



Agenda Request Form

Meeting Date	Agenda Item Number
April 21, 2022	A-7

Title
Recognition of Etowah High School Air Force Junior ROTC Program for Earning an Overall Unit Assessment Score of Exceeds Standards

Requested Action
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Summary Explanation and Background

The Etowah High School Air Force Junior ROTC program recently earned an overall unit assessment score of Exceeds Standards, the highest rating available. Only one time prior in its 27-year history has Etowah's JROTC earned this elite score, which ranks the program in the top 12% worldwide.

Units are assessed every few years by a national inspector, who reviews all aspects of the program. The Etowah program is headed by lead instructor, Lt. Col. (Retired) Stephen Bergey, and Technical Sgt. (Retired) Ciarra Malto.

Etowah HS student JROTC leaders include Corps Commander Logan Haverkos; Deputy Corps Commander Ethan Mauriello; Alpha Squadron Commander Zachary Mauriello; Bravo Squadron Commander Kayla Thacker; and Charlie Squadron Commander Avery Cook.

Military Junior ROTC citizenship, leadership and service programs are offered at all CCSD high schools. These classes and their associated extra-curricular programs offer students valuable career and life skills, whether they plan to enlist for military service, pursue a college degree, enter the workforce or a blend of these options.

In addition to the honor of the highest assessment score, the accomplishment gives the program the opportunity to retain Honor Unit status for three years and to nominate five students a year for appointment consideration at the U.S. Air Force Academy.

Priority Area
Student Achievement: Access and Opportunity

Financial Impact
N/A

Exhibits: (List)
N/A

Source of Additional Information

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