

BOOKER T. WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL NAVY JUNIOR RESERVE OFFICERS TRAINING CORPS 4204 Yale St. Houston, Tx. 77018



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Dear Parents/Guardians

Welcome to the Booker T. Washington High School Navy Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (NJROTC) Program. The mission of the NJROTC program is "to instill in students the value of citizenship, service to the United States, personal responsibility, and a sense of accomplishment." The program is devoted to your child's growth, both as a student and as a person. NJROTC is a cooperative effort on the part of the U.S. Navy and Booker T. Washington High School. The goal of the program is to give each scholar the opportunity for total development and self-improvement. NJROTC teaches self-discipline, confidence, leadership and pride in a job well done.

Additionally, the NJROTC program offers each student challenges and the opportunity to:

- Sharpen communication skills
- Promote and encourage citizenship through participation in community service projects
- Develop leadership potential
- Strengthen self-esteem
- Improve physical fitness
- Provide incentives to live drug free
- Promote graduation from high school and develop a solid foundation for career development

NJROTC offers many opportunities for teamwork, advancement, and self enrichment that are not available in other high school courses. Student (cadet) success is the main goal of all Navy JROTC learning experiences. Our course description includes:

- Unit 1: Career Planning
- Unit 2: Leadership, Motivation, Relationships, Attitudes and Emotions
- Unit 3: Citizenship and American Government
- Unit 4: U.S. Navy
- Unit 5: Wellness, Fitness, and First Aid
- Unit 6: Geography and Survival Skills

During this school year, your child will be required to participate in three major events. Failure to participate in either event listed below, could adversely affect your child's grade:

- a. Mini Boot Camp which will be held on Saturday, Sept. 3, 2023, at Booker T. Washington High School, from 7:30 am until 1:00 pm.
- b. Navy Annual Military Inspection which is scheduled for Jan. 18, 2023 at Booker T. Washington High School.
- c. Military Ball which is scheduled for Mar. 10, 2023 at the Sheraton Brookhollow.
- d. Annual HISD Final Review is tentatively on Saturday, April 23, 2023 at a location Butler Stadium.

In addition to the events mentioned above, the company will be participating in several parades and will try to travel to Ellington AFB and potentially Corpus Christi, TX this school year. A schedule of events for the upcoming school year (subject to change) is attached for your review. We encourage you to allow your child to participate. The more exposure they get to new things, the better citizen they will become.

Additionally, we respectfully ask that you help us out by participating in a fundraiser that we will host. The goal is to get \$100/cadet donated to the program. The money will be used to cover the expenses for the Military Ball, Skating Party, Coach Bus, lodging and tickets for the Corpus Christi trip. The fundraiser will kick off in the beginning of October and will be computer based so you can solicit from family and friends all over the world.

Instructor staff is as follows:

- a. **Lamar Johnson**, CDR, Retired, NS2, 3 and 4 (second, third and fourth year cadets), Senior Naval Science Instructor
- b. **Stacey Freeman,** Master Chief, USN, Retired, NS1 (first year cadets), Naval Science Instructor.
- c. **Michael Murphy**, Chief, USN, Retired, NS1 NS4 (all cadets), Naval Science Instructor.

Your child should have brought home several forms which are required to be on file for all cadets. These forms remain here at the school and are used for school purposes only. Your cooperation in returning these forms as soon as possible will be greatly appreciated.

We look forward to having a very successful year. If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please feel free to contact me at (713) 696-6600, (816) 945-9845, or you may email me at LJohns39@houstonisd.org.

Sincerely,

Lamar V. Johnson

Lamar Johnson CDR, USCG, RET Senior Naval Science Instructor Booker T. Washington High School Eagle Battalion

Booker T. Washington High School and High School for Engineering Professions Naval Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps 2022-2023 Calendar of Events

Date	Event	Time
08/13/2022	Color Guard for HISD Athletics - Delmar	3:00 pm
09/03/2022	Mini Boot Camp @ BTW	7:00 am
09/23/2022	Color Guard/Spirit Team for Homecoming Football Game @ Dyer Stadium	5:00 pm
10/07/2022	Color Guard/Spirit Team for Football Game @ Dyer	5:00 pm
10/08/2022	Spring High School Drill Meet	6:00 am
10/17-21/2022	HISD Fall Classic Physical Fitness Competition	4:00 pm
10/21/2022	Color Guard/Spirit Team for Football Game @ Cowart	5:00 pm
10/24-28/2022	District Rifle Match #1	7:00 am
10/28/2022	Color Guard/Spirit Team for Football Game @ Dyer	5:00 pm
10/29/2022	HISD Fall Classic Drill Competition	6:00 am
11/28-12/02/202	District Rifle Match #2	7:00 am
12/03/2022	Nimitz Drill Competition	6:00 am
01/14/2023	Dekaney Drill Competition	6:00 am
01/15/2023	Chevron Houston Marathon Community Service	7:30 am
01/16/2023	MLK Parade	7:30 am
01/18/2023	Annual Military Inspection	7:30 am
02/04/2023	Tomball Drill Meet @ Tomball High School	7:00 am
02/06-02/10/202	District Rifle Match #3	7:00 am
02/21-25/2023	Bluebonnet PT Meet @ Sam Houston	4:00 pm
03/04/2023	Bluebonnet Drill Meet @ Barbara Jordan High School District Rifle Match #4	6:30 am
03/10/2023	NJROTC Military Ball – Sheraton Brookhollow	6:00 pm
03/25/2023	Outstanding Cadet Qualification Board	6:00 am
04/22/2023	Annual HISD Final Review	8:00 am
05/06/2023	Cinco de Mayo Parade	8:00 am