in the following areas, academics, leadership, and professionalism.
• Positive attitude (toward AFJROTC and school).
• Outstanding personal appearance (uniform and grooming).
• Display personal attributes such as initiative, judgment, and self-confidence. Courteous demeanor (promptness, obedience, and respect for customs).

7.7.7. **Daedalian Award.** Cadets may only receive this award once. The Order of Daedalan’s is a fraternity of commissioned pilots from all military services. It is named after the legendary figure, Daedalus, and was organized by WWI military pilots who sought to perpetuate the spirit of patriotism, love of country, and the high ideals of self-sacrifice which place service to the nation above personal safety and position. This award is offered to encourage the development of these traits in cadets and to interest them in a military career. The medal is fashioned after an ancient Grecian plaque discovered by a Daedalian in the village of Lavadia, Greece and depicts Daedalus and his son Icarus fabricating their legendary wings of wax and feathers. Ribbon for this award may be worn on the cadet’s ribbon rack and worn on regular uniform days. **Medals will not be worn on regular uniform days or during any type of competition.**

7.7.7.1. This annual award recognizes one outstanding third-year cadet at each unit that meets the following criteria:
• Demonstrate an understanding and appreciation of patriotism, love of country, and service to the nation.
• Indicate the potential and desire to pursue a military career.
• Rank in the top 10% of their AFJROTC class.
• Rank in the top 20% of their school class.

7.7.7.2. The SASI selects the recipient and requests the award from the nearest Daedalian Flight. A minimum of 90 days’ notice is required to allow the local chapter to obtain the award from their national headquarters and to schedule a Daedalian Flight presenter for the award. See Attachment 7-17 for list of award points of contact.

7.7.8. **Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) Award.** Cadets may only receive this award once. Ribbon for this award may be worn on the cadet’s ribbon rack and worn on regular uniform days. **Medals will not be worn on regular uniform days or during any type of competition.**

7.7.8.1. This award is presented annually to one third-year (in a 3-year program) or fourth-year cadet (in a 4-year program) that meets the following criteria:
• Rank in the top 25% of their AFJROTC class.
• Rank in the top 25% of their high school class.
• Demonstrate qualities of dependability and good character.
• Demonstrate adherence to military discipline.
• Possess leadership ability and a fundamental and patriotic understanding of the importance of JROTC training.

7.7.8.2. The SASI and principal select the recipient and must request the award and a presenter not later than 1 March. The award devices and presenter can be requested from the nearest DAR chapter. See Attachment 7-17 for list of award points of contact.
7.7.9. **American Legion Scholastic Award.** Cadets may only receive this award once. Ribbon for this award may be worn on the cadet’s ribbon rack and worn on regular uniform days. **Medals will not be worn on regular uniform days or during any type of competition.**

7.7.9.1. This award is presented annually to one second- or third-year cadet (in a 3-year program) or a third- or fourth-year cadet (in a 4-year program) based on the cadet’s overall scholastic achievements. Each cadet must:

- Rank in the top 10% of the high school class.
- Rank in the top 25% of their AFJROTC class.
- Demonstrate leadership qualities.
- Actively participate in student activities.

7.7.9.2. The SASI, as chairman, with the ASI and at least one faculty member, selects the recipient and must request the award not later than 15 April. The award devices and presenter can be requested from the nearest American Legion Post. If there is no local post, contact the American Legion Headquarters. See Attachment 7-17 for list of award points of contact.

7.7.10. **American Legion General Military Excellence Award.** Cadets may only receive this award once. Ribbon for this award may be worn on the cadet’s ribbon rack and worn on regular uniform days. **Medals will not be worn on regular uniform days or during any type of competition.**

7.7.10.1. This award is presented annually to one second- or third-year cadet (in a 3-year program) or a third- or fourth-year cadet (in a 4-year program) based on the cadet’s general military excellence. Each cadet must:

- Rank in the top 25% of their AFJROTC class.
- Demonstrate outstanding qualities in military leadership, discipline, character, and citizenship.

7.7.10.2. The SASI, as chairman, with the ASI and at least one faculty member, selects the recipient and must request the award not later than 15 April. The award devices and presenter can be requested from the nearest American Legion Post. If there is no local post, contact the American Legion Headquarters. See Attachment 7-17 for list of award points of contact.

7.7.11. **Reserve Officers Association (ROA) Award.** Cadets may only receive this award once. Ribbon for this award may be worn on the cadet’s ribbon rack and worn on regular uniform days. **Medals will not be worn on regular uniform days or during any type of competition.**

7.7.11.1. This award is presented annually for military and academic achievement to an outstanding third-year cadet (fourth-year cadet in a 4-year program). The recipient must possess individual characteristics contributing to leadership such as:

- Be in the top 10% in the AFJROTC program.
- Be in the top 25% in academic grades.
- Be recognized for having contributed the most to advancing the objectives of the AFJROTC program, which include outstanding dedication to citizenship, knowledge of civic responsibility, military orientation, self-discipline and a sound work ethic.
7.7.11.2. The SASI with the ASI, selects the recipient of the award. The local ROA chapter contacts each SASI before 15 January and furnishes the name of the ROA representative for presentation purposes. If no contact is made by 15 January, the SASI must communicate directly with the National Headquarters of the Reserve Officers Association. See Attachment 7-17 for list of award points of contact.

7.7.12. **Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) Award.** Cadets may only receive this award once. This award, formerly known as The Retired Officers Association Award. Ribbon for this award may be worn on the cadet’s ribbon rack and worn on regular uniform days. **Medals will not be worn on regular uniform days or during any type of competition.**

7.7.12.1. This award is presented annually to an outstanding second-year cadet (third-year cadet in a 4-year program) who shows exceptional potential for military leadership. Each cadet must:

- Be a member of the junior class.
- Be in good academic standing.
- Be of high moral character.
- Show a high order of loyalty to the unit, school, and country.
- Show exceptional potential for military leadership.

7.7.12.2. The SASI selects the recipient subject to the final approval of the sponsoring MOAA chapter. The SASI requests the award devices from the nearest MOAA chapter. A MOAA representative will make the award presentation. If a MOAA chapter is not available in the area, the SASI sends the request to the MOAA headquarters.

7.7.13. **Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Award.** Cadets may only receive this award once. Ribbon for this award may be worn on the cadet’s ribbon rack and worn on regular uniform days. **Medals will not be worn on regular uniform days or during any type of competition.**

7.7.13.1. This award presented annually to an outstanding second or third-year cadet in a 3-year program (third or fourth-year cadet in a 4-year program) who is actively engaged in the AFJROTC program and who possesses individual characteristics contributing to leadership. Each cadet must:

- Positive attitude toward the AFJROTC program
- Must be enrolled as a 10th-12th grade AFJROTC student
- Must maintain a “B” average in AFJROTC curriculum and a “C” average in all remaining subjects with no failing grades in the previous semester
- Active in at least one other student extracurricular activity (music, athletics, government, etc.)
- Not a previous recipient of this award.

7.7.13.2. The SASI selects the recipient subject to the final approval of the sponsoring VFW chapter. The SASI requests the award from the nearest local post in February for presentation in April or May. A VFW representative will present the award at an appropriate ceremony. If no local post is available, or if the local post does not offer the award, obtain information by contacting the headquarters of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States.

7.7.14. **National Society United States Daughters 1812 Award.** Cadets may only receive this award once. Ribbon for this award may be worn on the cadet’s ribbon rack
and worn on regular uniform days. **Medals will not be worn on regular uniform days or during any type of competition.**

7.7.14.1. Awarded annually, at the SASI’s discretion, for academic excellence, leadership, military discipline, dependability, patriotism and upright character in speech and habits.

7.7.15. **National Sojourners Award.** Cadets may only receive this award once. Ribbon for this award may be worn on the cadet’s ribbon rack and worn on regular uniform days. **Medals will not be worn on regular uniform days or during any type of competition.**

7.7.15.1. This award is presented annually recognizing an outstanding first- or second-year cadet (second or third-year cadet in a 4-year program) who contributed the most to encourage and demonstrate Americanism within the corps of cadets and on campus. Each cadet must:

- Be in the top 25% of their academic class.
- Encourage and demonstrate ideals of Americanism.
- Demonstrate potential for outstanding leadership.
- Not have previously received the award.

7.7.15.2. The SASI selects the recipient subject to the final approval of the sponsoring National Sojourners chapter. The SASI requests the award from the nearest local chapter in February for presentation in April or May. A representative from the National Sojourners will make the award presentation at an appropriate ceremony. If no local chapter is available or if the local chapter does not offer the award, contact the headquarters of the National Sojourners.

7.7.16. **Scottish Rite, Southern Jurisdiction Award.** Cadets may only receive this award once. Ribbon for this award may be worn on the cadet’s ribbon rack and worn on regular uniform days. **Medals will not be worn on regular uniform days or during any type of competition.**

7.7.16.1. This award annually recognizes an outstanding second-year cadet in a 3-year program or third-year cadet in a 4-year program. Each cadet must:

- Contribute the most to encourage Americanism by participation in LDR activities or community projects.
- Demonstrate academic excellence by being in the top 25% of class.
- Demonstrate the qualities of dependability, good character, self-discipline, good citizenship and patriotism.
- Not have been previous recipients of this award.

7.7.16.2. The SASI selects the recipient and requests the award from the nearest Scottish Rite Valley of the Southern Jurisdiction at any time during the calendar year. With a 30-day notice, a representative of the Scottish Rite Valley of the Southern Jurisdiction will make the presentation at an appropriate ceremony. If no local unit is available, or if the local unit does not offer the award, obtain information by contacting the national headquarters of the Scottish Rite Valley of the Southern Jurisdiction. The star worn on the ribbon must be procured with private or unit funds and will not be furnished by the sponsoring organization.

7.7.17. **Military Order of the Purple Heart Award.** Cadets may only receive this award once. Ribbon for this award may be worn on the cadet’s ribbon rack and worn on
regular uniform days. **Medals will not be worn on regular uniform days or during any type of competition.**

7.7.17.1. **This award annually recognizes an outstanding underclassman (first, second, or third-year cadet), who is enrolled in the AFJROTC program and demonstrates leadership ability. (Seniors are not eligible) Each cadet must:**
- Have a positive attitude toward AFJROTC and country.
- Hold a leadership position in the cadet corps.
- Be active in school and community affairs.
- Attain a grade of “B” or better in all subjects for the previous semester.
- Not a previous recipient of this award.

7.7.17.2. **The SASI selects the recipient and requests the award from the nearest Military Order of the Purple Heart unit in February for presentation in April or May. A representative of the Military Order of the Purple Heart will make the presentation at an appropriate ceremony. If no local unit is available, or if the local unit does not offer the award, obtain information by contacting the national headquarters of the Military Order of the Purple Heart.**

7.7.18. **Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) Award.** Cadets may only receive this award once. Ribbon for this award may be worn on the cadet’s ribbon rack and worn on regular uniform days. **Medals will not be worn on regular uniform days or during any type of competition.**

7.7.18.1. **This award recognizes an outstanding second-year cadet in a 3-year program or third year cadet in a 4-year program who is enrolled in the AFJROTC program. The recipient must exhibit a high degree of leadership, military bearing, and all-around excellence in AS studies and not have previously received the award. Each cadet must:**
- Be currently enrolled in the AFJROTC program.
- Be in the top 10% of their AFJROTC class.
- Be in the top 25% of their overall class.

