

Hollywood Hills High School Military Academy FAQ's

QUESTION	ANSWER
Is there a limit to the number of students being accepted into Hollywood Hills High School Military Academy ?	Currently, the first year limit is 400 9 th Grade students.
Is there a cut-off/deadline date for Academy applications?	Space is filled on a first-come, first-serve basis for qualified students. Please contact Magnet Coordinator Mr. Winfred Porter at (754) 323-1050 for application information. Applications will be accepted until capacity is reached.
Can I come and visit the school (with my child) outside of the scheduled open house dates?	Please contact Hollywood Hills High School Magnet Coordinator Mr. Winfred Porter to set up an appointment to tour the school.
What are the school hours for academy students?	Regular School hours: 7:30AM-2:50PM After School hours: 2:50PM-4:30PM for special team practice and academic assistance.
What after-school programs are available for Academy students?	Academy students are eligible for all varsity sports teams and academic clubs of the host school. Additionally, there is a full menu of JROTC co and extracurricular activities. To name a few, Air Rifle Marksmanship, Drill Team, Color Guard Team, and Raider Challenge team.
What military oriented classes will my student attend?	All academy students will be enrolled in daily JROTC classes for the duration of their attendance at the academy. A military/discipline climate will be applied to all classes in the academy. This fosters the self-disciplined learning environment of the school. Please note that no tactical or other classes dealing with war fighting are taught. The academy is focused on citizenship.
Will my student wear uniforms?	Yes. There will be a daily uniform requirement. Most of the required uniform items will be issued by the US Army JROTC. There will be requirements for the student to provide specific items (T-shirts, PE clothing, etc.) Students' personal hygiene and appearance are inspected daily upon arrival.
Will Academy students be eligible for all field trips?	Yes. Students will be eligible for field trips and co-curricular and extracurricular activities as long as they maintain a 2.2 GPA.
How will transportation be handled?	Transportation will be provided to those student cadets who reside south of Sunrise Blvd. Any student that lives north of Sunrise Blvd must provide their own transportation. There will be no exceptions for transportation for students living north of Sunrise Blvd.

What does the academy curriculum look like?	The academy will offer a college preparatory curriculum that will be more challenging than that normally experienced by most high school students. For instance, challenging languages focused on preparation for a widely expanding world will be required.
What foreign languages will the academy offer this school year?	The academy is currently scheduled to offer Arabic and Chinese for the first year. It is planned to offer additional languages starting the second year.
Does my student have any military obligation for attending the academy?	Absolutely no military obligation results from academy attendance. The mission of the academy includes building post secondary ready citizens, not soldiers
Can parents be involved?	Yes. Parents are required to serve 15 volunteer hours in support of their student's attendance at the academy. Studies indicate that when parents are involved in the school their student performs better.
How does my student apply?	Applications will be available shortly. The application period for School Year 2012 – 2013 will run from 2 May through 7 June. If all student slots are not filled during that period then application and registration will continue until the allotted levels of students (400 9 th grade students) is achieved. Additional information may be obtained by calling 754-321-1881.
Will my student be involved in community service?	Yes. Each academy student will be required to earn 100 community service hours for graduation. Service learning is an integral part of the JROTC curriculum.
I'm concerned that military recruiters will have free access to my student?	Military recruiters will not have free access to any student in the academy. Recruiters will be required to live by the rules that are established by the Principal of Hollywood Hills High School as well as rules imposed by the academy leadership.
Will there be informational meetings or interviews regarding the academy?	Yes. There will be informational meetings scheduled for all applicants. At these meetings academy rules and general information will be discussed. Additionally, each student and his/her parents /guardian will be interviewed to insure that the rules of the academy are understood. Both parents and students will be required to sign contracts identifying that they understand and will abide by academy rules.
Are there special requirements for attending the Academy?	Yes. Students must have a 2.0 Grade Point Average and have scored a 3 or higher on the most recent reading and math FCAT. Parents and students will be required to sign an admissions contract that details specific requirements. Among these are uniform, grooming, attendance, and grade point average standards; community service participation requirements; admissions committee interview; and others. Parents and students are encouraged to read all admission packet materials carefully.

<p>What is expected of my student as an academy student cadet?</p>	<p>Student cadets are expected to maintain the highest ethical and moral standards at all times. Conduct is based upon the precept that a Cadet does not lie, cheat or steal, or tolerate those who do. A cadet's word is their bond, and their integrity is above reproach. Additionally, student cadets must live by all rules as identified by the academy staff.</p>
<p>When does school start for the academy?</p>	<p>The actual start of classes is the same as for all other Broward County High Schools, 20 August. However, first year academy students must report on 13 August for Cadet Basic Training. This training period will run from Monday 13 August through Friday 17 August. Students will receive an academy indoctrination, uniforms and equipment; learn the basics of academy life, and their first lessons in marching. The week will finish with a short military parade on Saturday for parents, family, friends, and school administrators. The first day of classes will be Monday 20 August and will be the students first uniform day.</p>
<p>Must students wear a uniform?</p>	<p>Yes. The academy will be a uniformed institution and as such all students will wear a prescribed uniform every day. Uniforms will be provided by both the school as well as US Army JROTC.</p>
<p>What personal appearance standards are in effect for students?</p>	<p>Students must maintain a neat and well-groomed appearance. Many hairstyles are acceptable as long as they are maintained neat and conservative. Additional information can be obtained from academy personnel.</p>

