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# DEPARTMENT OF JROTC

## OVERVIEW BRIEFING

**LTC Kim Harrell**  
**Director of JROTC**





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# Organization

**LTC Kim R. Harrell**  
Director of JROTC

**35 Army JROTC Programs**  
**3 Marine JROTC Programs**  
**5 Navy JROTC Programs**  
**2 Air Force JROTC Programs**

**MS. Printrina N. Ferguson**  
Office Administrative  
Assistant

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Personnel &  
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Plans

**1SG Stanley Griffin**  
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Logistics  
(11,000 SQ FT Retail)

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Assistant

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Military  
Property Custodian

**SFC Willie R. Garrett**  
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Assistant

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Store Keeper

**Stephen Brown**  
Military  
Store Keeper





# Mission



To motivate high school students and teach them the value of citizenship, leadership, service to community, personal responsibility and a sense of accomplishment while instilling in them self-esteem, teamwork and self-discipline.





# Academy / JROTC Program Overview

## Types Of Programs

- ✓ Demand has Driven Expansion
  - Enrollment 2001: 7200 Cadets
  - Enrollment 2010: 11,094 Cadets
- ✓ Military Academy High Schools
  - Six
- ✓ Military Academy within a School
  - Three
- ✓ Traditional High School Program
  - Thirty-Six
- ✓ Middle School Cadet Corps
  - Twenty





# Academy / JROTC Program Overview

## The Military Academy High School

- ✓ Unique four-year high school learning experience
- ✓ College-Prep curriculum focus
- ✓ All students enrolled in JROTC
- ✓ Environment of focused learning guided by a team of mentors, teachers and retired military instructors
- ✓ Leadership/discipline/citizenship focused
- ✓ Military uniform for daily wear





# Academy / JROTC Program Overview

## The Military Academy High School

### Enrollment criteria:

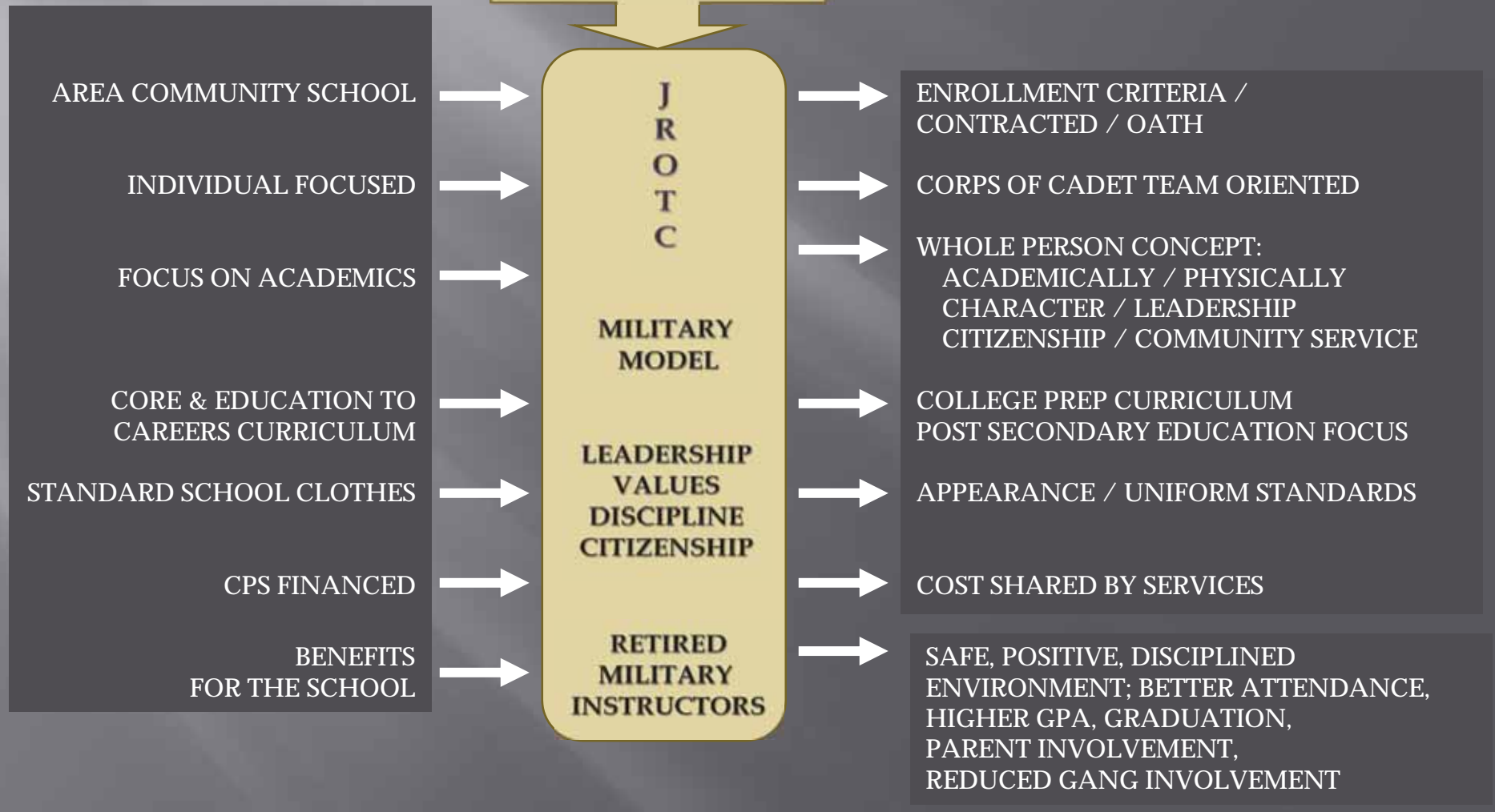
- No selective enrollment exam
- Recommendation from elementary school principal, counselor and teacher
- Student and parents interviewed
- Use standard for grade level on basic skills, reading and math tests (STANINE 5/5)
- Student and parents must sign a contract agreement





