

# Academic Letter Requirements



- The purpose of NJROTC is to instill in cadets the value of citizenship, service to the United States and to their community, personal responsibility, and a sense of accomplishment. York County NJROTC programs will use three areas that provide measurable results for these important goals. These areas will be used to establish the cadets as eligible for earning a letter. However, awarding of letters will be competitive based on participation within the unit, school, and community.
- - The three thresholds discussed below to make the cadets "letter eligible." The Senior Naval Science Instructors will rank them (within their own programs), then award outstanding cadets a letter.
- NJROTC Participation: Earn two cords in a given academic year and/or maintain active membership participation on two teams in which cadets earned cords earned in prior years.
- Community/Unit Service: Continued outstanding support of community/unit service within the NJROTC unit throughout the school year. Completion of a minimum of 50 hours of Community Service, in accordance with the YCSD Strategic Plan, during the school year.
- Academic performance: Must meet the minimum Virginia High School League (VHSL) requirement for participation in letter programs and continue sustained academic excellence in the Naval Science program for the school year.

# Aiguillette Requirements



- Cadets who have actively participated as a team member in practice and meets/events may earn the cord for that particular team; generally, the cord colors match the ribbons. Only one cord can be worn on the left shoulder IAW the CFM.
  - Drill Team: Maroon & Gold. Awarded to a cadet who has participated in any combination of three NS-1 or Varsity Drill Meets.
  - Color Guard: White & Royal. Awarded to a cadet who has participated in two drill meets and two community service events as the color guard.
  - Academic Team: Orange & Gray. Awarded to any cadet who participates in three academic competitions and the National Academic Exam given in March each year.
  - Rifle Team: Green & Gold. Awarded to any cadet who has qualified in marksmanship and participates in three postal or shoulder-to-shoulder matches.
- Orienteering Team: Orange & White. Awarded to any cadet who has participated in three orienteering meets or events, as designated by the SNSI.
- Active Membership: Active means cadets are in good standing and regularly attend team practices. After cadets have been awarded a cord, if they subsequently miss team practices, they may have their “cord privileges” suspended by the S/NSI. Cadets who are not in good standing or continue to miss practice may have the “cord privileges” suspended indefinitely and must turn-in the aiguillette.