7.7.18.2. **The SASI and the Principal select the recipient of the award not later than 1 March. The SAR national headquarters furnishes the secretary of each applicable SAR state organization a list of the AFJROTC units in their state. A representative of SAR will present the award and correspond directly with each unit within their area. The SASI makes arrangements for presentation with the applicable state society or local chapter.**

7.7.19. **Military Order of World Wars Award.** Cadets may only receive this award once. Ribbon for this award may be worn on the cadet’s ribbon rack and worn on regular uniform days. **Medals will not be worn on regular uniform days or during any type of competition.**

7.7.19.1. **This award is presented annually to an outstanding cadet who has committed to continue the aerospace science program the following school year. Selection is based on outstanding accomplishments or service to the AFJROTC unit.**

7.7.19.2. **The SASI, with the concurrence of the principal, selects the recipient and completes the Military Order of the World Wars (MOWW) citation by summarizing the cadet’s outstanding accomplishments or service to the unit. The citation and request for the medal, certificate, and ribbon are sent to the nearest local chapter of the MOWW. The SASI will make arrangements for a**
MOWW representative to make the presentation at an appropriate ceremony. If a local chapter is unavailable, contact the MOWW National Headquarters. If a member is not available, any active, reserve, or retired commissioned officer may present the award.

7.7.20. **American Veterans (AMVETS) Award.** Cadets may only receive this award once. Ribbon for this award may be worn on the cadet’s ribbon rack and worn on regular uniform days. **Medals will not be worn on regular uniform days or during any type of competition.**

7.7.20.1. This award is presented annually to one qualified cadet that possesses individual characteristics contributing to leadership such as:
- A positive attitude toward AFJROTC programs and service in the Air Force.
- Personal appearance (wearing of the uniform, posture, and grooming, but not physical characteristics per se).
- Personal attributes (initiative, dependability, judgment, and self-confidence).
- Officer potential (capacity for responsibility, adaptability, and maintenance of high personal standards).
- Obtained a grade of “A” (or the numerical equivalent) in their AS class.
- Be in good scholastic standing in all classes at the time of selection and at the time of presentation.

7.7.20.2. The SASI selects the recipient of the award and submits a brief nomination letter and biographical sketch of the cadet to the state AMVETS department where the school is located. An AMVETS representative will make the presentation if a participating local post or department representative is available. See Attachment 7-17 for list of award points of contact.

7.7.21. **Air Force Sergeants Association (AFSA) Award.** Cadets may only receive this award once. Ribbon for this award may be worn on the cadet’s ribbon rack and worn on regular uniform days. **Medals will not be worn on regular uniform days or during any type of competition.**

7.7.21.1. This award recognizes an outstanding second- or third-year cadet in a three-year program (third- or fourth-year cadet in a 4-year program). The recipient must demonstrate outstanding qualities in military leadership, discipline, character, and citizenship. Each cadet must:
- Be in the top 10% of the AFJROTC class.
- Demonstrate outstanding qualities in military leadership, discipline, character, and citizenship.
- Not a previous recipient of this award.

7.7.21.2. The SASI, as chairperson, with the ASI, recommends the recipient of the award at least 60 days prior to the desired presentation date, but not later than 15 April. The SASI requests the award and an AFSA presenter from the nearest AFSA chapter. If information on the nearest chapter is not available, or if there is no active AFSA chapter in the area, the SASI will contact the AFSA international headquarters; (please send an email to AFSA HQ at bhill@hqafsaa.org) to obtain the name and address of the division president whose area of responsibility is nearest the requesting school.
7.7.22. **Tuskegee Airmen Incorporated (TAI) AFJROTC Cadet Award.** Ribbon for this award may be worn on the cadet’s ribbon rack and worn on regular uniform days.

7.7.22.1. This award is presented annually to two cadets. Cadets may be first-year, second year, or third-year cadets (in a 3- or 4-year program) and must meet the following criteria:

- Attain a grade of “B” or better in their AS class.
- Be in good academic standing.
- Actively participate in cadet corps activities.
- Participate in at least 50% of all unit service programs.

7.7.22.2. The SASI and ASI select the recipients. The Tuskegee Airmen (TAI), Inc. AFJROTC Cadet Award ribbon is mailed to every AFJROTC unit from AFJROTC NC-20022, Vance High School. AFJROTC units do not need to contact this unit to receive their allotted two ribbons per year. AFJROTC units requesting replacement ribbons must send a check for $2.00 to cover the cost of mailing up to two ribbons. The Tuskegee Airmen, Inc. AFJROTC Cadet Award certificate is posted in WINGS at WINGS - Published Files - Directory - JROTC - Certificates. The TAI AFJROTC Cadet Award certificate, as well as other important certificates, are posted in the folder.

7.7.23. **The Retired Enlisted Association (TREA) Award.** Cadets may only receive this award once. Awarded annually, at the SASI’s discretion, for exceptional leadership to the most outstanding AFJROTC cadet while serving in an Enlisted Rank. The selected enlisted cadet must have shown outstanding leadership throughout the course of the school year. Ribbon for this award may be worn on the cadet’s ribbon rack and worn on regular uniform days. **Medals will not be worn on regular uniform days or during any type of competition.**

7.7.24. **The Celebrate Freedom Foundation (CFF) Award for Excellence in Academic Programs.** Cadets may only receive this award once. The award program recognizes 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th grade students (including home-schooled students) enrolled in AFJROTC programs. Ribbon for this award may be worn on the cadet’s ribbon rack and worn on regular uniform days. **Medals will not be worn on regular uniform days or during any type of competition.**

7.7.24.1. SASI may go on line at [www.gocff.org/jrotc](http://www.gocff.org/jrotc) to nominate cadets for this award. Cadets must demonstrate the following personal characteristics to be eligible for nomination:

- Outstanding personal appearance (uniform and grooming)
- Display personal attributes such as initiative, judgment and self-confidence
- Courteous demeanor (promptness, obedience and respect for customs)
- Growth potential (capacity for responsibility, high productivity and adaptability to change)
- Possess the highest personal and ethical standards and strong positive convictions
- Shows the potential and desire to pursue a military career
- Rank in the top 5% in his/her AS class with a grade average of A or numerical equivalent
- Rank in the top 15% of his/her academic class
- Demonstrates a positive attitude (toward AFJROTC and school)

7.7.25. **Air Commando Association Award.** Cadets may only receive this award once. Awarded annually at the SASI’s discretion for completing a one-page essay based on a historical AF Special Operations Mission possessing the 13 critical
attributes of success: integrity, self-motivation, intelligence, self-discipline, perseverance, adaptability, maturity, judgment, selflessness, leadership, skilled, physical fitness and family strength. Ribbon for this award may be worn on the cadet’s ribbon rack and worn on regular uniform days. **Medals will not be worn on regular uniform days or during any type of competition.**

7.7.26. **Distinguished Unit Award with Merit (DUAM).** Award consists of a ribbon awarded to cadets enrolled during the same academic year in which 1) the unit receives a HQ AFJROTC evaluation with an overall rating of Exceeds Standards and 2) the unit is selected by HQ AFJROTC to receive the DUA. Both criteria must occur during the same academic year. The unit will receive a congratulatory letter and a certificate of recognition which will be posted in WINGS. Medal/Ribbon must be purchased from a vendor using MILPER funds. For each additional ribbon earned an additional small silver star will be awarded.

7.7.27. **Distinguished Unit Award (DUA).** Is a ribbon awarded to cadets enrolled during the academic year when a unit is selected by HQ AFJROTC to receive the DUA. The unit will receive a congratulatory letter and a certificate of recognition which will be posted in WINGS. For each additional ribbon earned an additional small silver star will be awarded.

7.7.28. **Outstanding Organization Award (OOA).** Is a ribbon awarded to cadets enrolled during the academic year when a unit is selected by HQ AFJROTC to receive the OOA. The unit will receive a congratulatory letter and a certificate of recognition which will be posted in WINGS. OOA recipients do not receive a streamer. Ribbon must be purchased from a vendor using MILPER funds. For each additional ribbon earned an additional small silver star will be awarded.

7.7.29. **Outstanding Flight Ribbon.** Is a ribbon awarded each academic term to members of the outstanding flight under criteria determined by the SASI. Criteria for this award will be published in the unit’s Cadet Guide. For each additional ribbon earned an additional bronze oak leaf cluster will be awarded. A single silver oak leaf cluster will be used for the award of the fifth bronze oak leaf cluster.

7.7.30. **Top Performer Award.** The award consists of a ribbon and certificate **presented/awarded only by Headquarters, AFJROTC personnel.** This award is only presented during a visit by HQ AFJROTC personnel. The award is presented to a maximum of 2% of the current unit cadet corps population (unduplicated headcount). Once awarded, the ribbon may be worn for the duration of a cadet’s tenure in AFJROTC.

7.7.30.1. Consideration for the Top Performer Awards. All currently enrolled cadets may be considered, but specific consideration will be given to cadets not previously recognized for superior performance. The Regional Director may select (SASI may nominate) a maximum of 2% of a units cadets based on a cadet’s performance in the following key areas: Leadership and job performance: in primary duty and specifically in preparation for the unit’s assessment. Leadership qualities: involvement and positions held in Leadership Development Requirement activities. Academic performance: nominee must be in good academic standing in all high school course work, significant self-improvement, community involvement and other accomplishments.
7.7.31. **Outstanding Cadet Ribbon.** Is a ribbon awarded annually to the outstanding first-year, second-year, third-year, and fourth-year cadets. The recipient from each class must be of high moral character, demonstrate positive personal attributes, display outstanding military potential, and attain academic and military excellence. Criteria for this award will be published in the unit’s Cadet Guide. For each additional ribbon earned an additional bronze oak leaf cluster will be awarded.

Added: 7.7.31.1. Outstanding Cadet Ribbon with silver star. Cadets chosen as State, Pacific and European "AFJROTC and AFA Cadet Leadership Award“ winners will be awarded the “Outstanding Cadet Ribbon” with silver star. Exception: If a cadet has previously earned the Outstanding Cadet Ribbon or earns it in the future, that cadet will wear only one ribbon; that would be the Outstanding Cadet Ribbon with silver star, since that award is of higher precedence.

7.7.32. **Leadership Ribbon.** Is a ribbon awarded for outstanding performance in a position of leadership as an AFJROTC cadet. Ensure recognition of cadets who have consistently displayed outstanding leadership ability above and beyond expected performance. Criteria for this award will be published in the unit’s Cadet Guide. For each additional ribbon earned an additional bronze oak leaf cluster will be awarded. A single silver oak leaf cluster will be used for the award of the fifth bronze oak leaf cluster.

