**NAVY JROTC WELCOME ABOARD PACKAGE**

To all Parents and Guardians,

Welcome to the Murrieta Mesa High School Navy JROTC program. We are a young Unit and we are very proud of all that we have accomplished in such a short period of time. The program provides all books, drill equipment, and uniforms at a minimum cost to the student. Our objective is to instill a sense of Honor, Courage and Commitment in our Cadets. Leadership skills are taught to prepare students to successfully meet life’s challenges. Naval JROTC encourages participation in community service along with school programs and projects, we highly encourages civic responsibility, which develops strong and informed leaders for our future. We are pleased to have your son or daughter as a Cadet in the Murrieta Mesa RAM Battalion.

We participate in a variety of activities that will stress teamwork, leadership, unit cohesiveness, discipline, motivation and physical fitness. We offer competitive opportunities with drill teams, color guards, academic teams, and physical fitness teams. The academic portion of the curriculum focuses on all aspects of leadership and civic responsibility with an opportunity to lead other Cadets in real world situations. NJROTC programs has a proven record for improving citizenship, leadership, physical fitness and above all academic performance.

Included in this packet are forms requiring signatures from both students and parent. These forms were explained to your student and must be filled out completely and signed by the Parent/Guardian, and student and then returned as soon as possible. All of the attached forms are required for a student to enroll in this course. Your son/daughter cannot leave campus for an NJROTC sponsored activity or receive the uniform until all forms are turned in. Of great importance are medical information forms that are required by the United States Navy and the school district that must be returned before any student can participate in NJROTC activities.

I will periodically contact Parents/Guardians through email and through the Calendars on the school website of what the unit has planned for the upcoming months. I have attempted to make this course as paperless as possible with all information (textbooks, forms, manuals, etc.) also posted online through the school website to make it as easy as possible for the student and Parent/Guardian to find what they need.

Once again, on behalf of Chief Meredith and myself welcome to Murrieta Mesa NJROTC Family. I look forward to working with your son or daughter! Please feel free to contact me at any time.

Sincerely Yours,

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