



ROYAL HIGH SCHOOL

MARINE CORPS JROTC

34499 Royal Road, Brookshire, TX 77423



WELCOME ABOARD

Welcome to Royal's Marine Corps JROTC Character and Leadership Development Program! I am a retired member of the United States Marine Corps. I am not a recruiter, but rather I'm your Marine Corps JROTC instructor. My focus of effort is to develop those character and leadership traits most sought after by teachers, employers, colleges, and universities. Our program of instruction is demanding, yet rewarding. We challenge our cadets to perform at their peak at all times... not just when they are in our classrooms or in uniform, but daily!

Not all students can participate in our Character and Leadership Development Program. Acceptance into Royal's Marine Corps JROTC program is a direct reflection of a student's desire to excel and perform to their maximum capability. In this program, you are now a member of a prestigious group of students and must understand that your actions reflect upon the entire cadre. As such, we demand that the cadet shape their behavior so as to always present a positive reflection of their unit, parents, our school, fellow cadets, and their selves. It won't be easy! But, in time you will develop the self-discipline, character, and leadership that will help you to make better decisions as you mature as a student and young adult.

Cadets in our program will have an opportunity to participate in a number of competitive team events, community service, and field trips. We encourage our cadets to take full advantage of these opportunities! Royal cadets are amongst the best and brightest students in our community. We are a team first and foremost and live by our one of our mottos of "One Team, One Fight".

The JROTC classes are the first of a four-course sequence as an elective to meet graduation requirements. Marine Corps JROTC is at its essence a Leadership Education Program meant solely to develop character and citizenship. The Marine Corps JROTC program has been viewed as a strong program that provides youth with much needed skills in citizenship and leadership.

Additionally, students who participate in our JROTC program have better attendance, grades, and graduation rates. Just a few qualities to mention are **Motivate** students to learn, **Foster** a disciplined and constructive learning environment, and **Instill** essential skills like time organization, responsibility, goal setting, and teamwork.

Often young adults receive conflicting messages about right and wrong or good and bad. Joining and participating in Marine Corps JROTC can help them make the best decisions based upon learning and practicing core values (Honor, Courage, & Commitment) and the development of character and personal responsibility. Marine Corps JROTC is not the easiest path and it is not for everyone. Yet for those who have chosen to participate, it is an experience that has helped tens of thousands of young adults make the right decisions during their high school experience.

EVENTS & JROTC TEAMS

Drill (color guard), Academic, Physical Training, and Marksmanship Drill Meets

- ▶ **Color Guard for all Royal High School Football HOME games**
- ▶ **7 SEP – E-STEM ACADEMY, Houston, TX “Mock Drill” (Marine JROTC)**
- ▶ **1 OCT – Color Guard Mayor of Brookshire and Patterson, TX**
- ▶ **19 OCT – Ponchatoula High School, Ponchatoula, LA (Marine JROTC)**
- ▶ **7 NOV – Marine Corps B-Day Cake Cutting Ceremony**
- ▶ **9 NOV – Marine Corps Birthday Ball, Houston, TX (Missouri City, TX)**
- ▶ **11 NOV – Veterans Day Color Guard, Houston, TX**
- ▶ **7 DEC – Brenham High School, Brenham, TX (Marine JROTC)**
- ▶ **18 JAN – Hays High School, Buda, TX (Marine JROTC)**
- ▶ **20 JAN – MLK Parade, Houston, TX**
- ▶ **25 JAN – Dayton High School, Dayton, TX (Marine JROTC)**
- ▶ **8 FEB – Tomball High School, Tomball, TX (Marine JROTC)**
- ▶ **15 FEB - Pasadena High School, Pasadena, TX (Marine JROTC)**

- ▶ **28-29 FEB – “REGIONALS” Shreveport, LA**

- ▶ **MAR- Adopt A Highway cleanup**
- ▶ **MAR- Livestock Show**
- ▶ **21 MAR – Prairie View University Orienteering Meet**
- ▶ **28 MAR – Alvin High School, Alvin, TX (PT MEET ONLY)**
- ▶ **3 to 4 APR – Caprock High School, Amarillo, TX (Marine JROTC)**

- ▶ **APR ??? – “NATIONALS” Daytona, FL**

- ▶ **21 MAY – Color Guard and Escorts for Royal High School Graduation**
- ▶ **We will perform numerous community service events as escorts, color guards, feed the hungry (MCJROTC can good drive), Adopt a Highway, Toys R 4 Kids (MCJROTC toy drive we sponsor), and personally requested continuously as a color guard and escorts for Mayor Turner and Congresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee**

Senior of Marine Corps JROTC Bio:

I am extremely excited to be a member of the Marine Corps Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps (JROTC) at Royal High School. This is my 12th year of teaching Marine Corps JROTC in high school with the last five at E-STEM, MCJROTC, Houston ISD.

I am a retired Marine Corps First Sergeant, serving 23 years and 9 months active duty in the Marine Corps. I have served in combat (Company First Sergeant, Combat Logistical Convoys) and as a drill instructor twice; one tour at Parris Island, SC and the other tour at Quantico, VA training college graduates to become United States Marine Corps Officers. I have a Bachelor of Arts degree in Criminology from Saint Leo University.

I am truly excited to be here and welcome parent involvement and communication at all times.

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L. Bland
First Sergeant, USMC Ret.
Senior Marine Instructor



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CADETS ARE ALWAYS TAUGHT TO WORK TOGETHER AS A TEAM



**OUR MOTO IS ALWAYS ACCOUNTABILITY, CONGRATULATE,
REWARD, & PRAISE**



A Future Motivated Cadet and First Sergeant Bland