7.7.33. **Superior Performance Ribbon.** Is a ribbon awarded to no more than the top 10% of the cadet corps annually for outstanding achievement or meritorious service rendered specifically on behalf of AFJROTC. Present the ribbon for a single or sustained performance of a superior nature. Ensure award is presented in recognition of achievements and services which are clearly outstanding and exceptional when compared to achievements and accomplishments of other cadets. Criteria for this award will be published in the unit’s Cadet Guide. For each additional ribbon earned an additional bronze oak leaf cluster will be awarded.

7.7.34. **Achievement Ribbon.** Is a ribbon awarded for a significant achievement in AFJROTC or other school activities/events. Individuals may not receive more than one ribbon during a 1-year period. Criteria for this award will be published in the unit’s Cadet Guide. For each additional ribbon earned an additional bronze oak leaf cluster will be awarded.

7.7.35. **Academic Ribbon.** Is a ribbon awarded for academic excellence as signified by attaining an overall grade point average of at least “B” for one academic term, in addition to an “A” average in AFJROTC. Criteria for this award will be published in the unit’s Cadet Guide. For each additional ribbon earned an additional bronze oak leaf cluster will be awarded. A single silver oak leaf cluster will be used for the award of the fifth bronze oak leaf cluster.

7.7.36. **Cadet Leadership Course (CLC) Ribbon.** Is a ribbon awarded for completion of an approved leadership school program of at least 5 days in duration. For each additional CLC completion an additional bronze star will be awarded. Silver Star will be awarded for outstanding performance or leadership ability at a CLC instead of the Bronze Star. Limit the Silver Star to 10% of the class. Criteria for this award will be published in the unit’s Cadet Guide.
7.7.37. **Special Teams Placement Ribbon**. Is a ribbon awarded to team members for placing 1st, 2nd or 3rd in an Air Force or Joint Service (local, regional, state or national-level) Competition to include Drill Teams, Color Guard Teams, Marksmanship Rifle Teams, Saber Teams, Academic Bowl Teams, CyberPatriot, StellarXplorers etc. For each additional ribbon earned an additional bronze oak leaf cluster will be awarded. A single silver oak leaf cluster will be used for the award of the fifth bronze oak leaf cluster.

7.7.38. **All-Service National Competition Award**. Is a medal/ribbon awarded to team members who competed at a Joint/All Service national-level competition to include Drill Teams, Color Guard Teams, Marksmanship Rifle Teams, Saber Teams, Academic Bowl Teams, CyberPatriot, StellarXplorers etc. For each additional ribbon earned an additional bronze oak leaf cluster will be awarded. A single silver oak leaf cluster will be used for the award of the fifth bronze oak leaf cluster. Medal/Ribbon may be obtained from the host of the competition or purchased from a vendor using MILPER funds. Medal may not (ribbon may) be worn during competitions and regular uniform wear days.

7.7.39. **Air Force Nationals Competition Award**. Is a medal/ribbon awarded to team members who competed at an Air Force only national-level competition to include Drill Teams, Color Guard Teams, Marksmanship Rifle Teams, Saber Teams, Academic Bowl Teams, CyberPatriot, StellarXplorers etc. For each additional ribbon earned an additional bronze oak leaf cluster will be awarded. A single silver oak leaf cluster will be used for the award of the fifth bronze oak leaf cluster. Medal/Ribbon may be obtained from the host of the competition or purchased from a vendor using MILPER funds. Medal may not (ribbon may) be worn during competitions and regular uniform wear days.

7.7.40. **Orienteering Ribbon**. Is a ribbon awarded to team members for completing a unit-specific Orienteering program as part of unit curriculum. Criteria for this award will be published in the unit’s Cadet Guide. For each additional ribbon earned an additional bronze oak leaf cluster will be awarded. A single silver oak leaf cluster will be used for the award of the fifth bronze oak leaf cluster.

7.7.41. **Leadership Development Requirement (LDR) Leadership Ribbon**. Is a ribbon awarded at the SASI’s discretion for leadership in AFJROTC Leadership Development Requirement activities (such as but not limited to PT team commander, orienteering team commander, drill team commander, color guard team commander, dining-in chairperson, military ball chairperson, etc.). Criteria for this award will be published in the unit’s Cadet Guide. For each additional ribbon earned an additional bronze oak leaf cluster will be awarded. A single silver oak leaf cluster will be used for the award of the fifth bronze oak leaf cluster.

7.7.42. **Drill Team Ribbon**. Cadets must be on the drill team for an entire year/drill season to be eligible to qualify and must have competed in at least 3 drill performance events, i.e., competitions, special school events, community demonstrations (cumulative). Criteria for this award will be published in the unit’s Cadet Guide. For each additional ribbon earned an additional bronze oak leaf cluster will be awarded. A single silver oak leaf cluster will be used for the award of the fifth bronze oak leaf cluster.

7.7.43. **Color Guard Ribbon**. Cadets must perform at least 5 color guard performance events to receive this ribbon (cumulative). Criteria for this award will be published in the unit’s Cadet Guide. For each additional ribbon earned an additional
bronze oak leaf cluster will be awarded. A single silver oak leaf cluster will be used for the award of the fifth bronze oak leaf cluster.

7.7.44. **Saber Team Ribbon.** Cadets must perform at least 3 saber team performance events to receive this ribbon (cumulative). Criteria for this award will be published in the unit’s Cadet Guide. For each additional ribbon earned an additional bronze oak leaf cluster will be awarded. A single silver oak leaf cluster will be used for the award of the fifth bronze oak leaf cluster.

7.7.45. **Marksmanship Team Ribbon.** Cadets must be on the marksmanship team for an entire year/season to be eligible to qualify and must have competed in at least 1 marksmanship competition event (cumulative). Criteria for this award will be published in the unit’s Cadet Guide. For each additional ribbon earned an additional bronze oak leaf cluster will be awarded. A single silver oak leaf cluster will be used for the award of the fifth bronze oak leaf cluster.

7.7.46. **Good Conduct Ribbon.** Cadets must not have received a referral (this includes no ISS/OSS) for an academic term to be eligible to qualify for this award. An oak leaf cluster will be added to this ribbon for each year of qualifying membership beginning with the second year. Criteria for this award will be published in the unit’s Cadet Guide.

7.7.47. **Service Ribbon.** Is a ribbon awarded for distinctive performance in school, community, or AFJROTC service projects. Limit to members whose active participation in a service project contributed significantly to the goals of the organization. (NOTE: Participation in Drill Teams, Saber Teams or Color Guard Teams alone does not qualify for the Service Ribbon (see above criteria for these other ribbons) unless community service hours are also awarded. Criteria for this award will be published in the unit’s Cadet Guide. For each additional ribbon earned an additional bronze oak leaf cluster will be awarded. A single silver oak leaf cluster will be used for the award of the fifth bronze oak leaf cluster.

7.7.48. **Health and Wellness Ribbon.** Is a ribbon awarded for participation in the unit health and wellness physical fitness program. All cadets who participate in the unit’s wellness program may receive the Health and Wellness Ribbon. Subsequent yearly award of the Health and Wellness Ribbon will be denoted by the addition of a Bronze Oak Leaf cluster to the ribbon for each additional year of award. Cadets who score in the Physical Fitness Test’s 75-84% will receive a Bronze Star device; 85-95% will receive a Silver Star device; and 96-100% will receive a Gold Star device. These cadets, if already wearing the ribbon with oak leaf cluster(s), will receive and wear an additional Health and Wellness Ribbon with the highest-level Star Device(s) affixed. Duplicate awards of the Bronze, Silver or Gold percentile will be denoted by the addition of another star on this ribbon. Should a cadet subsequently score in a higher percentile, only the star representing the higher percentile will be worn. In no case will a cadet mix different color stars, or star(s) and oak leaf cluster(s) on the same ribbon. (NOTE: The Physical Fitness Test percentiles are computed automatically under the PFT-Mass Assessment in WINGS.) Criteria for this award will be published in the unit’s Cadet Guide.

7.7.49. **Recruiting Ribbon.** Is a ribbon awarded for outstanding effort in support of unit recruiting activities. Cadets must have directly contributed to the recruitment of two new members to AFJROTC. Criteria for this award will be published in the
unit’s Cadet Guide. For each additional ribbon earned an additional bronze oak leaf cluster will be awarded. A single silver oak leaf cluster will be used for the award of the fifth bronze oak leaf cluster.

7.7.50. **Activities Ribbon.** Is a ribbon awarded for participation in Leadership Development Requirement (LDR) activities other than those that qualify for the Color Guard, Drill Team, and Special Teams Competition ribbons. These include, but are not limited to orienteering teams, model rocketry clubs, academic bowl teams, and raider/sports teams. An oak leaf cluster will be added to this ribbon for each year of membership beginning with the second year. Criteria for this award will be published in the unit’s Cadet Guide. For each additional ribbon earned an additional bronze oak leaf cluster will be awarded. A single silver oak leaf cluster will be used for the award of the fifth bronze oak leaf cluster.

7.7.51. **Attendance Ribbon.** Is awarded to cadets who have no more than three school absences during academic term. Criteria for this award will be published in the unit’s Cadet Guide. For each additional ribbon earned an additional bronze oak leaf cluster will be awarded. Cadets may only receive one award annually.

7.7.52. **Dress and Appearance Ribbon.** Is awarded to cadets who maintain a 90% or higher average on weekly uniform grades. Cadets receiving this award will maintain the highest grooming and dress standards possible. Criteria for this award will be published in the unit’s Cadet Guide. For each additional ribbon earned an additional bronze oak leaf cluster will be awarded. A single silver oak leaf cluster will be used for the award of the fifth bronze oak leaf cluster.

7.7.53. **Longevity Ribbon.** Is a ribbon awarded for successful completion of each AFJROTC school year or semester. Cadets may only receive one award annually. Cadets in a 4X4 block schedule taking AFJROTC classes both semesters during a school year may only receive one ribbon and/or cluster for that school year. Criteria for this award will be published in the unit’s Cadet Guide. For each additional ribbon earned an additional bronze oak leaf cluster will be awarded.

7.7.54. **Bataan Death March Memorial Hike Ribbon.** Is a ribbon awarded to honor and remember the sacrifices of the victims and survivors of World War II’s Bataan Death March. AFJROTC units may conduct an optional 14-mile Bataan Death March Memorial Hike. This event must be accomplished on a locally determined 14-mile course (trails, road courses, tracks, etc.). Units may complete the full hike in a span of one to no more than 3 days. Cadet safety must be monitored at all times and advanced planning for any first aid/medical attention is paramount. Cadets who fully complete the 14-mile hike are authorized to wear the ribbon. Additionally, no fees can be charged to participate in the Memorial March. However, units are encouraged to collect donations which will be given to reputable organizations that benefit disabled veterans such as The Air Force Association’s Wounded Airman Program, the Wounded Warrior Project, Special Operations Warrior Foundation, etc. Criteria for this award will be published in the unit’s Cadet Guide. Ribbon may be purchased from a vendor using MILPER funds. For each additional ribbon earned an additional bronze oak leaf cluster will be awarded. A single silver oak leaf cluster will be used for the award of the fifth bronze oak leaf cluster.
7.7.55. **Patriotic Flag Ribbon.** Is a ribbon awarded for participation in non-color guard events specifically designed to honor our nation’s flag. Such events include flag raising ceremonies, flag retirement ceremonies, flag folding ceremonies, and historical flag demonstrations. In order to receive this award, cadets must have participated in a minimum of 5 flag events. Criteria for this award will be published in the unit’s Cadet Guide.