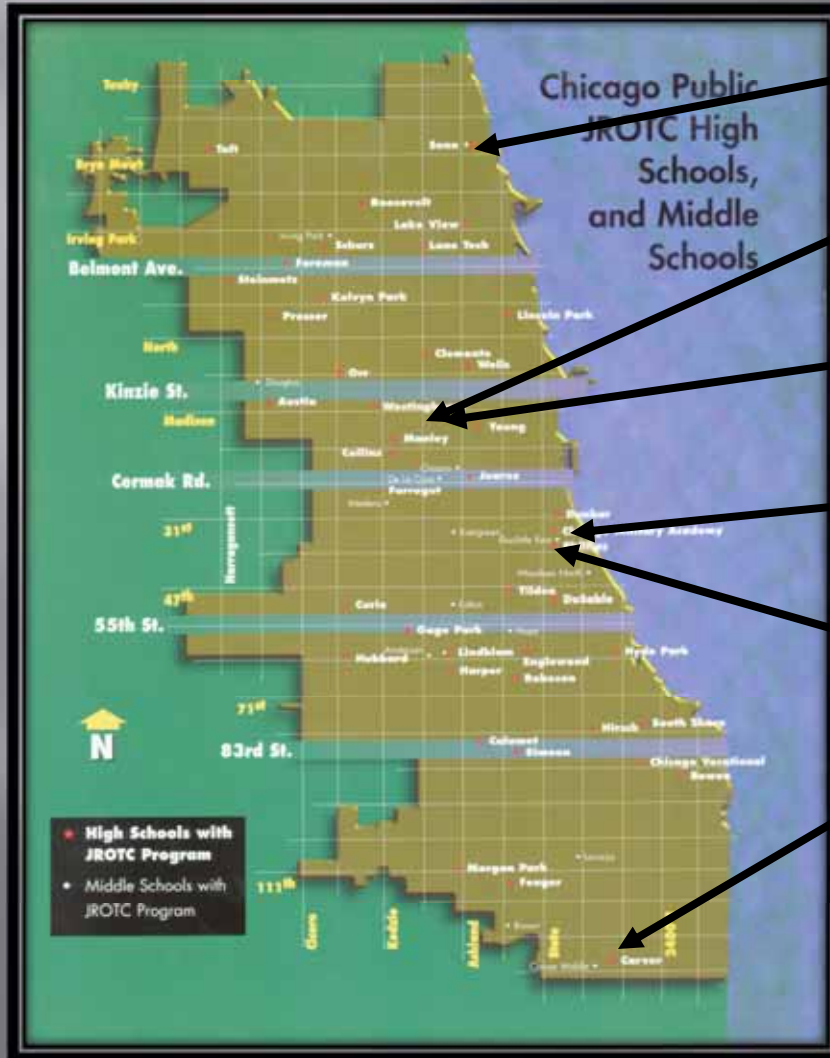
# Academy / JROTC Program Overview

ADDITIVE  
YOUTH DEVELOPMENT





# Academy Locations



Rickover Naval Academy

Phoenix Military Academy

Marine Math & Science Academy

Chicago Military Academy

Air Force Academy

Carver Military Academy





# Academy / JROTC Program Overview

## The Military Academy School within a School

- ✓ Designated area of the school specifically for the academy
- ✓ Cohort programming where cadets take their classes together
- ✓ Designated staff and facility
- ✓ Cadet Handbook
- ✓ Daily uniforms for cadets





# Academy / JROTC Program Overview

## The Traditional JROTC Program

- ✓ Fosters a disciplined and structured learning atmosphere
- ✓ Focus is on leadership, character development, citizenship and community service
- ✓ Motivates students to learn through building self-confidence and self-esteem
- ✓ Attend JROTC Class daily and wear uniforms once each week





# Academy / JROTC Program Overview

## The Middle School Cadet Corps Program

### CPS After School Program:

- 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade student enrollment
- Leadership based curriculum
- Mentored by JROTC instructor
- Middle School Cadet Corps Competitions
  - ❑ Citywide - Drill, Color Guard and Sports Challenge
- Citywide Cadet Awards & Recognition Program





