

## DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

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DR WILLIAM E HARNER SUPERINTENDENT QUAKERTOWN CSD 100 COMMERCE DR QUAKERTOWN PA 18951-2237

Dear Dr. Harner:

I am pleased to inform you that the Secretary of the Navy approved the request to establish a Navy National Defense Cadet Corps (NNDCC) unit at Quakertown Community Senior High School. We're looking forward to a great future with your high school, as we work together to develop, particularly in those students who take part in NNDCC, the values and skills they will need to become better citizens and effective leaders.

Please have your team evaluate the enclosed contract and consider committing to establishing a new NNDCC unit. Because we are late in the school year, and most school districts require time to plan for this significant curricular addition, we will allow you to choose an effective date for the contract of either July 1, 2020, January 1, 2021 or July 1, 2021. This will permit you to start a new unit for either the Fall 2020, Spring 2021, or Fall 2021 semesters. Please sign and date the enclosed agreement and return it within 90 days of receipt to the Naval Service Training Command, NJROTC Program, 250 Dallas St., Suite A, Pensacola, FL 32508-5268. Please also include your requested effective date so we may ensure the contract is in place prior to the effective date enabling us to provide timely support for the new unit. Upon receipt, we will co-sign the contract and a completed copy will be forwarded to you.

The program representative for your location is Commander Jimmie Miller, U.S. Navy (Retired), NJROTC Area Manager, Area FOUR. He is available to aid you and school officials as needed to make sure the NNDCC unit is off to a smooth start. Commander Miller's telephone number is (224) 545-3570. If you elect to decline to open an NNDCC Program kindly let us know in writing so we can offer the unit to another deserving school on our waiting list.

Sincerely,

T. N. DASELER

**NJROTC Program Director** 

**Enclosure: NNDCC Agreement** 

Copy to: (w/o encl)

NJROTC Area Manager, Area FOUR Principal, Quakertown Comm. SR. H. S.

# AGREEMENT TO ESTABLISH A NAVY NATIONAL DEFENSE CADET CORPS PROGRAM

This Agreement (the "Agreement") to Establish a Navy National Defense Cadet Corps ("NNDCC") Program (the "NNDCC Program") is hereby entered into by and between the Department of the Navy, acting through the Naval Service Training Command (the "Navy"), and QUAKERTOWN COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT (the "School District") pursuant to Title			
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designated Host School and cannot be moved without prior written Navy consent and modification to this Agreement in accordance with Paragraph 10.b. The School District shall ensure each Host School establishes a Department of Naval Science as an integral academic and administrative department of that school to administer the NNDCC program.			

- 2. Accreditation. The School District warrants and represents that each Host School is fully accredited by the cognizant State and/or regional accreditation agency, as required by the law of the State in which the Host School is located. Each Host School shall remain fully accredited in accordance with such law at all times. Failure to maintain such accreditation shall be a ground for termination of the Agreement in accordance with Paragraph 9. The School District shall immediately notify the Navy at the address noted in Paragraph 10.i. in the event that the accreditation of any Host School comes under investigation or is withdrawn or threatened with withdrawal.
- 3. <u>Unit Members: Number and Qualifications</u>. Each Unit shall maintain a minimum student enrollment of no less than the number mandated by the Statute (currently 50 students) enrolled in the Host School. The Host School shall limit membership in the Unit to students who meet the criteria of the Statute as well as Department of Defense and Navy Instructions pertaining to NNDCC (collectively and as they may be amended from time to time the "NNDCC Regulations"). These criteria require that participating students:
  - a. Are physically fit to participate fully in the normal physical education program of the Host School;
  - b. Are over 14 years of age;
- c. Comply with any other criteria required by the Statute and NNDCC Regulations, as they may be amended from time to time; and
- d. Maintain acceptable standards of conduct and conform to the same personal grooming standards established for cadets in the NJROTC program. Uniforms must be worn by cadets at least one full school day each week.