Ribbon may be purchased from a vendor using MILPER funds. For each additional ribbon earned an additional bronze oak leaf cluster will be awarded. A single silver oak leaf cluster will be used for the award of the fifth bronze oak leaf cluster.
SPECIALIZED AFJROTC UNIFORMS
( Drill, Color Guard, Exhibition, Airman Battle Uniform (ABU), Semi-Formal, and Physical Fitness)

7.8. Drill Team, Color Guard, and Exhibition Uniforms - these uniforms WILL NOT be worn on regular uniform days. It is important that AFJROTC cadets properly represent the Air Force during events and competitions. All drill team, color guard and exhibition uniforms must be a distinctive Air Force dress uniform. This means 1) a combination of the normal Air Force blue pants/skirts, light blue shirt, blue service dress coat, or light weight blue jacket or, 2) the Airman Battle Uniform (ABU). Normal blue or ABU uniforms are visually depicted in Chapter 7 of this Operational Supplement.

7.8.1. Units may accessorize their blue drill team, color guard or exhibition uniforms with the following items only. No waiver is needed for any of the items listed below. Additionally, NO WAIVER will be granted for any items not listed below.

7.8.1.1. Headgear for Drill Team, Color Guard, and Exhibition Uniforms.

7.8.1.1.1. Berets may be worn. Solid color white, dark blue or black ONLY, with AFJROTC officer rank insignia or mini-Hap Arnold Insignia pin. The former officer/enlisted flight cap emblems will not be worn on the beret. The wear of a “Beret Flash” or mini unit patch is not authorized. Berets may be worn on regular uniform days. No other color berets may be worn and no waiver will be granted for any other color OR insignias other than listed above. See Chapter 8, Finance Guide, Ops Sup, for purchasing authority.

7.8.1.1.2. Service Caps (wheel and bucket hats, dark Air Force blue color only) may be worn. Females are authorized to wear the male Service Cap. Silver braid headband straps may only be worn on the Service Cap while the cadet is performing in a color guard or drill team competition ONLY. Cadets will wear the black headband strap during regular uniform days. See Chapter 8, Finance Guide, Ops Sup, for purchasing authority.

7.8.1.1.3. Service Caps (wheel and bucket hats) will be a solid color, dark Air Force blue color only and free of any embroidery. No waiver will be granted to change the color or authorize the use of embroidery on the Service Cap.

7.8.1.1.4. Service Cap insignia. Cadet Officers may wear the highly polished/chrome Hap Arnold Wings or the large highly polished/chrome Cadet Officer Insignia on the Service Cap (wheel and bucket hats). Enlisted cadets may only wear the highly polished/chrome Hap Arnold Wings. See Chapter 8, Finance Guide, Ops Sup, for purchasing authority.

7.8.1.1.5. Chrome helmets are no longer authorized for wear and are to be removed from inventory.

7.8.1.2. Solid color ascots may be worn (units may embroider a logo/team name/mascot or place a unit patch on the ascot), colors may be locally-determined, but must be one solid color, conservative, and in good taste, and defined in the Cadet Guide or Unit Operations Instruction. Ascots will not be worn on regular uniform days. See Chapter 8, Finance Guide, Ops Sup, for purchasing authority.
7.8.1.3. Gloves may be worn. Colors may be solid but, no more than two colors. Colors will be locally-determined, but must be conservative and in good taste, and defined in the Cadet Guide or Unit Operations Instruction. Gloves will not be worn on regular uniform days. See Chapter 8, Finance Guide, Ops Sup, for purchasing authority.

7.8.1.4. Shoulder cord. One “infantry” style shoulder cord may be worn. Cords will be worn on the left shoulder, grounded to the shoulder seam, with no metal tips, and no wider than 1-inch. Colors are locally-determined (does not have to be a solid color, may be multi-color), must be conservative, in good taste, and defined in the Cadet Guide or Unit Operations Instruction. Shoulder cord may be worn on regular uniform days. See Chapter 8, Finance Guide, Ops Sup, for purchasing authority.

7.8.1.5. Blue pants may be modified to have a ¾ inch stripe (braid) on the outside length of the pants, silver, blue, or black only. These items will not be worn on regular uniform days. See Chapter 8, Finance Guide, Ops Sup, for purchasing authority.

7.8.1.6. Service Dress Jacket may be modified to have a ½-inch braid, silver, blue, or black only sewn 3 inches from bottom of sleeve. These items will not be worn on regular uniform days. See Chapter 8, Finance Guide, Ops Sup, for purchasing authority.

7.8.1.7. Wear of Color Guard and Saber harnesses, i.e., Sam Brown Belt with shoulder strap is authorized only when performing color guards or commanding during a drill segment. Harness and color guard web/parade belts may be black, dark blue, white and black/white clarino (high gloss). USAF Honor Guard Ceremonial Belt (Hap Arnold insignia may also be worn). Harness and web/parade/ceremonial belts must be removed when not performing a color guard or a segment of drill and cannot be worn during awards ceremonies. See Chapter 8, Finance Guide, Ops Sup, for purchasing authority.

7.8.1.8. Belts for trousers must be blue in color only. No waiver will be granted for wear of any other color.

7.8.1.9. Units may wear the USAF Honor Guard Ceremonial Belt, with the Hap Arnold Wings and heavy/medium weight (pistol, military police) web belts during performances of drill or color guard events only. These items will not be worn on regular uniform days. See Chapter 8, Finance Guide, Ops Sup, for purchasing authority.

7.8.1.10. Wing and Star Buttons on the Service Dress uniform may NOT be highly polished (chrome). Buttons will have the standard satin finish only. No waiver will be granted for wear of any other style or finish on the buttons.

7.8.2. Items NOT to be worn on Drill Team, Color Guard, and Exhibition Uniforms. No waivers will be granted for such items listed below.

7.8.2.1. Embroidery on the Air Force blue drill team uniform is not authorized, i.e., on the back of the blue shirt collar or shoulder yoke. No waiver will be granted for wear of such items.

7.8.2.2. Specialized unit rank, stars or other unit made rank/shoulder boards are not authorized. Example: Team or school name on shoulder boards, or a custom unit rank for drill team members. No waiver will be granted for wear of such items.
7.8.2.3. **Arm wrist/sweat bands are not authorized.** No waiver will be granted for wear of such items.

7.8.2.4. **Spats (shoe covers) will not be worn** with any uniform combination, drill, color guard or any type of ceremonial uniform. No waiver will be granted for wear of such items.

7.8.2.5. **Service Caps (wheel and bucket hats) will be a solid color. No embroidery on the service cap is authorized. Additionally, no “thunder and lightning” on the hat brim is authorized for wear by cadets.** No waiver will be granted for wear of such items.

7.8.2.6. **Military Training Instructor (MTI) style headgear (Aussie Outback/Slouch and Smoky the bear hats) are prohibited for wear by cadets.** No waiver will be granted for wear of such items.

7.8.2.7. **Base Honor Guard (BHG) Breast Badge (BHG cookie) is prohibited for wear by cadets.** No waiver will be granted for wear of such items.

7.8.2.8. **Black Boots/corfams may be issued on an as required basis to the unit Color Guard or Drill Team. This is for restricted use and is not intended for use across unit’s entire cadet corps. Black boots/corfams may be reissued to cadets.** Spray boots/corfams with disinfectant spray before reissuing. This rule does not apply to standard issue of cadet foot ware. **All new cadets enrolling in AFJROTC are to be issued a pair of “NEW” oxford (leather) shoes. Corfams are not to be considered an initial issue of AFJROTC foot ware. See Chapter 8, Finance Guide, Ops Sup, for purchasing authority.**

7.8.3. **Airman Battle Uniform (ABU) and Operational Camouflage Pattern (OCP)**

7.8.3.1. ABUs may be worn as Drill Team, Color Guard, and Exhibition Uniform. **Berets, shoulder cords, ascots and gloves will not be worn with the ABU uniform,** waivers will not be authorized.

7.8.3.2. Cadets may wear a Unit T-Shirt with the ABU uniform. The Unit T-Shirt will be standardized and a solid color. Unit T-Shirt may be worn without ABU Blouse during any Cadet Leadership Course (CLC), Raiders Team or Sports/Fitness Competition.

7.8.3.3. **ABUs will be worn only with the garrison ABU cap and sage green boots.** ABU pants must always be properly bloused over the sage green boots. ABU sage green boots may be reissued to cadets. Spray boots with disinfectant spray before reissuing ABU boots. **NO berets, shoulder cords, ascots and gloves will be worn with the ABU uniform.**

7.8.3.4. **OCP uniforms are not authorized for wear by AFJROTC cadets at any time.**

7.8.4. **Semi-Formal Dress Uniform.** Semi-formal dress uniform is worn for social functions of a semi-formal or official nature as prescribed by the SASI. When in semi-formal dress, saluting is not required. Semi-formal dress uniform is to be worn only during special events as determined by the SASI and not during regular weekly uniform days.

7.8.4.1. The semi-formal dress uniform coat is the service dress uniform coat without a name tag or headgear.
7.8.4.2. Semi-Formal Dress Uniform. Cadets may wear medals with the semi-formal uniform at events such as dining ins/outs, military ball, awards ceremonies, picture day or other formal events as specified by the SASI. Large medals will be worn on the semi-formal uniform coat \( \frac{1}{2} \) inch below the top of the welt of the pocket, centered on the pocket. Additionally, AFJROTC ribbons may be worn on the semi-formal uniform, however, if medals are worn, ribbons will not be worn (no mixing).

7.8.4.2.1. A white V-neck or athletic style tank top, or crew neck style (long sleeve blue shirt only) undershirt will be worn under the shirt.

7.8.4.3. Cadets may wear either the blue or white Long-Sleeve Shirt. The blue or white long-sleeve shirt will be plain, knit or woven, commercial type with a short or medium point collar, with button or French cuffs. Shirts will be tucked into the trousers. Female cadets may wear a white long-sleeved blouse similar in style to the men’s white long-sleeve shirt.

7.8.4.3.1. A white V-neck or athletic style tank top, or crew neck style (long sleeve blue shirt only) undershirt will be worn under the shirt.

