

Lassiter-Pope-Kell NJROTC

2022-2023



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Company Training Officer
Company Cadet Master Chief

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C/LTJG Joao Rosa
C/LTJG James McLaughlin
C/CPO Chase Patterson
C/CPO Patrick Tilt
C/ENS Bridget Walsh
C/CMC David Lovell

2022 TEAM COMMANDERS

Drill Team Overall
Armed Ex
Armed Basic
Unarmed Basic
Unarmed Ex
Color Guard
Athletics
Orienteering
Rifle Team
Drone Team
Academic

C/ENS James McLaughlin
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C/LT Chase Patterson
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C/ENS James McLaughlin
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GENERAL INFORMATION

PARENT INVOLVEMENT

CPO

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The LPK CPO is more than a booster club. It's a "Family" that looks out for each other-parents, cadets & alumni alike.

All parents are highly encouraged to join the CPO and become a part of the "LPK NJROTC CPO Family" in support of their cadet.

Fundraising

The unit conducts fundraisers throughout the academic year.

- 80% of net funds the CPO receives from a fundraising event gets deposited into the cadet's individual accounts to be applied towards dues, extracurricular LPK NJROTC affiliated Team competitions and LPK NJROTC Unit events
- The remaining 20% goes to CPO budget for support of unit events

Cadets also have the opportunity to fundraise in the following ways:

- Cadets can sign-up to work events (i.e. home football games concessions)
- Letter writing campaign (see <http://www.lassiternjrotc.com/letter-writing-campaign.html> for more information)

Additionally, parents may support the unit through the following ongoing fundraising activities:

- Amazon Smile: select "Lassiter NJROTC Cadet Parent Organization"
 - For more info: <http://www.lassiternjrotc.com/amazon-smile.html>
- Kroger Community Rewards select "GI432"
 - For more info: <http://www.lassiternjrotc.com/kroger-community-rewards.html>
- Publix
 - Log into your Publix Account
 - At the bottom of the page click on "Community"
 - At the bottom of the next page "Publix Partners"
 - Choose "Locate a school": **Lassiter High School NJROTC**

- Direct tax-deductible donation. LPK NJROTC CPO is a non-profit 501(c) (3) organization.
- Don't forget company matching at your employer!

TEAMS

Academic:

Team of cadets that compete against other schools in academic competitions in game show format. The questions cover naval knowledge, current events, and other general knowledge questions.

In the 2021-22 academic year, the academic team won numerous trophies in local and regional competitions and qualified for Regionals.

For more information, visit <http://www.lassiternjrotc.com/academic-team.html>.

Drill:

Team of cadets that compete against other schools in drill competitions. Drill team is comprised of 7 groups within the overall drill team: unarmed basic, armed basic, unarmed exhibition, armed exhibition, color guard, athletics and academics.

In the 2021-22 academic year, LPK NJROTC Drill Team placed in the top 3 in local competition and placed 6th in the regional championship.

For information on the drill team, visit: <http://www.lassiternjrotc.com/drill-team.html>.

Orienteering:

The "O Team" is a land navigation competition running through the woods, with just a compass and a map. Physically demanding, this team involves navigation skills, speed and agility.

In the 2021-22 academic year, the O Team placed 5th overall in the Area12 Regional Competition and qualified for the National Navy National Orienteering Competition in San Jose, California. At Nationals:

- Cadet Badger placed 5th overall for varsity female runners
- Cadet Roper placed 6th overall for female runners on the intermediate course

For more information, visit <http://www.lassiternjrotc.com/orienteering-team.html>.

Rifle: The Rifle team cadets compete in local and regional competitions shooting .177 caliber PCP air rifles from three positions: kneeling, prone and standing in two divisions, Precision & Sporter.

In the 2021-22 academic year, the Precision Rifle team qualified for Regionals.

- Cadet Yurchak placed 7th overall at Regionals

For more information, visit <http://www.lassiternjrotc.com/rifle-team.html>.

Drone:

The Drone Team cadets compete in local, regional & national competitions utilizing remote control piloted drones. They participate in skills competitions where one cadet is the blind-folded "pilot" and the other is the "navigator" providing commands to the "pilot" to guide the drone to a designated landing zone. Other competitions are piloting a drone through an "obstacle course" for time.

The 2021-22 academic year was the LPK NJROTC's inaugural year! Our Drone Team was very competitive placing very high at the regional competition.

