From: Senior Marine Instructor
To: Parents or Guardians of students interested in participating in Marine Corps JROTC

Subj: PARENT/GUARDIAN CONSENT FOR PARTICIPATION IN MARINE CORPS JROTC

I am writing to provide basic information to you regarding the Marine Corps Junior Reserve Officers’ Training Corps (JROTC) Program at Northridge High School, and to gain your written approval for your student to participate. Your son/daughter has already registered for this program and is currently assigned to a Leadership Education (LE) class, but should you decide not to allow your student to participate in the program, it is imperative that you contact the Administration office within the first week of school to arrange for a schedule change.

The purpose of the JROTC program is to instill a value of citizenship, service to the United States, personal responsibility, and a sense of accomplishment. The program does not seek any commitment to the military and does not require future military service. The major objectives of the program are aimed at developing informed and responsible citizens, developing leadership, building character through leadership development, teaching about the elements and requirements for national security, developing self-discipline and respect for authority, and exposing students to possible career and educational choices.

Students enrolled in the program are required to wear a Marine Corps uniform one day a week unless otherwise directed. Students are required to meet Marine Corps standards for personal appearance & grooming. In the JROTC program, while in uniform, students are required to remove piercings, hair color is restricted to natural hair tones, and male hair must be cut to no longer than three inches on top tapered down to zero around the ears and neck. More details about appearance and grooming will be provided to cadets participating in the program.

Cadets will perform close-order drill, which will include marching with a non-firing rifle. They will also participate in physical training, and will undergo marksmanship training, firing air rifles as a means to develop focus, discipline and firearms safety. All cadets must be willing to take direction from older cadets in order to be successful in their leadership development. There is no cost to the student for participation in the program.

Every cadet will be treated with dignity and respect in a safe and nurturing environment that fosters inclusion in a cadet unit as a means of meeting program objectives. MCJROTC promotes and encourages academic success in all classes and seeks to develop self-confidence, self-discipline and respect for authority.

Cadets will also be encouraged to participate in civic service events scheduled throughout the year to benefit the high school and local community. More information will be sent home as we get nearer to the dates of these events. Parent/Guardian permission slips to participate in these events will also be sent home as required.

Parent-Teacher conferences will be held at Northridge twice during the fall semester and twice during the spring semester. These conferences are a great way for both instructors to meet you and discuss your student's progress and successes in JROTC. We hope to meet with you during each of these events. If you have any questions, please contact me at (970) 348-5358 or skintzley@greeleyschools.org, or the Marine Instructor, Master Gunnery Sergeant Brian Yarolem at (970) 348-5359 or byarolem@greeleyschools.org. We look forward to meeting you and helping your child excel in high school.

S.A. Kintzley
Major, USMC (Ret)
Parent/Guardian Consent Form for Participation in Marine Corps JROTC

(Print Cadet First Name)  (Print Cadet Last Name)  (Class Year)

*** Parent/Guardian: Please indicate participation consent by initialing each statement below ***

1. _______ PARTICIPATION: We do here authorize our child to participate in the Northridge High School Marine Corps Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps (MCJROTC) Program.

2. _______ PARTICIPATION: We give our permission for our child to participate in all MCJROTC activities, both on and off campus pending receipt of a parent/guardian permission slip describing the nature of the event, date, time and location.

3. _______ EVENT TRAVEL: We authorize our child to be transported via school district buses, commercial transportation (bus/van) or by parent carpool, to MCJROTC sanctioned events pending receipt of a parent/guardian permission slip that describes the nature of the event, date, time, location and transportation plan.

4. _______ DRILL: We authorize our child to participate in close order drill instruction that may involve marching with a 10 pound non-firing rifle during normal class time.

5. _______ MARKSMANSHIP: We authorize our child to participate in JROTC marksmanship training and understand that it will involve firing a .177 caliber air rifle. I understand that I may coordinate with the school administration to visit the range facilities in order to acquaint myself with the procedures and safety precautions being utilized to conduct the training.

6. _______ PHYSICAL CONDITIONING: We authorize our child to participate in progressive physical training (PT) each week. We also understand that our child will be required to dress out in their issued PT uniform and participate in all PT activities as part of his/her grade in the class. Physical fitness training will be based on the ability of each child to participate at their own physical fitness level. Parents are reminded to encourage their children to drink plenty of water and to eat breakfast/lunch offered at school prior to exercising.