# Academy / JROTC Program Overview

## Program includes:

- Classroom academic studies
- Team building / leadership
- Competitions
- Field trips, summer camp and leadership camp training
- Service Learning
- Scholarships

## Benefits for the school:

- Higher academic achievement
- Updated / current curriculum
- Reduced gang involvement
- Decreased discipline problems
- Increased parental involvement
- Higher PSE attendance

## Benefits for community:

- Helps at risk youth
- Better prepared citizens
- Attractive potential work force
- Participation in community service / volunteerism

## Benefits for students:

- Increased self-esteem
- Increased scholarship opportunities
- Develop leadership
- Field trips, leadership camp, summer camp, competitions
- Advanced enlistment rank
- Advanced SROTC placement



# Award Winning Curriculum

JROTC: A Leadership and Character Development Program

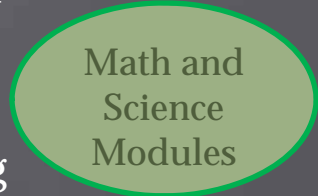
## Foundations of Success

- Communications
- Brain Structure and Function
- Learning Styles
- Becoming an Active Learner



## Citizenship and American History

- Character Development
- Government
- Study Skills
- Career Planning
- Financial Planning

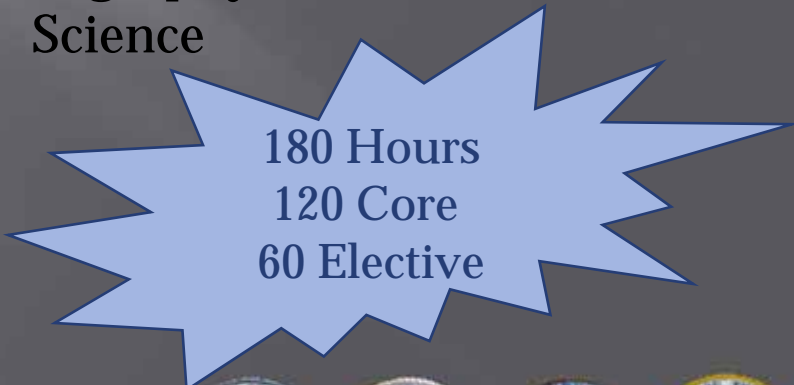


## Leadership Theory and Application

- Self Esteem/Goal Setting
- Ethics/Values
- Personal and Social Responsibility
- Conflict Resolution
- Sexual Harassment Management Skills