7.8.4.4. Tie/Tab. Either a blue polyester or silk, herringbone twill tie/tab or may be worn with either the blue or white long-sleeved shirt. Men may wear a plain black or dark blue bow tie with the long-sleeve white shirt, with the semi-formal dress uniform only.

7.8.4.5. Trousers or skirts. The semi-formal dress uniform trousers or skirt are the same as the service dress uniform trousers or skirt. No stripes (braiding) on the outside length of the trousers is authorized for wear on the semi-formal dress uniform.

7.8.4.6. Belt and Buckle. The semi-formal dress uniform belt and buckle are the same as the service dress belt and buckle.

7.8.4.7. Headgear. Cadets will not wear headgear with the semi-formal dress uniform.

7.8.4.8. Mess Dress Uniforms are not authorized for wear by AFJROTC cadets.

7.8.5. Physical Training Gear (PTG) and Physical Fitness Training (PFT) gear

7.8.5.1. Physical Training Gear (PTG). PTG refers to the Air Force Physical Training Uniform that may be ordered through FEDMALL.

7.8.5.2. Units may locally design and purchase Physical Fitness Training (PFT) gear and sweat pants/shirts that is customized for esprit-de-corps within a unit (usually school colors). Air Force PTG may be mixed with local purchased PFT gear as long as the unit is standardized. During the cadet leadership courses (CLC) cadets may wear PT gear given by the CLC host and may be mix Air Force PTG.
Figure 7.1. Air Force Physical Training Gear (PTG)

Figure 7.1.1. Sample Design, Local Purchased PFT gear. Units may locally design and wear PFT gear that is customized for the unit (see para 7.8.5.2. for additional information.) See Chapter 8, Finance Guide, Ops Sup, for purchasing authority.
Figure 7.1.2. FEDMALL Air Force purchased Sweat Pants and Shirts, (see para 7.8.5.2. for additional information.) See Chapter 8, Finance Guide, Ops Sup, for purchasing authority.

7.8.5.3. Short-sleeved PTG/PFT shirt. The short-sleeve shirt will be tucked into shorts at all times. Do not remove or cut sleeves. PTG undershirts, short and long-sleeved form fitting undershirts, (i.e. Spandex, Lycra™ or elastic material) may be worn and visible under the short-sleeved PTG shirt. Undershirt must be tucked in. There is no color restriction on the form fitting undershirt; undershirt may have visible small trademark logo.

7.8.5.5. Footwear. Cadets must wear appropriate footwear while engaging in physical fitness activities.

7.8.5.6. Headgear.

7.8.5.6.1. The SASI may authorize wear of an optional solid color, that is conservative and in good taste, baseball/sport cap with the PTG/PFT uniform. If authorized, caps are to be worn outdoors only and cadet officer rank will be worn. Enlisted cadets will not have any rank on their headgear.

7.8.5.6.2. Bandanas and other similar head-scarves/headgear are not authorized.
CADET APPEARANCE AND GROOMING GUIDELINES

7.9. Appearance and Grooming. When a cadet wears the uniform, he/she is responsible for presenting a neat, clean, and professional military image. Appearance and grooming standards help cadets present the image of disciplined cadets who can be relied upon to do the job they are called on to do. A professional military image has no room for the extreme, the unusual, or the faddish. The standards for wearing the uniform consist of five elements: neatness, cleanliness, safety, uniformity and military image. The first four are absolute, objective criteria for the efficiency, health, and well-being of the force. The fifth standard, military image is also very important, military appearance is subjective, but necessary. People, both military and civilian, draw conclusions as to the military effectiveness of the Air Force by how they perceive those in uniform.

7.9.1. Jewelry. While in uniform will be plain and conservative (moderate, being within reasonable limits; not excessive or extreme) as determined by the SASI.

7.9.1.1. Rings. Cadets may wear a total of no more than three rings; wedding sets count as one ring when worn as a set. Rings will be worn at the base of the finger, and will not be worn on the thumb.

7.9.1.2. Necklaces. Will not be visible at any time. If worn, will be concealed under a collar or undershirt.

7.9.1.3. Bracelets. Ankle bracelets are not authorized. Cadets may wear one bracelet around their wrist. If worn, the bracelet will be conservative (moderate, being within reasonable limits; not excessive or extreme) (which is defined as plain, not drawing attention or faddish) in design, no wider than ½ inch, gold or silver in color, and will not have any inappropriate pictures or writing. Medical alert/identification bracelets are authorized; however, if worn, they will be conservative (moderate, being within reasonable limits; not excessive or extreme) (which is defined as plain, not drawing inappropriate attention or faddish). Bracelets espousing support for cause, philosophy, individual or group are not authorized (Exception: Traditional metal POW/MIA/KIA bracelets, which come in colors besides silver, bronze, or gold, remain authorized). Colored/rubber bracelets that support a cause are not allowed to be worn in uniform.

7.9.2. Eyeglasses or Sunglasses. If you wear glasses, they must not have any ornaments on the frames or lenses. Eyeglass lenses that are conservative, clear, slightly tinted, or have photosensitive lenses may be worn in uniform while indoors or while in military formation. When outdoors and in uniform, sunglasses and eyeglasses must have lenses and frames that are conservative; faddish or mirrored lenses are prohibited. Sunglasses are not allowed while in a military formation. Neither eyeglasses nor sunglasses can be worn around the neck while in uniform.

7.9.3. Tattoos or Brands. Whether you are in or out of uniform, tattoos or brands anywhere on the body are not allowed if they are obscene or if they advocate sexual, racial, ethnic, or religious discrimination. Tattoos or brands that might harm good order and discipline or bring discredit upon the Air Force are also barred, whether you are in or out of uniform. The SASI may exercise discretion if a new cadet arrives with a tattoo that may not be in full compliance with the above guidance.

7.9.4. Body Piercing. Cadets in uniform are not allowed to attach or display objects, articles, jewelry, or ornamentation to or through the ear (other than authorized in para 7.9.7), nose, tongue, or any exposed body part (including anything that might be visible through the uniform). Cadets may not cover any of these articles with make-up, band aids, or wearing clear post pins to hide body piercings.
7.9.5. Back Packs. Cadets may wear a back pack on the left shoulder or both shoulders (not to interfere with rendering the proper salute).

7.9.6. Wear/use of an earpiece, any blue tooth technology or headphones, while in uniform, indoors or outdoors, is prohibited, unless specifically authorized for the execution of official duties. Exception: Headphones and earphones [iPods, MP3-type players, etc.] are authorized during travel on public transportation i.e., bus, train or air travel.

7.10. Specific Female Cadet Grooming Guidelines.

7.10.1. Hair-Female. No Minimum hair length, to a maximum bulk of 3 ½ inches from scalp and allows proper wear of headgear. Hair will end above the bottom edge of collar and will not extend below an invisible line drawn parallel to the ground, both front to back and side to side. Bangs, or side-swiped hair will not touch either eyebrow, to include an invisible line drawn across eyebrows and parallel to the ground. See Figure 3.2. When in doubt, assess correct length of hair when Airman standing in the position of attention. Exception: While wearing the Physical Training Gear (PTG), long hair will be secured but may have loose ends and may extend below the bottom edge of the collar.

7.10.1.1. Hair will be clean, well-groomed, present a professional appearance. Will not contain excessive amounts of grooming aids (e.g. gel, mousse, pomade, or moisturizer), appear lopsided, touch either eyebrow, or end below an imaginary line across the forehead at the top of the eyebrows that is parallel to the ground. If applied, dyes, tints, bleaches and frostings must result in natural hair colors. Examples of natural hair colors are brown, blonde, brunette, natural red, black or grey. Prohibited examples (not all inclusive) are burgundy, purple, orange, fluorescent or neon colors.

7.10.1.2. Hair accessories. If worn, hair accessories (e.g., fabric scrunches, hairpins, combs, clips, headbands, elastic bands, barrettes, etc.) must match hair color. Black hair accessories are authorized regardless of hair color. Hair must still comply with bulk and appearance standards. Headgear must fit properly. Headbands or fabric scrunchies will not exceed one-inch in width. Ornaments are not authorized (i.e., ribbons, beads, jeweled pins).

7.10.2. Locs, braids, twists, micro-braids, french braids, dutch braids and cornrows are authorized. Locs are defined as portions of hair that have been intentionally or unintentionally fused together to form a loc or locs. A braid or twist is two or more portions of interwoven hair. If adding additional hair, it must be a natural-looking color, similar to the individual's hair color. It must be conservative (moderate, being within reasonable limits; not excessive or extreme) and not present a
faddish appearance. Hair must not exceed bulk and length standards and must not extend below the bottom of the collar (see Figure 3.2). Headgear must fit properly.

7.10.3. All locs, braids and twists, when worn will be of uniform dimension, no wider than one inch, with natural spacing between the locs, braids, and twists and must be tightly interwoven to present a neat, professional and well-groomed appearance. When worn, multiple locs, braids, or twists shall be of uniform dimension, small in diameter (approximately ¼ inches), show no more than ¼ inch of scalp between the locs, braids, or twists and must be tightly interwoven to present a neat, professional appearance.

7.10.4. A braid/twist must continue to the end of the hair without design and following the contour of the head, and may be worn loose or in a secured style within hair standards in paragraph 7.10.1 above. **Exception:** Micro-braids or twists are not required to continue to the end of the hair.

7.10.4. Unauthorized: Mohawk, mullet or etched design.

7.10.5. **Fingernails.** If worn by females, nail polish will be a single color that does not distinctly contrast with the female Airman’s complexion, detract from the uniform, or be extreme colors. Some examples of extreme colors included, but are not limited to, purple, gold, blue, black, bright (fire engine) red and florescent colors. Do not apply designs to nails or apply two-tone or multi-tone colors; however, white-tip French manicures are authorized. Fingernails must not exceed ¼ inch in length beyond the tip of the finger and must be clean and well-groomed.

7.10.6. Skirts. The length of your skirt may not vary beyond the top and bottom of the kneecap. Your skirt will fit smoothly, hang naturally, and must not be excessively tight. You must wear hosiery with the skirt. Choose a sheer nylon in a neutral dark brown, black, off-black, or dark blue shade that complements the uniform and your skin tone.

7.10.7. Earrings. Female cadets may wear small (not exceeding 6 mm in diameter) conservative (moderate, being within reasonable limits; not excessive or extreme) round or square white diamond, gold, white pearl, or silver earrings as a set with any uniform combination. If member has multiple holes, only one set of earrings are authorized to be worn in uniform and will be worn in the lower earlobes. Earrings will match and fit tightly without extending below the earlobe unless the piece extending is the connecting band on clip earrings.