### 4. Instructors

- a. Number and Qualifications. The School District shall assign a minimum of one (1) instructor per Unit (the "NNDCC Instructor"). If the Host School is interested in applying to host a Navy Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps (NJROTC) unit, it is strongly encouraged to employ personnel who are qualified to instruct the NJROTC program and who meet the criteria, including prior military service, prescribed in Section 2031 of Title 10 of the United States Code and Department of Defense Instruction 1205.13, Chief of Naval Operations Instruction, OPNAVINST 1533.5C, or any successor statute or regulation thereto (the "NJROTC Regulations").
- b. <u>Instructor Uniforms</u>. NNDCC instructors that are retired military service members are strongly encouraged to wear the appropriate uniform of their services while conducting the NNDCC program and at such other times as authorized under the applicable uniform regulations. Unless required to do so by separate authority, the Navy shall not be responsible to pay for such uniforms.
- c. <u>Instructor Certification and Training</u>. NNDCC Instructors must be certified by the Navy in accordance with NNDCC Regulations before they are authorized to teach the NNDCC curriculum prescribed by <u>Paragraph 5.a</u>. The School District shall notify the Navy in accordance with <u>Paragraph 10.i</u>, prior to hiring any NNDCC Instructor in order to ensure that the instructor is properly certified.
- (1) <u>Initial Certification</u>. Certification requirements vary depending on whether the prospective NNDCC Instructor meets the military service requirements for a Navy Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps instructor set forth in the NJROTC Regulations or has no relevant military service.
- (a) Meets NJROTC Instructor Requirements. To attain provisional Navy certification, each NNDCC Instructor who has prior military service that qualifies him or her to be a NJROTC instructor must first be found qualified by the Navy in accordance with NNDCC Regulations to teach the prescribed curriculum. If found qualified, such instructor must successfully complete on-line training and then attend a one-week training orientation session held by the Navy, all within the first year of employment. Successful completion of both the on-line training and the training orientation session will then result in full certification for such instructor.

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- c. <u>Bond/Insurance</u>. The School District shall furnish to the Navy a bond or insurance policy from an institution satisfactory to the Navy in an amount equal to the replacement value of Government Furnished Property. The School District shall ensure that the bond or insurance remains in effect for the requisite amount at all times during the term of this Agreement and, thereafter, so long as any Government-Furnished Property remains in the School District's custody. If the School District elects to provide an insurance policy, it shall name the United States as an additional insured and provide a certificate to that effect to the Navy at the address set forth in <u>Paragraph 10.J.</u> as soon as possible after the Effective Date and annually thereafter within thirty (30) calendar days renewal of the policy.
- 7. Audit/Inspection: Access. The Navy reserves the right to, and shall from time to time, conduct inspections at the Unit. The Navy may at any time conduct an audit of all Government Furnished Property and of all funds provided to the School District and Host School. The School District and Host School shall cooperate with, and grant access to, Navy and Federal Government personnel to facilitate such inspections and audits. In addition to the foregoing, the Navy will inspect each Unit every two (2) years, to include a curriculum review, participation count, military standards assessment, curriculum material appraisal, instructor interview, audit of Government property, and overall assessment of the Unit's compliance with all requirements.

#### 8. Unit Failure to Meet Navy Standards

a. <u>Evaluation Status</u>. If the Navy determines that a Host School has failed to comply with the requirements of this Agreement (other than those concerning enrollment), the Navy shall place the Unit at the Host School in an evaluation status and shall notify the Host School in accordance with <u>Paragraph 10.J.</u>, outlining the deficiencies and the date by which the Host School must correct the deficiencies. If the deficiencies causing the evaluation status are not corrected within that time, the Navy may place the Unit in a probationary status.