## Geography and Earth Science



## Wellness, Fitness, and First Aid

- Substance Abuse





# 21<sup>st</sup> Century Vision & Design

## Learning Model



- ✓ Student-centered
- ✓ Meaningful interaction with instructional materials, peers, and instructors
- ✓ Hands-on experience (action learning)
- ✓ Sequential & progressive 4yr course design

## Academic Rigor



- ✓ curriculum designed and developed by experienced educators up to the doctorate level
- ✓ challenge cadets to analyze, plan, manage, write, speak, reflect, and improve

## Leveraged Technology



- ✓ interactive multimedia, games, and simulations
- ✓ web-based portals to support a geographically dispersed organization

## Leadership/Citizenship Development Model



- ✓ Formal and informal mechanisms to maximize individual potential. For example:
  - Team Competitions; Unit Leadership Roles & Responsibilities; Service Learning; Peer Mentorship; Freshman Mentorship Program





# Other Curriculum Attributes

## JROTC Core Abilities

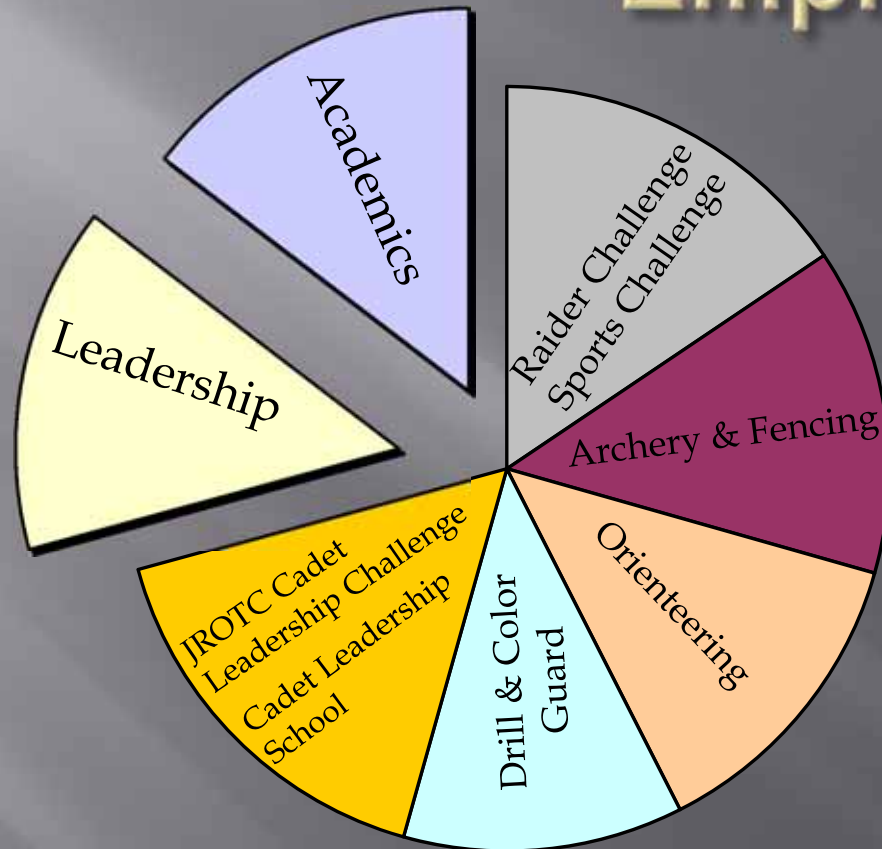
**Life-long success skills infused throughout the JROTC program**