7.10.8. Undergarments (Mandatory).

7.10.8.1. Females. Appropriate undergarments are required to be worn with all uniform combinations. Wear bra and underpants with all uniforms. Wear of the white V-neck style or athletic tank top undershirt when wearing opened collar service uniforms is authorized. Undershirt will be tucked into slacks or skirt. Undershirts will not have pockets.
Figure 3.2. Female Hair Style Examples

Braids

Twists

Locs
7.11. **Specific Male Cadet Grooming Guidelines.** (See Figure 3.1)

7.11.1. Men’s Hair. Hair will be clean, well-groomed, present a professional appearance. Will *not* contain excessive amounts of grooming aids (e.g. gel, mousse, pomade, or moisturizer), appear lopsided, touch either eyebrow, or end below an imaginary line across the forehead at the top of the eyebrows that is parallel to the ground. If applied, dyes, tints, bleaches and frostings must result in natural hair colors. Examples of natural hair colors are brown, blonde, brunette, natural red, black or grey. Prohibited examples (*not* all inclusive) are burgundy, purple, orange, fluorescent or neon colors.

7.11.2. Hair-Male. Tapered appearance on both sides and the back of the head, both with and without headgear. A tapered appearance is one that when viewed from any angle outlines the member's hair so that it conforms to the shape of the head, curving inward to the natural termination point without eccentric directional flow, twists or spiking. A block-cut is permitted with tapered appearance. Hair will *not* exceed 1¼ inch in bulk, regardless of length and ¼ inch at natural termination point; allowing only closely cut or shaved hair on the back of the neck to touch the collar. Hair will not touch the ears or protrude under the front band of headgear. Cleanly shaven heads, military high-and-tight or flat-top cuts are authorized. Prohibited examples (*not* all inclusive) are Mohawk, mullet, cornrows, dreadlocks or etched design. Men are *not* authorized hair extensions. See **Figure 3.1** for graphic examples of appropriate sideburns, and mustache and male hair standards.

7.11.3. Sideburns. If worn, sideburns will be straight and even width (not flared), and will not extend below the bottom of the orifice of the ear opening. Sideburns will end in a clean-shaven horizontal line. See **Figure 3.1**

7.11.4. Mustaches. Male Airmen may have mustaches; however, they will be conservative (moderate, being within reasonable limits; *not* excessive or extreme) and will not extend downward beyond the lip line of the upper lip or extend sideways beyond a vertical line drawn upward from both corners of the mouth. See **Figure 3.1**

7.11.5. Beards. Beards are not authorized unless for medical reasons, when authorized by a SASI on the advice of a medical official. SASI will submit waiver request in WINGS for review by HQ AFJROTC Waiver Review board. Members will keep all facial hair trimmed not to exceed ¼ inch in length. Individuals granted a shaving waiver will not shave or trim any facial hair in such a manner as to give a sculptured appearance.

7.11.6. Fingernails. Male cadets are not authorized to wear nail polish.

7.11.7. Earrings. Male cadets in uniform may not wear earrings or any other type of facial piercings.

7.11.8. Undergarments (Mandatory)

7.11.8.1. Appropriate undergarments are required to be worn with all uniform combinations. Wear undershirt and underpants with all uniforms. Wear the white V-neck or athletic style tank top undershirt when wearing opened collar service uniforms only. Undershirt will be tucked into trousers. Undershirts will not have pockets.
Figure 3.1. Male Hair Grooming Standards.

Sideburns

Mustache
7.12. **Specific Cadet Uniform Wear Guidelines.**

7.12.1. Cadet Uniform Wear Guidance for School Hosted JROTC Events:

7.12.1.1. School Sponsored Military Ball with Awards Ceremony: Units have two options they may choose to utilize.

Option 1: All cadets can wear the AFJROTC Service Dress uniform.

Option 2: Each male and female cadet will be given the individual option to wear their AFJROTC Service Dress uniform or to wear formal or semi-formal civilian attire. Any civilian attire worn must be in compliance with any/all school and district policies.

NOTE: Option 2 would allow block schedule school students to attend who are not currently in AFJROTC and who may not have uniforms currently issued to them.

7.12.1.2. School Sponsored Dining-Ins/Dining-Outs with Awards Ceremony: All AFJROTC cadets will wear their AFJROTC Service Dress uniform.

7.12.1.3. For any other event, the SASI, in conjunction with the school Principal will decide on the appropriate attire for AFJROTC cadets.

7.12.2. Cadet Uniform Wear Guidance for Fundraising:

7.12.2.1. There are no concerns with businesses contributing money to an AFJROTC booster club or other private clubs associated with AFJROTC that are NOT established by the Air Force as part of the program.

7.12.2.2. If businesses make a monetary donation, AFJROTC instructors and cadets may not advertise for the business in return – particularly in uniform. Doing so would present the “appearance” of an Air Force endorsement of the businesses making the donation. Such an appearance could be interpreted as a violation of the Joint Ethics Regulation.

7.12.2.3. AFJROTC personnel/cadets should not solicit donations from local businesses at any time.

7.12.2.4. Incorporating Corporate Sponsorship/local business donations as a way to help boost funding for your AFJROTC program are a great way to fund Leadership Development Requirements (LDR) for your cadets. The key is to contact your district and follow the above guidance to help keep sponsors and AFJROTC units within the scope of the Joint Ethics Regulation.
Attachment 7-1

Cadets may only wear one of these badges on their uniform.

Badges/Insignia not listed here are unauthorized for wear.
Authorized Air Force JROTC Badges and Insignia

Marksmanship Badges – Wear Only One

CMP Awarded Badges

Unit Awarded Badges

If earned choose only one – Cadets may only wear one on their uniform. Place directly underneath ribbons. Cadets may NOT wear Marksmanship Shield (see below) with Marksmanship Badge.

Do not wear Marksmanship badges with medals

Choose either the APT or Marksmanship Shield and a Marksmanship Badge. Only one may be worn.

Males and females may wear the marksmanship badge (may only wear one) below the ribbons on the blue shirt or service dress uniform or

Marksmanship badges will not be worn with medals.

Badges/Insignia not listed here are unauthorized for wear.
Attachment 7-2

AIR FORCE JROTC RANK INSIGNIA

CADET OFFICER RANK

SECOND LIEUTENANT

FIRST LIEUTENANT

CAPTAIN

MAJOR

LIEUTENANT COLONEL

COLONEL

NOTE: Cadet Officer rank used is either cloth epaulet or collar rank, depending on specific uniform worn.

CADET ENLISTED RANK

AIRMAN BASIC

NO RANK INSIGNIA

AIRMAN

AIRMAN FIRST CLASS

SENIOR AIRMAN

STAFF SERGEANT

TECHNICAL SERGEANT

MASTER SERGEANT

SENIOR MASTER SERGEANT

CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT

NOTE: Cadet Enlisted rank used is small collar rank only, regardless of uniform worn.

Rank insignia not listed here is unauthorized.
The First Sergeant device is not authorized.
Attachment 7-3

CADET MALE HEADGEAR

SERVICE CAP

Solid Blue Color with no embroidery

Centered

Black hat band

Plain Black

Service Cap – Solid dark Air Force blue color only. Cadet officers may wear the AFJROTC officer hat insignia or the large Hap Arnold Wings insignia. Enlisted cadets may only wear the large Hap Arnold Wings insignia.

FLIGHT CAP*

1 1/2” centered top to bottom and 1 1/2 inches from front of cap

- Enlisted Ranks will have no hat insignia on the flight cap.
- The former officer flight cap emblem will not be worn on the flight cap.
Attachment 7-4

CADET FEMALE HEADGEAR

SERVICE CAP

Solid Blue Color with no embroidery

Centered

Service Cap - Solid dark Air Force blue color only. Cadet officers may wear the AFJROTC officer hat insignia or the large Hap Arnold Wings insignia. Enlisted cadets may only wear the large Hap Arnold Wings insignia.

FLIGHT CAP*

1 1/2” centered top to bottom and 1 1/2 inches from front of cap

- Enlisted Ranks will have no hat insignia on the flight cap.
- The former officer flight cap emblem will not be worn on the flight cap.
Attachment 7-5

CADET BERET HEADGEAR

BERET

Berets.
1. Solid Color white, dark blue or black ONLY, with AFJROTC officer rank insignia or mini-Hap Arnold Insignia pin. The former officer/enlisted flight cap emblems will not be worn on the beret. The wear of a “Beret Flash” or mini unit patch is not authorized.
2. Position headband straight across the forehead, 1 inch above the eyebrows. Drape the top over the right ear. Wear the stiffener with the aligned insignia above the left eye. Adjust ribbon for comfort, tie in a knot, and tuck inside or cut-off. The insignia will be centered, ⅛ inch above and parallel to the headband.
3. The wear of a “Beret Flash” is not authorized.
Attachment 7-6

CADET ABU
Male and Female

1. Unit patch (optional). If worn, will be placed on right pocket and centered. (AF Funds may not be used to procure unit patches.)

2. Last Name and AFJROTC tapes. Letters are dark blue on digital camo background (mandatory). Tapes are grounded and centered on pockets. Name tape only may be held with Velcro to enable reuse/reissue to a different cadet.

3. Grade insignia (officer or enlisted) (mandatory). Will be worn on the left and right collars, centered 1-inch up from the bottom of the collar and parallel to the outer edge of the collar. Airman Basic have no collar insignia.

4. AFJROTC Patch (white, Lamp of Knowledge): WHITE patch only (mandatory). Will be worn on left pocket and centered.

5. Berets, ascots, and shoulder cords will not be worn with ABUs.

6. ABU sage green boots may be reissued to cadets. Spray boots with disinfectant spray before reissuing ABU boots.

7. OCP uniforms are not authorized for wear by AFJROTC cadets at any time.
Enlisted Cadets will not wear rank on the ABU cap.

Officers will wear rank insignia on the ABU cap.

No other style of head gear is authorized for wear with ABUs.