7. _______ UNIFORMS: We authorize our child to wear the Marine Corps JROTC Uniform provided by the program, and we agree to supervise our child in caring and safeguarding the uniform items. We also acknowledge that our child will be required to wear the appropriate uniform each week as part of his/her evaluation & grade in the course. We further understand that all uniform items are property of the U.S. Government, and that students will be required to turn in the complete uniform at the conclusion of the school year or upon disenrollment from the program. Any uniform or uniform item that is lost, stolen or misplaced will require the parents to purchase/replace the item. Legitimately damaged, destroyed, or worn out uniforms may be replaced at no cost at the discretion and approval of the Senior Marine Instructor.

8. _______ TRANSPORTATION: We understand that cadets and their families are responsible for transportation to and from the high school prior to departing for, or upon the return from JROTC events.
9. __________ MEDIA RELEASE: We authorize our child to be photographed participating in JROTC events. Photographs may be used to promote the JROTC program in local news articles and in student publications such as the school yearbook. Photographs may also be used in unit historical files and on unit, school and district web pages.

10. __________ LIABILITY RELEASE: As a condition of participating in the MCJROTC Program and its related activities, we, the below named parent(s)/guardian(s) hereby release the U.S. Marine Corps, Northridge High School, the MCJROTC unit and all their associated officers, agents and representatives from any and all claims, demands, actions or causes for action, due to death, injury or illness arising from participation in the above described MCJROTC programs, activities and trips.

11. __________ MEDICAL EMERGENCIES: The parents/guardians are reminded that every precaution will be taken to provide for the safety, care and welfare of students. In the event of an accident requiring medical care, parents/guardians will be notified immediately. If the parents/guardians cannot be contacted in the event of an accident or illness, permission is hereby given to the Senior Marine Instructor (SMI)/Marine instructor (MI) to authorize any necessary medical treatment or hospitalization deemed to be in the best interest of the above named student. The parents/guardians hereby assume financial responsibility for hospitalization and medical treatment expenses provided to this student.

I have read and agree to comply with all the above statements and terms unless otherwise brought to the attention of the instructor staff.

__________________________
Print name of Parent/Guardian

__________________________
Signature of Parent/Guardian

____________________________
Street Address, City, State, ZIP Code

____________________________
Home Telephone

____________________________
Emergency Contact Person

____________________________
Cell Telephone

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Emergency Contact telephone #
Marine Corps JROTC Special Medical Condition Form

The JROTC Instructors conduct an operational risk assessment before each training event to ensure the safety of all students. In order to properly plan and execute training events, it is necessary for the instructors to have basic health information regarding special medical conditions that may exist for a student. This information will allow instructors to ensure that cadets are properly monitored during exercise while ensuring safety provisions are built in to every event.

CADET NAME: ____________________________________________________________

(Last) (First)

Please write "None" on the line provided if the question does not apply to your child.

My child takes the following prescription medications: (please list medications on the line below)

____________________________________________________________________

My child is allergic to the following medications: (please list medications on the line below)

____________________________________________________________________

Are there any special medical conditions for your child that should be brought to the attention of the instructors? (Please list all conditions below. Medical privacy will be respected)

____________________________________________________________________

My child is: (Please check one)

( ) Physically qualified to participate in the MCJROTC Program.

( ) Physically qualified to participate in the MCJROTC Program with consideration given to the special medical conditions listed above.

( ) Not physically qualified to participate in the MCJROTC Program and should be withdrawn from the program.

____________________  __________
Print name of Parent/Guardian    Signature of Parent/Guardian
MCJROTC UNIFORM PLEDGE

I am a Marine JROTC cadet enrolled in Northridge High School, Marine Corps Junior ROTC. When I put on my cadet uniform, I will wear it with the same pride and dignity as the Marines it represents. I acknowledge my uniform is the same as those worn by Marines, past and present, who worked extremely hard to receive the Eagle, Globe and Anchor as a symbol of their honor, courage and commitment.

I understand the many sacrifices Marines have made in their long and illustrious history, including giving their lives for their country, the United States of America. I know these Marines expect me, a JROTC cadet with a loaned uniform, to show respect to those who earned wearing the uniform of a United States Marine. I promise I will humbly and respectfully wear a complete uniform correctly to honor those who wear it in the defense of our country.

I make this commitment to honor the uniform of United States Marines and I will well and faithfully conduct myself with honor, dignity and respect at all times while wearing my uniform. By my signature below, I accept complete responsibility for wearing the Marine Corps JROTC uniform as instructed and outlined herein. As a first year cadet, should I fail to wear my uniform 3 times in a semester; the SMI has the option to drop me from the program. As a second thru fourth year cadet I can be dropped after I fail to wear my uniform 1 time in a semester.