For more information, visit <http://www.lassiternjrotc.com/drone-team.html>

COMMUNICATIONS

Website: <http://www.lassiternjrotc.com/>

**Remind 101**

- Parents text "@lpk" to 81010
- Cadets text "@lpknj" to 81010

Plan of the week

Parents can opt in to receive weekly email through CTLS from Commander Walker outlining the academic, team and volunteer activities of the coming week.

Team updates

Team parent coordinators will send out communications via **Remind** specifically for parents of cadets on the individual teams.

To join team-specific **Remind** communications:

- Academic: send "@lpkac" text to 81010 to join
- Drill: send "@lpkdr" text to 81010 to join
- Drone: send "@lpkdn" text to 81010 to join
- O Team: send "@lpkot" text to 81010 to join
- Rifle: send "@lpkri" text to 81010 to join

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

About NJROTC

Q: What does NJROTC stand for?

A: NJROTC stands for Navy Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps.

Q: Who teaches the NJROTC program?

A: The NJROTC program is taught by retired officers (referred to as Senior Naval Science Instructors-SNSI) and enlisted personnel (referred to as Naval Science Instructors-NSI). Commander Walker and 1st Sgt Cox are our SNSI & NSI respectively for the LPK NJROTC program.

Q: Is the NJROTC sponsored by the armed forces or the school district?

A: NJROTC is sponsored jointly by the Navy and the three high schools (Lassiter-Pope-Kell) as a citizenship and leadership development program for students in grades 9 through 12.

Q: Are cadets obligated to join the military after high school?

A: NJROTC is an elective education program resulting in graduation credits. NJROTC Cadets are under no obligation whatsoever to join the military.

Q: Who can participate in the NJROTC program?

A: The NJROTC program is open to every student who meets the school requirements for enrollment in the elective class.

Q: What does the NJROTC teach the cadets?

A: NJROTC teaches self-discipline, self-confidence, and leadership skills to help the cadets successfully meet life's challenges.

Q: How can NJROTC help with future military goals?

A: NJROTC can greatly help students who wish to:

- enlist in the military service after High School graduation, or
- for those seeking nomination to any military schools (e.g. Citadel, VMI) or any of the U.S. Service Academies to become future Officers
 - (Air Force-Colorado Springs, Army-West Point, Coast Guard-New London, Merchant Marine-Kings Point, Navy-Annapolis) or
- for those interested in qualifying for an ROTC college scholarship for any branch of U.S. Military Service to become Officers after completing a 4-year Bachelor's degree.
 - FYI—Military Schools such as Texas A&M, The Citadel, VMI, Norwich, University of North Georgia are R.O.T.C. programs where all cadets that are accepted to those Colleges/Universities Military programs are on ROTC Scholarships specifically to those programs at those schools. .

*For more information, contact your SNSI or NSI

Financial

Q: Do parents have to buy NJROTC uniforms and materials?

A: NJROTC uniforms, books, training aids, and other types of equipment are provided to the cadets and paid for by the Navy.

Q: How do cadets pay for dues, competitions and field trips?

A: Payment can be made:

- payable to **LPK NJROTC CPO** – dropped off in the classroom office. OR
- online by **requesting in invoice from the CPO Treasurer at LPK.Treasurer@gmail.com**

Q: What is a cadet account?

A: Each cadet is allocated an account that serves as a holding account for money earned. It can be used for paying dues and fees. For every dollar a cadet earns through participation in fundraisers, 80% of the money earned is deposited into the cadet's account. This money stays with the cadet throughout their years in the program and rolls over year to year. The money will transfer to siblings or the general CPO account once the cadet leaves the program.

Fundraising

Q: How can parents financially support the NJROTC?

A: Parents can support the NJROTC by:

- joining the CPO & paying the annual CPO dues
- participating in the unit-sponsored fundraisers, donating to the gift baskets for silent raffles at events, participating in other fundraisers (e.g. Amazon Smile, Kroger, Publix, etc),
- encouraging local businesses to support the LPK NJROTC Unit
- supporting their cadet in enabling them to participate in the unit-sponsored fundraisers
- Tax deductible donations
 - The LPK NJROTC CPO is a non-profit 501 (c)(3) organization. Any donations are tax deductible as allowed by the IRS.

Cadet Participation

Q: What teams can cadets participate in?

A: The NJROTC unit sponsors drill, academic, marksmanship (rifle), orienteering and drone teams and other types of extracurricular activities.

Q: Will cadets have the opportunity to participate in field trips?

A: NJROTC cadets have the opportunity to take part in orientation visits as well as field trips to various naval activities and locations, such as parades, museums and military installations. In addition, in past years the cadets have received "special invitations" to go to Falcons & Hawks games.