Exception is for Cadet Leadership Course (CLC) specific headgear that will ONLY be worn during the period of the CLC course.
1. Shoulder tabs are centered between unit patch and shoulder seam. If no patch, then 1 inch below shoulder seam.
2. Unit patch on right ½ to 1 inch below shoulder seam and centered.
3. Grade insignia (officer and enlisted) will be worn on both lapels, mandatory. For placement see Note 7.
4. Optional item: center vertically between the shoulder seam and where the underarm side seam joins the armhole sleeve and center horizontally between the center zipper and the sleeve armhole seam. Per AFJROTC 36-2010, para 6.1.1.10.1. The words “U.S. Air Force” must appear directly below the symbol, or units can choose to use “AFJROTC.” Embroidery expenses must be at no cost to the Air Force.
5. AFJROTC Patch (white, Lamp of Knowledge), mandatory. Center ½ to 1 inch below left shoulder seam
6. Jacket will be closed to at least the halfway point.
7. Center insignia horizontally on collar. Place 1 inch from bottom of collar and parallel to the outer edge of the collar.
8. Enlisted rank insignia MUST be worn on the blue shirt while wearing the light weight jacket.
9. Ascots and shoulder cords will not be worn on this uniform.
Attachment 7-9

CADET MALE SERVICE DRESS

1. Awareness Presentation Team (APT) Badge. Centered 3 inches below the bottom of the silver name tag.
2. Silver Nametag, mandatory. Center on the right side between armseam and lapel with bottom edge parallel to top of welt pocket.
3. Kitty Hawk Badge. See Note 15 below.
4. Unit patch. Place ½ to inch below shoulder seam and centered.
5. Shoulder tab: Center between unit patch and shoulder seam. If no patch, then 1 inch below shoulder seam.
6. Aerospace Education Foundation (AEF) Badge. See Note 15 below.
7. Distinguished Cadet Badge: #1 See Note 15 below.
8. Grade insignia/officer and enlisted worn on both lapels, mandatory. Place insignia halfway up the seam, resting on but not over it. Bottom of insignia is horizontal with the ground.
9. AFJROTC Patch (white, lamp of knowledge), mandatory. Center ½ to 1 inch below left shoulder seam.
10. Deleted.
11. Cadets will only wear one of the following badges: Flight Solo Badge, Unmanned Aircraft Badge, Aviation Ground School, and Flight Certificate Badge. See Note 15 below.
12. Ribbons, mandatory. Centered, on but not over edge of pocket. Wear 3 or 4 in a row. Wear all or some ribbons earned.
13. Marksmanship Badge - Marksmanship competition awards/badges may be worn on the AFJROTC uniform. Males and females will wear the badge (may only wear one) below the ribbons on the blue shirt or service dress uniform. Marksmanship badges will not be worn with medals.
14. Model Rocketry Badge. Worn 2 inches below the pocket.
15. Except marksmanship badge. Wear first badge placed ½ inch above silver name tag or ribbons and is centered horizontally. Additional badges are placed ½ inch above previous badge. Order of precedence for badges are as show on the diagram. Distinguished Cadet Badge, then the AEF Badge, then the Kitty Hawk Badge and lastly the Cyber Patriot National Finalist Badge. No more than one Flight badge is authorized.
16. Shoulder Cord. No wider than 1 inch and will be grounded to the seam of the left shoulder. May be solid or multi-colored.
17. Enlisted rank insignia MUST be worn on the blue shirt while wearing the service dress.
18. Medals are not authorized for wear on this uniform with ribbons. Ribbons and medals may not be mixed.
Attachment 7-10

CADET FEMALE SERVICE DRESS

1. Silver Name tag, mandatory. Center on the wearer's right between the sleeve seam and lapel and the bottom of the name tag will be parallel with the bottom of ribbons.
2. Awareness Presentation Team Badge. See Note 15 below.
3. Unit patch. Center ½ to 1 inch below shoulder seam
4. Shoulder tab: Center between unit patch and shoulder seam. If no patch, then 1 inch below shoulder seam
5. Kitty Hawk Badge. See Note 15 below.
6. Aerospace Education Foundation (AEF) Badge. See Note 15 below.
7. Distinguished Cadet Badge. See Note 15 below.
8. Grade insignia (officer and enlisted) worn on both lapels, mandatory. Place insignia halfway up the seam, resting on but not over it. Bottom of insignia is horizontal with the ground.
9. Deleted
10. Cadets will only wear one of the following badges, Flight Solo Badge, Unmanned Aircraft Badge, Aviation Ground School, and Flight Certificate Badge. See Note 15 below.
11. AFJROTC Patch (white, Lamp of Knowledge), mandatory. Center ½ to 1 inch below left shoulder seam.
12. Marksmanship Badge - Marksmanship competition awards/badges may be worn on the AFJROTC uniform. Males and females will wear the badge (may only wear one) below the ribbons on the blue shirt or service dress uniform. Marksmanship badges will not be worn with medals.
14. Ribbons, mandatory. Center ribbons resting on but not over edge of welt pocket. Wear 3 or 4 in a row. Wear all or some ribbons earned.
15. Except marksmanship badge. Wear first badge placed ½ inch above silver name tag or ribbons and is centered horizontally. Additional badges are placed ½ inch above previous badge. Order of precedence for badges are as show on the diagram. Distinguished Cadet Badge, then the AEF Badge, then the Kitty Hawk Badge, then the Awareness Presentation Team Badge and lastly the CyberPatriot National Finalist Badge. No more than one Flight badge is authorized.
16. Shoulder Cord. No wider than 1 inch and will be grounded to the seam of the left shoulder. May be solid or multi-colored.
17. Enlisted rank insignia MUST be worn on the blue shirt while wearing the service dress.
18. Medals are not authorized for wear on this uniform with ribbons. Ribbons and medals may not be mixed.
Attachment 7-11

CADET MALE BLUE SHIRT

1. Awareness Presentation Team (APT) and Model Rocketry Badge are centered on the pockets on the appropriate sides as displayed above.
2. Name Tag: Mandatory wear. Blue Plastic with white letters. Must be grounded and centered over wearer’s right pocket.
3. Unit patch. Centered ½ to 1 inch below the shoulder seam.
4. Shoulder tab. Centered between unit patch and shoulder seam. If no patch, then place 1 inch below shoulder seam.
5. Kitty Hawk Badge. See Note 15.
6. Aerospace Education Foundation (AEF) Badge. See Note 15.
7. Distinguished Cadet Badge. See Note 15.
8. Grade Insignia. Mandatory (officer and enlisted) worn on both left and right collar, centered side to side and top to bottom. Enlisted rank’s bottom point of each point towards the point of the collar. Officer top point of rank aligned with point of collar. Cadet/Army Basic have no insignia of any kind on the collar.
9. Officer’s only. When using officer cloth rank on epaulets versus miniature metal rank on collar, place as close as possible to shoulder seam. (Use larger male epaulets only).
10. Deleted
11. Cadets will only wear one of the following badges, Flight Solo Badge, Unmanned Aircraft Badge, Aviation Ground School, and Flight Certificate Badge. See Note 15 below.
12. Marksmanship competition awards/badges may be worn on the AFJROTC uniform. Males and females will wear the badge (may only wear one) below the ribbons on the blueshirt or service dress uniform. Marksmanship badges will not be worn with medals.
13. AFJROTC Patch (white, Lamp of Knowledge), mandatory. Center ½ to 1 inch below left shoulder seam.
14. Ribbons are optional. Wear all, some or no ribbons earned. If worn, ribbons will be centered, resting on, but not over the edge of the pleated pocket on the wearer’s left.
15. Except marksmanship badges. First badge placed ½ inch above name tag or ribbons and is centered horizontally. Additional badges placed ½ inch above previous badge. Order of precedence for badges are as shown on the diagram. Distinguished Cadet Badge, then AEF Badge, then Kitty Hawk Badge, and finally the CyberPatrol National Finalist Badge. No more than one Flight badge is authorized.
16. Shoulder Cord. No wider than 1 inch and will be grounded to the seam of the left shoulder under epaulet. May be sold or multi-colored.
17. Medals (regardless of what type) are not authorized for wear on this uniform.
1. Name Tag: Mandatory wear. Blue Plastic with white letters. Without ribbons: centered on right side, parallel to ground and within 1 ½ inches higher/lower than topmost exposed button. With Ribbons: Even with bottom row of ribbons, centered on right side, parallel to ground and within 1 ½ inches higher/lower than topmost exposed button.

2. Awareness Presentation Team (APT) Badge. See Note 16

3. Unit Patch. Centered on sleeve and ½ to 1 inch below shoulder seam.

4. Shoulder Tab (Metal or cloth). Centered between unit patch and shoulder seam. If no patch, then 1 inch below shoulder seam.

5. Kitty Hawk Air Society Badge. See Note 16.

6. Aerospace Education Foundation (AEF) Badge. See Note 16.

7. Distinguished Cadet Badge. See Note 16.

8. Grade insignia, mandatory (officer and enlisted) worn on both left and right collar, centered side to side and top to bottom. Enlisted rank's bottom point of torch points towards the point of the collar. Officer top point of rank aligned with point of collar. Cadet/Amn Basic have no insignia of any kind on the collar.

9. Officers only. When using officer cloth rank on epaulets versus miniature metal rank on collar, place as close as possible to shoulder seam. (Use smaller female epaulets only)

10. Deleted.

11. Cadets will only wear one of the following badges, Flight Solo Badge, Unmanned Aircraft Badge, Aviation Ground School, and Flight Certificate Badge. See Note 16 below.

12. Marksmanship Badge- Marksmanship competition awards/badges may be worn on the AFROTC uniform. Males and females will wear the badge (may only wear one) below the ribbons on the blue shirt or service dress uniform. Marksmanship badges will not be worn with medals.

13. AFROTC Patch (white, Lamp of Knowledge), mandatory. Center ½ to 1 inch below left shoulder seam

14. Model Rocketry Badge. See Note 16.

15. Ribbons are optional. Wear all, some or no ribbons earned. If worn, center ribbons on wearer’s left, parallel with ground. Align bottom of the ribbons with the bottom of the name tag.

16. Except marksmanship badge. Wear first badge placed ½ inch above silver name tag or ribbons and is centered horizontally. Additional badges are placed ½ inch above previous badge. Order of precedence for badges are as show on the diagram. Distinguished Cadet Badge, then the AEF Badge, then the Kitty Hawk Badge, then the Awareness Presentation Team Badge and lastly the CyberPatriot National Finalist Badge. No more than one Flight badge is authorized.

17. Shoulder Cord. No wider than 1 inch and will be grounded to the seam of the left shoulder under the epaulet. May be solid or multi-colored.

18. Medals (regardless of what type) are not authorized for wear on this uniform.
1. * AFJROTC Command Patch (mandatory). Velcro attached. This style of patch may only be worn on the Flight Suit. Cadets will only wear one of the following badges, Flight Solo Badge, Unmanned Aircraft Badge, Aviation Ground School, and Flight Certificate Badge. *(see Ops Supplement, Chapter 7, paras 7.2.1 - 7.2.4).*

2. The unit patch will be worn on the right sleeve (shoulder) of the Flight Suit, if the unit patch is unavailable then the white, Lamp of Knowledge, AFJROTC Patches will not be sewn directly onto the flight suit, all patches must be attached using Velcro.

3. * American Flag Patch (mandatory) on left shoulder. Patches will not be sewn directly onto the flight suit, all patches must be attached using Velcro.

4. * Cadet Name Patch (mandatory). Velcro attached. Black background with silver border (if unit has a unit patch, units may substitute background color/border with unit patch colors). Cadet Name Badge – Top line will be Cadet Name and second line will be “CADET AFJROTC”. Patches will not be sewn directly onto the flight suit, all patches must be attached using Velcro.
   • Flight patches and Velcro may be purchased from a vendor using MiIPer funds.
   • Flight Suits maybe purchased through WINGS/FedMall (contact HQ Logistics for assistance.)
   • Flight Suits are accountable uniforms items and must be issued/returned via WINGS.
1. The blue or white long-sleeve shirt will be plain, knit or woven, commercial type with a short or medium point collar, with button or French cuffs.
2. Enlisted members do not need to wear two sets of ranks on the semi-formal uniform.
3. The Silver Name Tag will not be worn on the semi-formal dress uniform.
4. Black or Blue bow tie may be worn with the semi-formal uniform (white shirt only).
5. Large medals will be worn on the semi-formal uniform coat ¾ inch below the top of the welt of the pocket, centered on the pocket. If medals are worn, ribbons will not be worn (no mixing).
6. AFJROTC ribbons may be worn on the semi-formal uniform. If ribbons are worn, medals will not be worn (no mixing).
7. Authorized badges may be worn on the semi-formal dress uniform. If medals are worn, badges that are normally worn directly under the ribbon rack will not be worn.
8. Headgear is not worn with the semi-formal dress uniform.
9. Per Chapter 7 para 7.8.4.8. **Mess Dress Uniforms are not authorized for wear by AFJROTC cadets.**
Sample Exhibition Uniform

1. Solid Color white, dark blue or black ONLY, with AFJROTC officer rank insignia or mini-Hap Arnold Insignia pin. The former officer/enlisted flight cap emblems will not be worn on the beret. The wear of a “Beret Flash” or mini unit patch is not authorized.