________________________________________________________
Cadet Name (Printed)

__________________________________________
Cadet Signature

__________________________________________
Date

__________________________________________
Signature of Parent or Guardian
Memorandum of Agreement for Participation in MCJROTC

1. Students are required to participate in progressive physical training (PT) which includes instruction on health, wellness, nutrition as well as warm-up, stretching, exercise and physically challenging activities. Students are required to dress out in their PT uniform and to participate in all PT activities. __________ INIT.

2. Cadets are required to wear their MCJROTC uniform one full day to all classes (designated Uniform Day). During their MCJROTC class they are inspected by senior cadets and/or MCJROTC instructors for neatness and compliance with regulations. They are inspected for hygiene and MCJROTC knowledge and given a grade for this event. Except for traveling to/from school on Uniform Day and off campus MCJROTC events, cadets are not allowed to wear any MCJROTC uniform, in part or whole, at any other time while off campus. __________ INIT.

3. Male cadets are required to have neatly trimmed and tapered haircuts. Female cadets hair length may be any length as long as it does not exceed the lower edge of the uniform shirt collar or can be put up (instruction is given). Hair color must be a natural color and hair dying other than natural colors is not acceptable. Body piercing jewelry is not allowed while wearing uniforms. Females may wear conservative earrings after given instruction on the acceptable types. Smoking in uniform is strictly prohibited and discouraged at other times. __________ INIT.

4. As cadets represent the entire MCJROTC Program on and off campus, they are expected to conduct themselves in a manner as good citizens and students. The reflection of one cadet’s misbehavior or misconduct can damage the reputation of the entire program and impair our ability to gain local school and community support. __________ INIT.

5. As our curriculum emphasizes “leadership, citizenship and scholarship,” we expect cadets to abide by the rules established by Weld County School District 6 as well as those regulations we teach in MCJROTC. We accept honest mistakes, but expect Cadets’ behavior in school and all classes to be exemplary. Other teachers know our expectations and support us as well. __________ INIT.

6. Uniforms and equipment are issued to cadets on a loan basis. That means we want these items back when the student leaves the program. They are not given to students to keep! All uniform items are US government property, not school property and are accountable to the U.S. Marine Corps. School fines or other formal legal action may be used to recover our property, should cadets fail to return them upon leaving MCJROTC. __________ INIT.

7. Any uniform lost, stolen or misplaced will require the parents to purchase/replace the item. Legitimately damaged, destroyed, or worn out uniforms may be replaced at no cost at the discretion and approval of the Senior Marine Instructor. __________ INIT.

8. Cadets will be given opportunities to perform community service throughout the year. It should be noted we depend on cadets to keep their obligations when they sign up for activities. When cadets fail to show, it requires us to find a replacement at the last minute or go shorthanded; it is unfair to others who may have wanted to participate but, were unable to, due to the sign up list being full. __________ INIT.

9. As we perform many activities each year, we must ask the cooperation of cadets and parents to assist us getting cadets to events. We solicit and encourage parent support and assistance, and only though this support were we able to do all the things we want and need to do. __________ INIT.

10. We perform numerous fundraising activities year round in order to support all the activities we do. All cadets are required to do their fair share. Funds help pay for cadet activities, parties, local trips, and scholarships. Every penny raised goes back to cadets in one form or another. __________ INIT.

11. Students enrolled in MCJROTC must be “fully physically qualified” to participate in our “physical training” activities; waivers are granted on a case-by-case basis by the instructor. We push the students to perform to their abilities. Cadets with disabling physical handicaps may be unable to meet MCJROTC physical requirements and may be unable take the youth physical fitness tests, but will still receive a grade based on effort and attitude. Doctor notes with specific limitations and assessed recovery periods are required to temporarily excuse cadets form physical activities. __________ INIT.

12. Cadets going on field trips will be required to return a field trip permission slip to the MCJROTC instructors signed by parents or legal guardians that will include a completed “Verification of Health Insurance Form” listing Health Care Provider/Company, Policy#, Address and Phone Number. We will send permission slips home for each event. __________ INIT.

13. Our Program is structured around leadership training. This requires us to place cadets in positions of authority commensurate with their abilities/skills/knowledge. New cadets must understand the need for their willingness to learn as followers before they can become leaders in this Program. Willing and immediate obedience to lawful orders from senior cadets or MCJROTC Instructors is expected by all. __________ INIT.

By my signature below I acknowledge compliance to this Memorandum of Agreement as instructed and outlined herein.

Cadet’s Printed Name __________________________ Cadet’s Signature __________________________ Date ___________