### b. Probationary Status

- (1) For Other than Low Enrollment. If deficiencies remain uncorrected at the end of the evaluation period, the Navy will place the Unit in a probationary status for one full academic year, beginning at the start of the next academic year. Units placed on probation will be inspected by a Navy representative during the probationary year. The Navy representative will then report on the progress the Host School has made in correcting deficiencies. The Navy may recommend the Unit for disestablishment at the conclusion of the probationary year if the Host School has not corrected such deficiencies, in which case the Unit shall be disestablished effective at the conclusion of the probationary period in accordance with Paragraph 8.C.
- (2) For Low Enrollment. Units which do not have the statutory minimum enrollment (see Paragraph 3) by 1 October of each academic year will be placed on probation immediately after that date. No later than the end of that academic year, the Navy will evaluate the Unit's potential to attain minimum enrollment upon the opening of the next school year. If this evaluation indicates that the minimum enrollment can be met, the Navy may continue the Unit on probation pending determination of actual enrollment not later than 90 days after the beginning the following school year. If the minimum required enrollment is not met at that time, the Navy will schedule the Unit for disestablishment no later than 30 June of that academic year.
- c. <u>Disestablishment of Units</u>. The Navy may disestablish the Unit pursuant to <u>Paragraph 8.B.</u> The Navy may also disestablish the Unit upon request by the School District or where, in the Navy's reasonable discretion, disestablishment serves the best interests of the Navy. Upon the effective date of such disestablishment, the Host School will return all Government Furnished Property to the Navy in an orderly and timely manner. All such property shall be returned by the Host School at the Navy's cost and following all Navy directions. If disestablishment of the Unit means no NNDCC units will continue to operate in the School District, this Agreement shall be terminated in accordance with Paragraph 9 below.
- 9. <u>Termination</u>. This Agreement may be terminated: (1) at any time, by the mutual consent and agreement of both parties; (2) by either party upon giving the other one year's written notice of such intent to terminate; or (3) by the Navy with less than one year's notice if the legal authority for the NNDCC program is repealed, amended, or significantly modified, in which event, the Navy shall give each Host School as much notice as is possible under the circumstances. In the event of mutual or unilateral termination of this Agreement, or in the event of disestablishment as prescribed by the Secretary of the Navy, the School District shall return to the Navy at Navy cost all Government Furnished Property in its or the Host Schools' custody. Such property shall be returned to the Navy in good condition at the end of the last school year during which the NNDCC program was offered at that school in accordance with procedures and guidance in existence or provided by the Navy at the time of the termination of the Agreement or disestablishment of the Unit, whichever is earlier.

### 10. General Provisions

- a. Construction/Governing Authority. This Agreement is governed by, and shall be construed under, Federal law.
- b. <u>Modification or Amendment of Agreement</u>. No amendment or modification of this Agreement shall be effective unless it is in a writing signed by authorized representatives of both parties.
- c. <u>No Waiver</u>. Unless expressly stated in a writing signed by the Navy, the waiver by the Navy of any act, duty, or obligation required of the School District or Host School hereunder shall not be construed as a waiver of any other, or of any future, act, duty, or obligation to be performed by the School District or Host School.

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- d. No Assignment. This Agreement may not be assigned by the parties.
- e. <u>Entire Agreement</u>. This Agreement represents the entire agreement of the parties concerning the matters addressed herein and supersedes any prior agreements, understandings, or representations.
- f. Anti-Deficiency Act. Nothing in this Agreement will be construed as obligating the Navy, their officers, employees, or agents to expend any funds in excess of appropriations authorized for such purposes in violation of the federal Anti-Deficiency Act (31 U.S.C. Section 1341).
- g. Representative Authority. Each undersigned representative of the parties to this Agreement certifies she or he is fully authorized to enter into the terms and conditions of this Agreement and to execute the same so as to effectively bind each party to its terms.
- h. Execution of the Agreement. This Agreement shall become effective as of the Effective Date when all parties have signed, no matter when the parties actually sign this document. This Agreement may be signed in counterparts.
- i. <u>No Discrimination</u>. The School District shall adhere to a policy of non-discrimination against students or instructors based on race, ethnicity, religion, national origin, gender or any other category prohibited by law.
- j. Notice. Unless otherwise stated herein, notices under this Agreement shall be effective upon receipt, must be in writing, and must be served by certified, U.S. mail, return receipt requested, addressed to the parties at the address noted below.
- k. <u>Conflict between Agreement and NNDCC Regulations</u>. In the event of a conflict between this Agreement and the NNDCC Regulations, the NNDCC Regulations shall prevail.

WHEREFORE, the parties enter into this Agreement as of the Effective Date.

Name of School District     QUAKERTOWN COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT     100 COMMERCE DRIVE     QUAKERTOWN PA 18951-2237	3. DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY NAVAL SERVICE TRAINING COMMAND NAVY JUNIOR ROTC PROGRAM 250 DALLAS STREET STE A PENSACOLA FL 32508-5268
Mailing Address of Host School     QUAKERTOWN COMMUNITY SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL     600 PARK AVE     QUAKERTOWN PA 18951-1588	
4. Typed Name and Title of School District Official	Typed Name and Title of Navy Representative     N. DASELER, NJROTC PROGRAM DIRECTOR
6. Signature of School District Official 7. Date	Signature of Navy Representative 9. Date