

Revised JROTC Credential Requirements

Listed below are newly adopted specific criteria a student must meet to earn a credential in JROTC. These include all four service credentials (Army, Marine, Navy, Air Force) in the “Government & Public Administration” cluster as previously approved for recognition in Alabama. The curriculums of each branch specific program support these minimum requirements. These criteria are specific, measurable, and are consistent with current regulatory guidelines that recognize three years of JROTC for promotion purposes in the armed forces. The JROTC Advisory Committee, Career & Technical Education/Workforce Development for ALSDE approved the new criteria at a meeting conducted on 4 September 2018 in Montgomery, Alabama. These are effective for implementation in School Year 2018-2019.

To receive the JROTC credential (granted in the form of a “Certificate of Completion” issued by each service component), cadets must meet the minimum requirements listed below. The certificate can be used to gain an automatic promotion in any of the armed forces upon enlistment assuming other requirements for enlistment are met.

a. Years of JROTC Participation: Cadets must complete a minimum of three years of JROTC credit. Completion is defined as earning a minimum of one JROTC course credit in an academic year.

b. Additional Minimum Criteria:

- Must have actively participated in at least one required Service Learning/Community Service Project.
- Must have earned a Cadet Good Conduct Ribbon.
- Must have completed a minimum of 30 hours of Community Service.
- Must have an overall GPA of 2.5 (unweighted) in all subject areas.
- Must have a minimum of 75% grade average in JROTC coursework.
- Must have successfully completed at least 3 categories of the 5 tested areas in the Alabama Physical Fitness Challenge. *
- Must have participated as an active member in at least two extra-curricular/co-curricular/leadership development criteria activities in JROTC or any other school sponsored activity (i.e., band, chorus, athletic team, school club, etc.).
- Must have consistently and properly worn the cadet uniform while meeting service specific grooming standards.
- Must have served in a leadership position.
- Must have no more than two major discipline infractions as defined by the school administration.
- May not have any official misconduct involving weapons or drugs.
- Senior Instructors may waive no more than two of the listed criteria above.
- Cadets must be approved by Senior Instructor to receive the certificate. Using the total person concept, instructors have the discretion not to award the certificate if the cadet does not demonstrate good citizenship characteristics while a student.

* Cadet may not be denied certificate due to a pre-existing medical condition.

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