A NATION IS BUILT

This first semester of 2018, we had accomplished a lot of events, such as ceremonies, community service, parades, drill competition and even field trips by conducting ourselves in a professional manner. I am proud to say I'm a cadet in the AFJROTC program at Eastern Wayne High school, even though we don't always see eye to eye on some situations, but that's what makes us a family. When this semester ends, we should reminisce on all of the memories we had in AFJROTC the good and bad. I say this because the bad times make us a better person. This news article "A Nation is Built" will be a recaps on all our important accomplishments we achieved together.



Group Commander's Wise words

Hey guy! Hope everyone's break went well!! This semester was very successful, and you all have been doing great work. I love seeing everyone activatly participating in fundraisers events and parties! So keep it up. I look forward to seeing new people step up this next semester and all the continuum accomplishments. And remember our goals!! - C/Col Michalek

The Good Times

As you may know, everything we do will reflects on us. Our Drill competitions, ceremony and other important events did reflect on us and it showed that we know how to conduct ourselves and look good at the same time!

Purple Heart Ceremony

On August 3rd, 2018, our first important event was the Purple Heart Ceremony. This ceremony recognized the people that were wounded during combat. Those people were awarded with a Purple Heart medal, for their bravery and having an impact on people's life. As you may know, two cadets from the Saber Team showed up for the Purple Heart Ceremony too and yes they did great!

Naval Station Norfolk

On October 19th, 2018, A total of 47 cadets went to Norfolk, Virginia to visit Naval Station Norfolk. On this field trip, Cadets were shown a lot of interesting stuff and heard a lot about different jobs on the ships and the importance of doing your job correctly. The trip opened up some of the cadet's eyes on if the Navy fits them best or if they even wanna go in the military. I believe this field trip was a good experience for all the cadets that went including myself and plus we had a good time!



Field trip: Three star general!

On October 25th, 2018, some of the cadets went to Southern Wayne High school to see a three star general, Lt. Gen Cotton. Many of the cadets that went to Southern Wayne to meet General Cotton, all felt like they learned something from him and had a good time there. General Cotton encouraged our cadets to stay in school and be successful in anything they do in life. With hard work and dedication, anything is possible.





Drill Competition: 71st High School

"On October 27, 2018, a Drill Competition at 71st High school, consisted of 17 motivated competitors from EWHS AFJROTC and 5 events. The Competition was joint, Consisting of Navy, Army and Air Force JROTC. For a lot of the cadets, it was their first competition. Misconceptions of competing were cleared and it was fun." Cadet Schilling



Veterans Day Assembly

On November 9th, 2018, a total of 22 cadets came to Eastern Wayne High school gym for the Veterans Day Assembly. From my experience, I think the assembly was wonderful. During the assembly two cadets talked in front of the whole school: C/Lt. Col Schilling and C/Col Michalek. They did great! We also had the Color Guard and Saber team perform too. I'm so proud on what we accomplished that day and was glad we honored the Veterans on the school staff.



Veterans Day Parade

On November 10th, 2018 a total of 95 cadets came out and marched to honor all veterans. This parade was a good result on what we do in the classroom every day. I am proud of everybody for coming out and doing what they had to do that day and as a bonus, we won the trophy, yay!! This trophy symbolizes how good we looked and how we conduct ourselves as a whole. All the practice paid off and everyone had a part in the success.



Veterans Day Color Guard and Presentation at church

"On November 11th, 2018, 4 Color Guards cadets went to perform at a church. The performance was interesting. We started off with a smooth presentation of the colors and moved on to the giving of the shadow boxes to veterans. We had to be a little flexible with time and space, but overall we made it through pretty good."

Cadet Manzanares

KC-135 Orientation flight

"On November 16th, 2018, I went on the KC-135 Orientation flight. I loved when we got up and saw the land from the sky, the view was beautiful (in my eyes). The most interesting part on this field trip was when they were giving gas to the F-22s and F-16s. They had to be careful giving gas, but overall I had a great time "Cadet Perez-Rios



Drill Competition: Terry Sanford

"November 17, 2018 was the Terry Sanford Drill Meet, and to say the least, it was a successful meet for NC-804. We competed in 9 events and placed second place in two events being unarmed element regulation and armed element regulation. That brought two trophies to our home unit! In the other seven events, we placed 4th place, just barely out of reach of some more trophies, nonetheless. The experience new cadets received and the fun the team and individuals had while competing cannot be compared to anything. We learn from what we do, and we strive to better ourselves and each other for upcoming events and drill meets. We are determined to win and represent our home unit the best we can! "





CAP Orientation Flight

"On November 25th, 2018 a total of 12 cadets went on a Civil Air Patrol Orientation flight in a small plan. On this field trip cadets got to do a lot of interesting stuff, changing the speed of the plane, changing the pitch (downward and upward) and the cadets also got to control the plane with supervision from the pilot. This field trip gave the cadets a little hands-on, probably their first time." Cadet M. Cruze



SJAFB Field Trip

On November 28th, 2018 a total of 35 cadets, went to Seymour Johnson AFB. This field trip was to inform and show the new cadets Seymour Johnson Air Force Base. Most of the cadets were probably wowed at some of the planes and places. I went on this field trip before and I thought it was a great experience. I'm glad that the new cadets went on this field trip and probably learned something new.



Goldsboro Christmas Parade

On December the 1st 2018, a total of 29 cadets went to downtown Goldsboro to march. There was a lot of excitement going on, but we still kept marching. My experience was very good. I feel like we knew exactly what we were doing and that's a good feeling when you know what you're doing. Overall the parade was great as always! (Maybe next time it wouldn't rain)



Outstanding Flight of the Semester

Congratulations to D Flight for winning the Outstanding Flight of the Semester. Great team effort. Keep up the great work.



Closure

We accomplish 1,230 community service hours this semester. Our goal is 2,500 hours in the school year. I know we would go beyond that number. All the events I mentioned shows a lot. We don't give in so easily and if we do, we know how to get back up. I can't wait to see what we will accomplish in 2019. Keep up the great work!

Cadet Branch