- 1) Build your capacity for life-long learning
- 2) Communicate using verbal, non-verbal, visual, and written techniques
- 3) Take responsibility for your actions and choices
- 4) Do your share as a good citizen in your school, community, country, and the world
- 5) Treat self and others with respect
- 6) Apply critical thinking techniques





# JROTC Competition Emphasis



Three competitions have been added to the JROTC Program to emphasize 21st Century Learning through high quality standardized testing:

Leadership: **City Corps Staff Competition**

Academics: **The Academic Bowl (AB)**

& **CPS Academic Decathlon**





# Motivating Young Americans

## JROTC Cadet Leadership Challenge

### Integrated Courses

- Physical Fitness
- Leadership
- Drill and Ceremonies
- Personal Hygiene and Field Sanitation

### Core Curriculum

- Rappelling
- Leadership Reaction Course (LRC)
- Map Reading and Land Navigation
- Water Survival
- Awards/Graduation Ceremonies



### Optional Events

- Water Rafting
- Static Displays
- Intramural Sports
- Math and Science

**“To be the best version of themselves that they can be.”**



# Cadet Command & Staff Leadership School

## OBJECTIVES

Develop Leadership and Staff skills  
Build self-esteem  
Have fun



## FOCUS ON:

Leadership development

- Problem-solving
- Planning
- Teamwork
- Organizational skills



# City Corps Staff Commissioning Ceremony





# Citywide Military Ball





# Citywide Drill Competition





# Orienteering





# Archery





# Fencing





# JROTC & Middle School Sports Challenge





# Middle School Drill & Color Guard Competition





# Other Co-Curricular Activities



Drum & Bugle Corps

