

***WHAT ELECTIVES WILL YOU TAKE AT WESTWOOD NEXT YEAR?***

**How About an Elective that…**

**Is 3 classes in one?**

* ***Aerospace Science***
* ***Leadership***
* ***Wellness***

**Gives you either a PE credit –***OR-* **ELECTIVE credit?**

**Gives you a *choice* of team participation?**

* ***Color Guard***
* ***Drill / Saber***
* ***Physical Training***
* ***Rocketry / Modeling***
* ***Cyber Patriot***

**Takes field trips and does other fun things?**

* ***Fall trip to Lackland Air Force Base and Fiesta Texas***
* ***Spring trip to Kingsville Naval Air Station & Padre Island***
* ***Team competitions in the Spring***
* ***Community service projects***
* ***Leadership Camps***
* ***Military Ball in February***
* ***Joint events/competitions with other JROTC programs***
* ***Parades and more!!***

**What IS this class??**  ***Aerospace 1 (JROTC)***

 

***Learn more about the program that could change the rest of your life*!**

***CONGRATULATIONS!***

Your son or daughter is about to enter Westwood High School, very well known for its excellent academics! While there will be a lot of focus on which academic classes to take, high school is also about ***learning the life skills that translate to college and beyond.***

As parents, we are always concerned about how our child will fit in a new school environment that is larger and more demanding than any school they have attended. We want them to fit in with a positive group and feel that they are part of a distinctive and distinguished team. ***We want to give them a chance to build on success!***

Research has revealed that:

* High School Students are interested in many vocations and hobbies.
* Teenagers want a broader experience that provides practical “hands-on” experience.
* Teenagers want to belong to a group that provides a secure place from which they can address the youth development issues that affect them. These issues include experimentation, moving from dependence to interdependence, social relationships, psychological changes, evaluation and re-evaluation of values and maturity.

What if you could ensure that your child spent time ***doing positive things with other positive students***?

What if your child had successful older students as ***mentors and examples of success***?

What if your child had the opportunity to learn ***goal-oriented leadership and organizational skills*** that can last a lifetime—***skills that are attractive to universities and businesses***?

What if your child had the opportunity to ***demonstrate leadership*** progressively as their skills grew/matured?

What if your student could take an elective that emphasizes, teaches, and requires:

* **Leadership skills**
* **Teamwork**
* **Structure**
* **Self-Discipline**

What if this program also gave your student the opportunity to participate in and earn

* **Community service hours** (so important for college applications)
* **High School Letter/Jacket**

What about an academic program that teaches 3 curriculums in one:

* **Aerospace Science, Leadership and Wellness**

***AND*** could count as a:

* **General Elective** (State approved credit for graduation) **OR PE Credit**

In the Course Catalog this elective is listed as **‘Aerospace Science I**’. It is a high school course the U.S. Air Force and RRISD sponsor and support created with the mission to help develop confident, mature citizens of character for our communities and America. Academically it meets TEKS (Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills) requirements in every academic area. The class is commonly called JROTC and rest assured….

***There is NO military commitment involved. Both boys and girls may enroll.***

We are NOT a club…we are a complete life skills program that also provides college scholarships for qualified seniors, possible appointments to military academies, college endorsements, portfolio accolades and more!!

We provide a safe environment for students to learn from their instructors, older peers, practice and grow as leaders, participate in teams, competitions and create new friendships as they quickly transition their teenage years and become mature, responsible graduates.

At Westwood there are currently about 100 students in all 4 years of this program.