



HILLGROVE NAVY JROTC



WELCOME TO ONE OF THE FINEST NAVY JROTC PROGRAMS IN THE NATION!

We are excited to welcome cadets and parents to Hillgrove's Navy Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps (NJROTC) program for the 2025/2026 school year. You are joining a nationally recognized NJROTC program; "Distinguished Unit" 11 years in a row, as one of the top programs in the state and nation. We look forward to you helping us build upon our units many successes this school year.

NJROTC provides cadets the opportunity to grow and develop as individuals and leaders. Our efforts focus on cadet academic success, leadership development, teamwork, and school/community service. This is accomplished, in part, through academics, military drill, and physical training. There will be numerous opportunities to participate competitively against other NJROTC units across the state and nation, in academics, marksmanship, athletics, drone, military drill, and orienteering. We will also participate in numerous community service events, parades, and color guards for local school, government, and civic organizations.

To reinforce classroom learning within NJROTC, cadets will have opportunities to participate in orientation trips to military bases and other historical/educational venues. In previous years, we have visited Los Angeles, San Francisco, Washington D.C., Seattle, Jacksonville, Pensacola, Charleston, Charlotte, Orlando, Phoenix, Dobbins ARB, the National Infantry Museum, and many others. Potential trips this year include Paris Island, SC, Jacksonville, FL, Gainesville, FL, and possibly others. There are also opportunities to attend various summer leadership and training camps, such as Orienteering, Sail Academy, Leadership Academy, and Marksmanship. Finally, cadets will participate in a Fall Festival, Pass-in-Review Ceremony, Military Ball, and End-of-Year Awards Banquet.

With all the NJROTC program offers, we cannot do it alone. First, we ask that each parent become an active participant in our unit's Cadet Parent Organization (CPO). I believe you will find it very rewarding to participate and watch your student cadets grow with us. Second, the cost for being in the NJROTC program is minimal compared to the valuable experience the cadets receive; this includes athletic gear for new cadets and an activity fee to be paid by all cadets to the Hillgrove NJROTC program to assist in making the activities described above possible. We will conduct fundraising events throughout the year, but activity fees account for a significant portion of the funds needed for our program. Your involvement and contribution help us provide the best possible experiences for your cadet.

Thank you in advance for your support and welcome aboard!

Senior Naval Science Instructor: LCDR Ron Hojnowski, USN (Ret)
Naval Science Instructor: AWFC (SW) Gary Geromette, USN Ret)

Hillgrove NJROTC CPO:	President – Mrs. Shanli Lovelady	Sponsorship – vacant
	Vice President – Mr. Jim Moorhead	Hospitality – Mrs. Lori Hojnowski
	Secretary – Mrs. Sarah Richards	Communications – Mrs. Shannon Moore
	Treasurer – Mrs. Jamie Greene	



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2025/2026 HILLGROVE NJROTC ACTIVITY FEE FORM

Cadets Name: _____ Phone: _____

Parent(s) Name: _____ Parent Phone: _____

Parent Email Address: _____

Athletic Gear Fee: \$30.00 – ***REQUIRED*** for ***ALL*** cadets - receive NJROTC t-shirt/shorts for athletics/other events.

Total Activity Fee Contribution: \$250.00 (includes \$30.00 Athletic Gear Fee above) – This additional fee allows your cadet to participate in most unit activities, events, and local field trips. New cadets will receive a 2nd unit t-shirt, hoodie, sweatpants, unit polo, and ball cap. Returning cadets will receive a unit t-shirt and shorts. These items will be our “**REQUIRED**” spirit wear (uniform) when taking trips or competing in NJROTC competitions. Families with multiple cadets in the program will receive a \$50 discount on additional cadet’s activity fee. Cadets who have not paid their activity fee in full, will be asked to pay a fee (pay-as-you-go) to participate in optional unit activities such as field trips or unit competitions to help cover costs.

Notes: (1) Overnight trips, and other special events, such as the Fall Festival and Military Ball will require an additional cost to cover transportation, meals, and lodging. (2) There will be a separate \$100 team fee for Orienteering team members and an additional fee of \$50 per team to participate in the academic, drill, drone, and marksmanship teams (cadets will pay a maximum of two additional team fees, regardless of the number of teams they participate in).

Those unable to make payment in full are encouraged to make installment payments. Please make an initial deposit of \$50, along with a minimum payment of \$50 per month. Fees should be paid in full prior to the end of the first semester. Additionally, all money earned via fundraisers will be applied to cadet activity fees until paid in full.

Please make Activity Gear and Activity Fee payments (**\$250.00, in total, if paying together**) by cash, money order, check**, or via Zelle (see below). For questions concerning our activity fee, including the possibility of scholarships, please contact our Cadet Parent Organization President, Mrs. Shanli Lovelady at shanli@bellsouth.net.

Payment in full or a payment plan is requested by Friday, August 29, 2025.

**** A \$30.00 RETURNED CHECK FEE WILL BE ADDED TO EACH CADETS ACCOUNT FOR CHECKS RETURNED DUE TO NSF. PAID ACTIVITY FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE.**

Please return this form with amount of payment made indicated in the space provided:

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

Payment Amt: \$ _____ Type: _____ Cash, _____ Money Order, _____ Check #, _____ Venmo

*Please make checks and money orders (preferred) payable to: **HILLGROVE NJROTC CPO**. Write cadet’s name in the memo block or subject line. ZELLE payments may also be made to (jamie071400@yahoo.com). Please include cadet’s name and purpose of each payment.*

Thank you for supporting the HILLGROVE NJROTC CPO!