Individual Drill

Exhibition Drill

Color Guard





# City Parades



Memorial Day Parade





# Field Trips

**Naval Station, Norfolk**



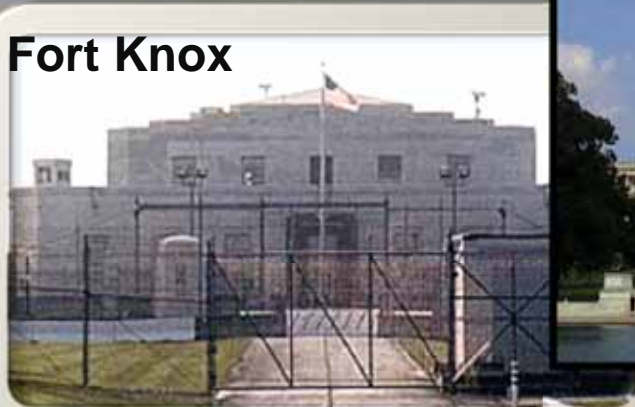
**Army / Navy Game**



**Gettysburg**



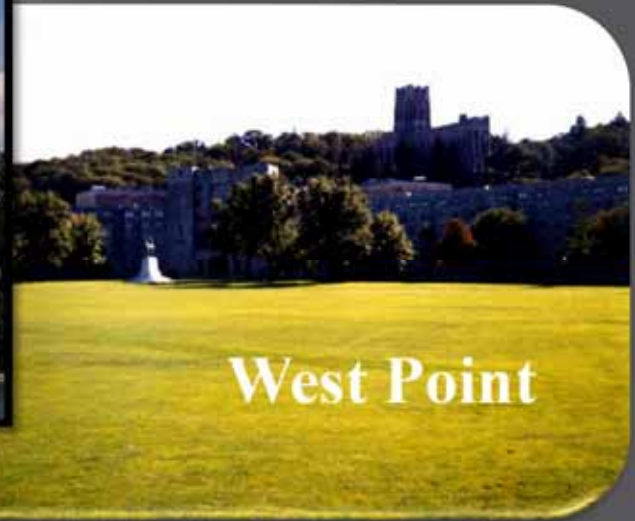
**Fort Knox**



**Washington DC**



**West Point**



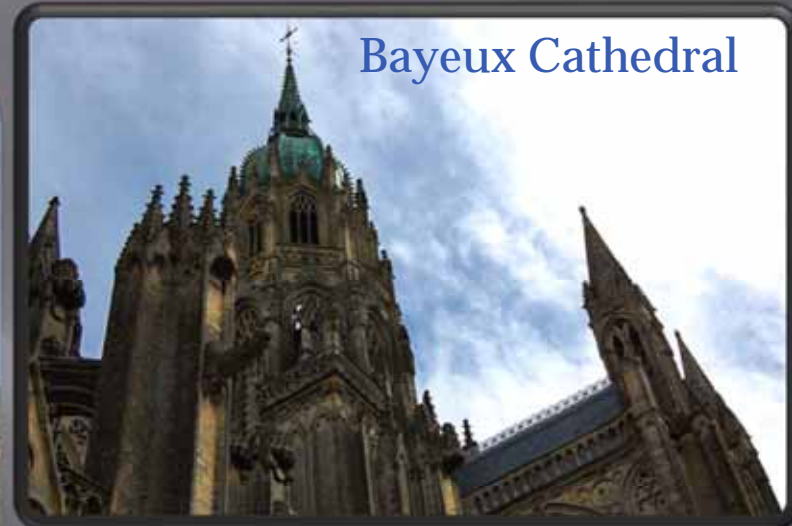


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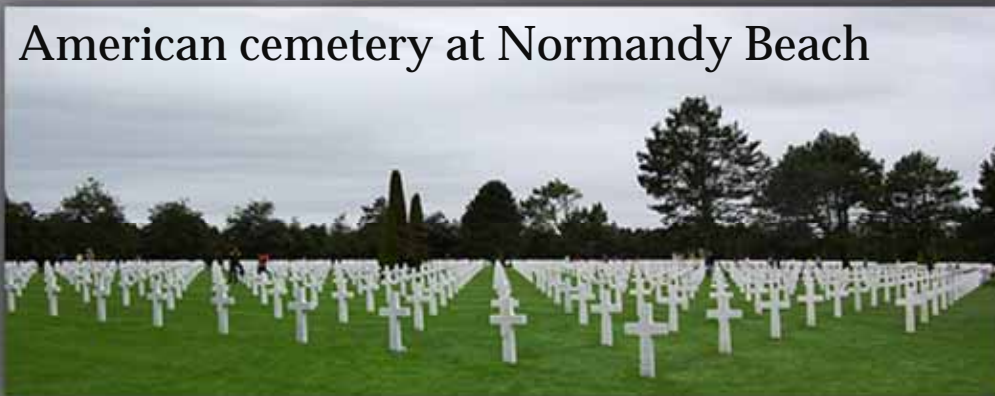
German bunker at Normandy Beach



Bayeux Cathedral



American cemetery at Normandy Beach



Memorial at American Cemetery





# Field Trips

Anzio Beach, Anzio, Italy



Beach Head War Cemetery



Beach Head War Cemetery



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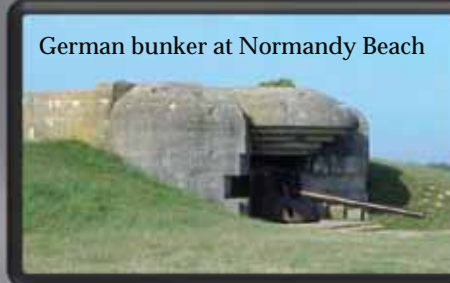


# Department of JROTC Partners: The Tawani Foundation & The McCormick Foundation

*“Providing for Students through Business Partnerships”*



German bunker at Normandy Beach



Anzio Beach, Anzio, Italy



## Business Partners

- ✓ Provide additional dollars to invest in student educational experiences
  - \$184,000.00
- ✓ Trophies for competitions
- ✓ Field trips, both stateside and abroad
- ✓ Food Service for cadet ceremonies and instructor PD
- ✓ Facility use for events



# Conclusion

**Chicago Public Schools and the Department of JROTC is on the leading edge of the utilization of JROTC in Urban Education and Student Academic Achievement through Military Academies, Military Academies within a School, Traditional JROTC Programs, Middle School Cadet Corps Programs, and Corporate / Foundation Partnerships for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.**

