

NJROTC UNIFORM CLEANING DEPOSIT

Cadets are responsible for the care and cleaning of their NJROTC uniforms. Uniforms are issued in a clean condition and must be returned in the same manner. In recent years, the unit has been forced to pay several hundreds of dollars in cleaning costs for uniforms that were not properly returned by cadets after they leave the program. The funds for these unprogrammed cleaning bills are paid from the unit's club account... money that comes from unit fundraiser activities and is supposed to pay for bills generated by the unit as a whole, such as field trip busses, field trip fees, team competition entry fees, Military Ball ticket discounts, etc.

In order to eliminate having to pay for uniform cleaning that is the responsibility of individual cadets, the unit now collects a \$20.00 uniform cleaning deposit from each cadet. *Cadets are restricted from participating in certain unit activities until the cleaning deposit is paid.* The money is kept on account as long as the cadet is in the unit. When the cadet returns uniform items prior to leaving the unit, the money is either used to clean these items, or, if all items are returned in clean condition, the money is refunded.

If you would like to check the status of your uniform cleaning deposit account, need to set up a payment plan, or have any questions regarding this policy, please contact CDR Cassara at 703-810-2354 or at rjcassara@fcps.edu.