



**MUSKOGEE HIGH SCHOOL**

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Dear Prospective AFJROTC Family,

Thank you for considering Air Force Junior ROTC (AFJROTC) for your child. AFJROTC is an incredible program and our mission is **"To develop citizens of character dedicated to serving their nation and community."** Our program is completely voluntary and no MHS student can be forced to take AFJROTC, however the support and encouragement you give your child to "try" the program is incredibly important. For this reason, there are a few important points we want to ensure are very clear to our families.

1. If a student takes AFJROTC in high school, there is **never** any obligation to join the military.
2. AFJROTC emphasizes "life skills" which will help MHS students long after high school.
3. AFJROTC will help prepare your child for success following high school.

It's important to know all JROTC programs are **citizenship programs**. They are **not** military recruiting programs and the citizenship charter is stated in Title 10 United States Code law. AFJROTC works to teach important skills and reinforce personal traits to help make your student successful in life, no matter what type of career they choose following high school. These life skills are based on the Air Force core values of **"integrity first, service before self, and**

**excellence in all we do.”** Your child will learn important aspects of leadership, followership, adherence to personal appearance and grooming standards, proper uniform wear and will also have the opportunity to participate in some very exciting co-curricular activities to include Color Guard, Rifle Team, Academic Bowl, and the Physical Training Team. They will have the opportunity to participate in community events as well as community service projects. These activities reinforce the lessons they will learn in the classroom academics and provide them an opportunity to lead and learn among their peers. These activities are our “hands on” teaching tools and are a very fun and exciting way to reinforce the importance of team-work, service, positive attitude, hard-work, and positive image. AFJROTC is a place where a student will not only start to grasp important life lessons, but they will truly feel a sense of accomplishment, belonging, and pride that comes with teamwork and success. For more information, please visit us at [www.AFJROTC.com](http://www.AFJROTC.com) or on your smartphone or mobile device at: <http://afjrotc.com/mobile.php?menu=JROTC>.

MHS AFJROTC is a fully (AdvancED) academically accredited and inclusive program that is open to all students in the 9th to 12th grades. We do many things in addition to our world class on campus instructional curriculum. Last year we took curriculum in action to trips to places like the Tulsa Air and Space Museum, Fort Gibson National Historic site, and attended the Star Spangled Salute Air Show at Tinker Air Force Base. If your child is eager to learn, has a good attitude, wants to be part of a true team, and is willing to follow very reasonable personal grooming and uniform wear requirements, then they will be welcome in this great program. It is a great program due to the dedication, leadership, teaching, and mentorship of about 2,000 retired Air Force instructors in over 880 partnering high schools across the nation and overseas. Your child will be joining nearly 125,000 other AFJROTC cadets! If you have any questions about the oldest AFJROTC unit in OK, please feel free to contact CMSgt Tammy D. Lepird at (918)684-3750 x 1731, myself, at (918)684-3750 x1735, or the school counselors. Thank you for considering AFJROTC for your child and your potential partnership in working towards our goal to **develop citizens of character for America**. Sincerely,

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Dedicated to Excellence ■ Educating all Students to be Successful in an Ever Changing Society ■ Achieved through Shared Leadership