

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY DIRECTOR OF ARMY INSTRUCTION HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY SCHOOLS



SUBJECT: Area 9 JROTC Cadet Leadership Challenge (JCLC)

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Thank you for permitting your son or daughter to take part in what will prove to be one of the most exciting and rewarding experiences of his or her life. The primary purpose of JCLC is to provide Cadets with challenging and practical learning experiences while developing positive leadership skills in a safe environment.

JCLC also builds individual self-confidence and discipline through hands-on adventure type training. The adventure type training includes water survival where Cadets learn various means of surviving in a water environment under the close supervision of several certified instructors and life guards. The cadets always have on life vests as they learn skills such as how to make life saving flotation devices and techniques to get a canoe that has turned over in the water back into the normal floating position.

Additionally, Cadets will be given the opportunity to participate in training that includes climbing a "rock wall" and rappelling from a specially designed rappelling structure. They also participate on the high ropes Challenging Outdoor Personal Experience (C.O.P.E.) Course. Attached to this letter is information about how the training is conducted on the C.O.P.E. Course.

Cadets are encouraged, but never forced to participate in the various adventure training events. Safety is always our primary concern and all training is conducted by experienced and certified JROTC and Boy Scout Camp instructors. Cadets will always be closely monitored and use safety equipment to limit any risks.

We need your approval to allow your son or daughter to participate in the adventure training events. Please indicate at the bottom of this letter the events that have your approval. Sign where indicated and have your son or daughter return the letter.

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COL (Ret.) Ronald L. Tucker Director of Army Instruction				
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Rock Wall Climbing and Rappelling	Yes	No		
Water Survival	Yes	No		
C.O.P.E. Course	Yes	<u> </u>		
Print name of Cadet				
Print name of Parent/Guardian				
Signature of Parent/Guardian			Date	