2. Shoulder Cord. Cadets are authorized to wear one shoulder cord on the left shoulder. This will be a single “infantry” style cord, without metal tips, no more than 1-inch wide. On the blue shirt the cord will be under the epaulet, grounded to the left shoulder seam and pinned to the shoulder with the pin hidden beneath the cord. May be solid or multi-colored.

3. Blue/Silver Name Tags and ribbons may be omitted on uniforms where a drill rifle or other equipment may damage the item or injure the performing member. This does not apply to uniforms worn during regular uniform days.

4. Blue pants may be modified to have a ¾ inch stripe on the outside length of the pants, silver, blue, or black only. These items will not be worn on regular uniform days.

5. Solid color ascots may be worn (embroidery or a unit patch is authorized on the ascot), colors may be locally-determined (school colors), but must be conservative and in good taste, and defined in the Cadet Guide or Unit Operations Instruction. Ascots will not be worn on regular uniform days.

6. Embroidery on the Air Force blue drill team uniform is not authorized, i.e., on the back of the blue shirt collar or shoulder yoke.

7. Specialized unit rank/shoulder boards are not authorized.

8. Wrist bands are not authorized.

9. AFJROTC Patch (white, Lamp of Knowledge), mandatory. Center ¼ to 1 inch below left shoulder seam.

10. Black Boots/corfams may be issued on an as required basis to the unit Color Guard or Drill Team. This is for restricted use and is not intended for use across unit’s entire cadet corps. Black boots/corfams may be reissued to cadets. Spray boots/corfams with disinfectant spray before reissuing.
Sample Exhibition Uniform

1. Women’s Service Caps may be worn with the Hap Arnold Wings insignia or Officer Service Cap may also be worn with the large officer service cap insignia large officer’s Service Caps (wheel and bucket hats) will be a solid color and free of any embroidery.

2. Shoulder Cord. Cadets are authorized to wear one shoulder cord on the left shoulder. This will be a single “infantry” style cord, without metal tips, no more than 1-inch wide. On the blue shirt the cord will be underneath the epaulet, grounded to the left shoulder seam and pinned to the shoulder with the pin hidden beneath the cord. May be solid or multi-colored.

3. Blue/Silver Name Tags and ribbons may be omitted on uniforms where a drill rifle or other equipment may damage the item or injure the performing member. This does not apply to uniforms worn during regular uniform days.

4. Blue pants may be modified to have a 3/8 inch stripe on the outside length of the pants, silver, blue, or black only. These items will not be worn on regular uniform days.

5. Solid color ascots may be worn (embroidery or a unit patch is authorized on the ascot), colors may be locally-determined (school colors), but must be conservative and in good taste, and defined in the Cadet Guide or Unit Operations Instruction. Ascots will not be worn on regular uniform days.

6. Embroidery on the Air Force blue drill team uniform is not authorized, i.e., on the back of the blue shirt collar or shoulder yoke.

7. Specialized unit rank/shoulder boards are not authorized.

8. A 1/2 inch silver, dark blue, or black only sleeve braid, 3 inches from the end of the sleeve, may be worn.

9. AFJROTC Patch (white, Lamp of Knowledge), mandatory. Center 3/8 to 1 inch below left shoulder seam.

10. Black Boots/corframs may be issued on an as required basis to the unit Color Guard or Drill Team. This is for restricted use and is not intended for use across unit’s entire cadet corps. Black boots/corframs may be reissued to cadets. Spray boots/corframs with disinfectant spray before reissuing.
Sample Uniform Pictures
Cadets will not wear both officer and enlisted rank on their uniforms ... these are sample pictures only
Attachment 7-16 (continued)

Sample Uniform Pictures
Attachment 7-16 (continued)

Sample Uniform Pictures

Local Purchased PFT Gear

FEDMALL Purchased Air Force PTG

FEDMALL Purchased Air Force Sweat Shirt and Pants
Attachment 7-17

National Level Award Contacts

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Manager of National Aerospace Awards Air Force Association
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Arlington VA 22209-1190
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Fax: 703-247-5853
POC: Alex Edgar
Email: aedgar@afa.org
Website: https://www.afa.org/informationfor/students/medalsribbonsandcertificates

Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) Award
If local chapter not available, contact
National Defense Committee NSDAR
1776 D Street NW
Washington DC 20006-5392
Phone: 202-628-1776 ext 292
Website: www.dar.org
Email: vholmes@dar.org POC: Valerie Holmes

American Legion Scholastic and General Military Excellence Awards
If local post is not available, contact
American Legion National Headquarters
National Security Division
1608 K Street NW
Washington DC 20006-2847
Phone: 202-861-2700 ext.: 2988
Fax: 202-861-2728
Website: www.legion.org
POC: Freddy Gessner

Daedalian Award
If local flight not available, contact
Order of Daedalians
PO Box 249
Randolph AFB TX 78148-0249
Phone: 210-945-2111
Fax: 210-945-2112
Email: daedalus@daedalians.org
Website: www.daedalians.org
POC: Ed Sheeran
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National Level Award Contacts

Reserve Officers Association (ROA) Award
Local ROA chapter contacts each ASI before 15 Jan and furnishes name of ROA representative. If contact is not made by 15 Jan, SASI must contact National Headquarters, Reserve Officers Association
1 Constitution Avenue NE
Washington DC 20002-5655
Phone: 800-809-9448 ext. 731
Website: www.roa.org
POC: Ashika Grimes
Email: agrimes@roa.org

Military Officers Association Award
If local chapter not available, contact The Retired Officers Association
201 N Washington Street
Alexandria VA 22314-2529
Phone: 800-234-6622
Email: chapters@moaa.org
Website: www.moaa.org/rotcawards

Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Award
If no local unit available, contact Veterans of Foreign Wars of the US
406 West 34th Street
Kansas City MO 64111-2736
Phone: 816-756-3390 or 816-968-1155
Fax: 816-968-1149
Email: info@vfw.org
Website: www.vfw.org
POC: Quentin Carroll
Email: qcarroll@vfw.org

National Society United States Daughters of 1812
1286 Riverside Ave
Baltimore, MD 21230
Phone: 410-530-7083
Website: www.usdaughters1812.org/chapters.html
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National Level Award Contacts

National Sojourners Award
If no local chapter or local chapter does not offer award, contact
National Sojourners
8301 E Blvd Drive
Alexandria VA 22308-1399
Phone: 703-765-5000
Fax: 703-765-8390
Email: nationalsoj@juno.com
Website: www.nationalsojourners.org
POC: Renee Malzahn

Scottish Rite, Southern Jurisdiction Award
If local chapter does not offer award, contact
Scottish Rite JROTC Americanism Medal Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry,
Southern Jurisdiction, USA
1733 Sixteenth Street
NW Washington DC 20009-3103
Phone: 202-232-3579
FAX: 202-387-1843
Website: www.srmason-sj.org

Military Order of the Purple Heart Award
If no local unit available, contact
Military Order of the Purple Heart
5413-B Blacklick Road
Springfield VA 22151
Phone: 703-642-5360
Fax: 703-642-2054
Email: communications@purpleheart.org
Website: www.purpleheart.org

Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) Award
The National Headquarters, Sons of the American Revolution
1000 S 4th Street
Louisville KY 40203-3292
Phone: 502-589-1776
Fax: 502-589-1671
Voice mail: 502-589-1779
Website: www.sar.org
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National Level Award Contacts

Military Order of World Wars (MOWW)
If no local unit available, contact
National Headquarters, Military Order of the World Wars
435 N Lee Street
Alexandria VA 22314-2301
Phone: 703-683-4911
Fax: 703-683-4501
Email: chiefofstaff@moww.org
Website: www.moww.org

America Veterans (AMVETS) Award
If state chapter not available, contact:
AMVETS National Headquarters ROTC Programs Coordinator
4647 Forbes Blvd
Lanham MD 20706-9961
Phone: 301-683-4031
Website: www.amvets.org/rotc-jrotc-medals
POC: Lindsay Bonaparte

Sons of the Union Veterans of the Civil War (SUVCW) Award
If local chapter does not offer award, contact
Sons of the Union Veterans of the Civil War
P.O. Box 1865
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17105
Phone: 717-232-7000
Website: www.suvcw.org

Air Force Sergeants Association (AFSA) Achievement Award
If no local chapter, contact
AFSA International Headquarters
5211 Auth Road
Suitland MD 20746
Phone: 800-638-0594 ext. 288
Fax: 301-899-8136
Email: jrotc@hqafsa.org
Website: www.hqafsa.org
National Level Award Contacts

Tuskegee Airmen Incorporated (TAI) Award
Email: NC-20022@afjrotc.com
The Tuskegee Airmen, Inc. AFJROTC Cadet Award ribbon is mailed to every AFJROTC unit from AFJROTC NC-20022, Vance High School. AFJROTC units do not need to contact the unit to receive their allotted two ribbons per year. Requesting replacement ribbons send a check for $2.00 to cover the cost of mailing up to two ribbons. The Tuskegee Airmen, Inc. (TAI) certificate is posted in WINGS / Published Files / Directory / JROTC Certificates.

The Retired Enlisted Association (TREA) Award
If no local chapter exists contact
TREA
1111 South Abilene Court
Aurora, CO 80012-4909
Phone: 800-338-9337
Fax: 303-752-0835
Email: treahq@trea.org
Website: www.trea.org
Certificates may be printed directly from the TREA website.

The Celebrate Freedom Foundation Award
Celebrate Freedom Foundation
2533 B Airport Blvd
West Columbia, SC 29170
Phone: 803-708-4752
Fax: 803-708-4815
Email: info@cff-soar.org
Website: www.gocff.org/jrotc

Air Commando Association Award
Air Commando Association
P.O. Box 7
Mary Easter, FL 32569
AFJROTC Unit PA-20091 will mail ribbon and certificate template to each AFJROTC unit no later than the last day of month of each calendar year as national service project.
Email: PA-20091@afjrotc.com

Veterans and Military Service Organization (VSO) Awards
United States Department Of Veterans Affairs
Washington, D.C.