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Welcome to Phillis Wheatley High School 16th Battalion "WILDCATS" AJROTC (ARMY Junior Officers Training Corps) page.

A little information about the Program at Phillis Wheatley High School is as follows:

- Our vision is to develop cadet leadership potential, while living and working cooperatively with others.
- Our vision is to encourage cadets to appreciate the ethical values and principles that underlie good citizenship.
- Our vision is to train cadets to think logically and to communicate effectively with others, both orally and in writing.
- Our vision is to help cadets appreciate the importance of physical fitness in maintaining good health.
- Our vision is to help cadets understand the importance of high school graduation for a successful future and learn about college and other advanced educational and employment opportunities.
- Our vision is to develop cadets' mental management abilities.
- Our vision is to familiarize cadets with military history as it relates to America's culture, and understand the history, purpose, and structure of military services.
- Our vision is to develop cadet skills necessary to work effectively as a member of a team.

Our program looks to build our Cadets capacity for lifelong learning. Communicate using verbal, non-verbal, visual, and written techniques. Take responsibility for their actions and choices. Cadets will enter a military environment in which self-discipline, leadership development and personal responsibility are emphasized; reinforced with military drill and physical fitness training. Cadets are required to wear a US ARMY supplied uniform to school once a week and on special occasions. Uniform wearing is 30% of their grade.

There is NO commitment to future military service attached to membership in the AJROTC program.

Cadets participate in a myriad of co-curricular activities to demonstrate their attainment of lesson outcomes. Some of these activities include precision and exhibition military drill competitions, air rifle competitions (optional), Raider Challenge competitions, JROTC Leadership and Academic Bowl (JLAB), Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) Camp, and a physical fitness competition known as JROTC Cadet Leadership Challenge (JCLC). Cadets who complete 4 years of JROTC co-curricular activities and its challenging curriculum will be more college and/or career ready. We believe there is no better citizenship program in public high schools today and we are proud to be part of Phillis Wheatley's and Houston ISD's AJROTC.

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Questions about any part of our program can be directed to us at (713) 671-3900 or to **baron.claytor@houstonisd.org**.

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