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**Subject:** SUSP: 8 Feb 20; SY19-20; JROTC Essay Contest; to Pratt  
**Attachments:** 8th Bde\_Essay Contest Rubric SY19-20.xlsx  
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ALL JROTC Programs,

The annual essay contest is a mandatory event; all Programs must submit their best essay (Independent Schools submit "only one" essay to Bde; Schools under a DAI Office, submit to the DAI office.) to compete in the competition.

Essays will be scored using the attached rubric (scores given in 0.25 increments, in order to provide separation within the scoring).

Essay Theme: "Live Your Life with Integrity, Lose with Dignity, Win with

## Humility"

### Requirements:

All JROTC Programs.

1. Assign the JROTC Essay as an assignment to your JROTC Cadets (LET 1 - 3).

2. Use the scoring rubric to determine the best essay.

3. Submit one essay per Program.

3a. Independent JROTC programs - Submit one essay to Mark Pratt prior to COB 8 Feb 20.

3b. DAI Programs - Submit one essay to your DAI office per their suspense.

### DAI Offices.

1. Submit one essay for every six JROTC program to Mark Pratt by COB 8 Feb 20. (i.e. AS and CNMI = 1 / WCSO and SDUSD = 2 / HMSU and LAUSD = 3)

### Additional Information:

For SY19-20, portions of the JROTC Essay Contest will be incorporated into the JROTC Leadership and Academic Bowl (JLAB) 2020. Out of the possible thousands of essays submitted by Cadets, JROTC Directorate will select the top three essays as the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place national winners. The national winners will win an all-expense paid roundtrip to JLAB 2020 at The Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C on 20-22 June 2020.

All Cadets enrolled in JROTC are encouraged to participate in the essay contest. Cadet's essay will be their own work.

The length of the essays will be 2-3 pages, excluding cover page. Pages within the essay, including cover page, must adhere to the following:

(1) Essay Theme: "Live Your Life with Integrity, Lose with Dignity, Win with Humility"

\*\* See rubric for scoring and content.\*\*

(2) (U) Layout:

(a) (U) Font Type: Times New Roman

(b) (U) Font size: 12.

(c) (U) Spacing: Double.

(d) (U) Margins: 1 inch on all sides.

(3) (U) Cover page will identify Cadet's:

(a) (U) First and last name.

- (b) (U) Home address (street, city, state, and zip code)
  - (c) (U) LET number
  - (d) (U) High school name
  - (e) (U) High school address (street, city, state, and zip code)
  - (f) (U) SAI or AI name, phone number, and email address.
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Brigade will submit the top two Essays to USACC to compete at the national level.

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