

# Comal Independent School District

## NEWS RELEASE

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### **CHS JROTC unit receives prestigious award**

The Canyon High School Air Force Junior ROTC unit has been selected as one of 200 out of 849 nationwide and overseas to earn the 2010-2011 Air Force Junior ROTC Distinguished Unit Award with Merit.

This award recognizes Air Force Junior ROTC units that have performed above and beyond normal expectations, and that have distinguished themselves through outstanding service to their school and community while meeting the Air Force Junior ROTC mission of producing better citizens for America.

This is the second time in the school's history that the CHS earned the Distinguished Unit Award with Merit.

"We are proud of our cadets. During the annual inspection our Corps received the highest rating of Exceeds the Standards in all categories," said Kevin Cregier, CHS JROTC instructor. "I am proud of our cadets, the support I get from fellow JROTC instructor Edward Garcia and the administration. This has been a banner year for Canyon High JROTC."

The objectives of the Junior ROTC program are to educate and train high school cadets in citizenship and life skills; promote community service; instill responsibility, character, and self-discipline through character education, and to provide instruction in air and space fundamentals. Enrollment is open to all young people who are in the 9th grade or higher, physically fit, and are citizens or nationals of the United States.

Air Force Junior ROTC is located in 884 high schools across the United States and at selected schools in Europe, in the Pacific and Puerto Rico. Junior ROTC enrollment includes more than 117,000 cadets.

For more information about the CHS AFJROTC program contact either Cregier or Garcia at 830-221-2447 or 830-221-2407.

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IN PHOTO: Pictured are the CHS seniors who helped earned the 2010-2011 Air Force Junior ROTC Distinguished Unit Award with Merit. (Front row, l-r) Anthony McMonagle, Amber De Los Santos, Julisa Sanchez, and Joan Tuason. (Back row) Travis Knight, Joel Thompson, Justin Ganshaw, Cody Nichols and Andres Parra. Not pictured Jessica Hernandez.

