

**NORTH SPRINGS HIGH SCHOOL**  
**Army JROTC**  
**7447 Roswell Road**  
**Atlanta, Georgia 30328**

1 November 2023

MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: North Springs High School JROTC Drill Team and Color Guard Meet Memorandum of Instruction (MOI) for SY 2023-2024.

1. REFERENCES:

a. Sixth Brigade Memorandum of Instruction (MOI) and Cadet Command Regulation 145-2, Subject: Sixth Brigade State Drill Team and Color Guard Meet Memorandum of Instruction (MOI)

b. TC 3-21.5, Drill and Ceremonies, January 2012

c. Army Regulation 840-10, dated July 2020

2. PURPOSE:

a. To establish responsibilities for the conduct of the North Springs High School JROTC Drill Team and Color Guard Meet for SY 2023 - 2024.

b. To establish procedures for the conduct of the meet.

3. OBJECTIVES:

a. To assist participating teams in the preparation for and conduct of the North Springs High School Drill Competition.

b. To judge participating teams and designate the Drill Meet winners in specific events. Streamers will be awarded for top 3 places.

4. CONCEPT AND POLICY:

a. The North Springs High School Drill Meet will take place on February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023, beginning 0900 hours, at **North Springs High School**. The drill events will be conducted on the Football field (weather permitting) or Main and Auxiliary Gyms. Operations for the events will function/operate out of the North Springs Charter JROTC classroom F018.

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b. There will be no opening ceremony; however, teams will remain in the North Springs High School Area throughout its entirety and completion of closing ceremony.

c. The uniform for this event is: ASU's for the cadets. Name plates, awards, low quarter shoes and authorized berets must be worn during all competition events. Color Guard may wear white, green or black belts and harnesses.

d. Unauthorized Clothing items for cadets: Cadets will not wear wrist/sweat bands of any type or color, colored shoe laces (other than black), masks/blinds, multi-colored gloves, dark blue (almost black) berets, green, maroon, or the tan colored berets. Schools will be given three (3) minutes to take corrective action prior to moving on to the field or may be penalized up to and including disqualification. Personal items such as watches, bracelets, ear rings as allowed by regulation may be worn by individuals (No male earrings). Hair styles will be in compliance with CCR 145-2, para 10-6. Scrunches of black or neutral color may be used to secure the hair of female cadets.

e. A drill platoon will consist of at least 13 and no more than 22 cadets, including the commander, **(aligned in three squads)**. A drill squad will consist of at least seven but no more than 11 cadets, including the commander. The Color Guard team will consist of four cadets. The Color Guard will carry the U.S. flag and either the Georgia or JROTC flag. The flag staffs for male/mix Color Guard teams will be the standard 9.5 or 8foot Army issued wooden staffs. The female teams may use the aluminum staffs that are 8 feet or nine and one-half feet in length.

f. Judges will conduct a walk through or walk around inspection of cadets. If a cadet is not in compliance with Cadet Command Regulation 145-2 paragraph 10-6 Personal Appearance, the coach will be asked to replace him or her. If this is not possible, the team will be disqualified. Cadets competing in individual/dual events will be disqualified if they are not in compliance with the appearance standards stated in the above regulation and the guidance provided in the State Drill Meet MOI. Uniform and Equipment standards outlined in the State Drill Meet/Area Three Drill Meet will be adhered to.

g. Competition event categories will be:

## CATEGORY 1

1. Male Unarmed Squad
2. Female Unarmed Squad
3. Male Armed Squad
4. Female Armed Squad
5. Male Color Guard
6. Female Color Guard
- 7 Male Unarmed Platoon
- 8.Female Unarmed Platoon
- 9.Male Armed Platoon
10. Female Armed Platoon
11. Individual Exhibition
- 12 Squad Exhibition

Knockout Drill Unarmed Regulation - 50.00 Gift Card to winner

Eligibility: **A cadet may only compete in one category in like events.** Female cadets may participate in either Male/Mix drill events or Female drill events, but she may not compete in both. Female cadets may compete in Female drill and Male/Mix Color Guard. She cannot compete in both Male/Mix Color Guard and Female Color Guard. Only current active cadets will be allowed to compete at the State and Area qualifying meets. Current and active cadets are cadets that are enrolled as a cadet during current school year.

h. Cadets may compete in Knockout (Unarmed) Drill. Knockout drill will be open to all cadets at the meet at a cost of \$1.00. Tickets may be purchased at the concessions stand or in the JROTC operations center of North Springs High School and collected prior to the start of knockout competitions. Cadet must have a ticket to participate. The winning Cadet will receive a 50.00 gift card and a challenge coin.

i. Drill team and Color Guard commanders will be required to memorize drill sequences. Note cards are not authorized. ONLY COMMANDER SALUTES DOESN'T APPLY TO COLOR GUARD.

j. The sequence of commands will be the same as those outlined in Sixth Brigade MOI.

k. Authorized rifles for Male/Mix categories will be unmodified rifles or chrome or nickel-plated standard weight rifles. NO FACSIMILE RIFLES WILL BE USED IN THE MALE/MIX CATEGORIES. Facsimile or modified standard rifles are authorized to be used in the events in both the Area and the Georgia State Drill Meet. All members of a team **MUST** use the same type of rifle. Judges will visually/physically inspect rifles in the ready area prior to a team competing to confirm that they are similar in weight.

l. Judges for the meet will be Recruiters in and around Atlanta Georgia.

m. Streamers will be awarded to the top three finishers in each event for team competitions. A 50.00 gift card and a challenge will be awarded to the first-place finisher in Knockout (Unarmed) competition.

n. All participating schools are responsible for providing a fee. The total cost per school is **\$100.00, regardless of how many categories you compete in, you can bring check or cash with you. If your payment is being mailed please have it in to NSHS NLT February 15th, 2024. (Make your check payable to North Springs High School, Address: 7447 Roswell Road, Atlanta Ga 30328)**

o. **The concession stand will be selling items for your convenience.**

**Protests and Appeals:** Should any protest, discrepancy in scoring, dispute or appeal of a judge's scoring or any other similar circumstance arise, it will be the responsibility of the MAJOR Powers / SGM Dotson to decide on the question. No further appeal is available.

2. The point of contact is MAJ Todd Powers, 470.955.9868 or [powerst@fultonschools.org](mailto:powerst@fultonschools.org) or SGM Dotson, 703.203.1824.

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