Q: How do cadets earn ribbons and medals?

A: Cadets will have the opportunity to earn ribbons and medals through personal and team achievement in military acumen, appearance and team competitions.

Q: Do cadets have the opportunity to earn volunteer hours?

A: Cadets are required to earn a minimum of 8 volunteer hours per semester and it is reflected in their course grade. Volunteer hours earned can also be applied towards earning of service cord for their respective high school. Volunteer events include fun things such as Art in the Park (Marietta Square), Adopt a Mile, the Dragon Boat race, home football games and other community service events.

Parent Participation

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Q: How are the funds from CPO dues used?

A: CPO dues help with the following:

- support the unit with administrative costs
- support the unit in providing some food and incidentals for select unit events
- defray the cost of events such as field trips, the military ball and the holiday party
- provide financial assistance for students in financial need so they can participate in the Unit activities & events

Events

Q: What is the **Annual picnic**?

A: The annual picnic is a LPK NJROTC Unit-wide event for all returning and new cadets and their families. Everyone is highly encouraged to join in on the fun, filled with a cookout, games, prizes

- **This Year's Annual Picnic will be held on August 27 at:**
 - Navy Pavilion at Lake Allatoona,
166 Sandtown Road, SE Cartersville, GA.

Q: What is **AMI**?

A: AMI stands for Annual Military Inspection. It is an annual event, held in the Lassiter gym, in which the unit is inspected by the Commander of NJROTC Area 12 (Department of the U.S. Navy)

- to ensure that the unit operates and maintains U.S. Navy standards.

- Individual personnel inspection in issued uniform of ALL cadets for
 - proper wearing of the Navy uniform (cover, appearance of uniform, insignia, name tag, medals, ribbons, shoes, shiny belt buckle, and polished/shined leather shoes)
 - personal appearance (hair appearance & cut to U.S. Navy standards, clean shaven)
 - Knowledge
 - General U.S. Navy knowledge, General Orders & Chain of Command)
- Classrooms, Unit Offices, Unit Supplies & files are inspected & audited
- The semi-formal inspection includes an exhibition of armed Color Guard & unarmed drill followed with a “Pass and Review” parade of the entire Unit.

Parents and family members are **highly encouraged** to attend the Pass and Review portion of the inspection, which includes parade march and demonstrations by the various drill teams. The cadets work incredibly hard leading up to this event and appreciate seeing their parents/family cheering from the stands.

Any current or former Military personnel are highly desired and encouraged to volunteer to assist in preparing the cadets for inspection prior to as well day of AMI. It’s an opportunity to be a positive influence & mentor these young cadets and pass the torch of knowledge, experience & military tradition.

Q: What is the **Military Ball**?

A: The military ball is the unit’s formal social event held in the spring. Male cadets wear dress blues and females have the option of dress blues or formal gown. An evening of military ceremony and dinner/dance is a highlight for the cadets who consider it “military prom.”

Q: What is **Change of Command**?

A: Change of Command is the official change of officers from one semester to another.

- The Spring semester cadet leaders are announced (Usually in January) during the **Annual CPO Chili Cook-off** --a parent competition open to all unit cadets and their families.
- The Fall semester cadet leaders for the next academic year are announced in the Spring (Usually at **End of Year Award Ceremony**)

2022-23 Calendar of Events

JULY 2022

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| 18-19 | Newcomer Orientation |
| 20 | Drill Camp - allows anyone to come practice drill technique |
| 21 | Lassiter Go Day |
| 28 | Greyhound Madness (10th - 12th 8a-11a) (9th 1p-3p) - Pope HS |
| 29 | Lassiter Freshman Day |

AUGUST 2022

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| 1 | 1st Day of School |
| 8 | Lassiter - 12th grade parent night @6pm |
| 16 | Lassiter Parent night 9th gr parents @ 6pm |
| 17 | CPO Meeting @ 7pm |
| 19 | Lassiter Football - Home vs Etowah |
| 22 | Early release |
| 26 | Pope Football - Home vs River Ridge - (senior night) |
| 27 | CPO Picnic <i>Navy Pavilion at Lake Allatoona, 166 Sandtown Road, Cartersville, GA</i> |
| XX | Dragon Boat Race |
| XX | Physical forms due |

SEPTEMBER 2022

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| 1 | Lassiter - Open House |
| 3-5 | Art in the Park |
| 5 | No School - Labor Day |
| 14 | Unit Pictures |
| 16 | Lassiter Football - Home vs Dalton |
| 16 | Pope Football - Home vs North Paulding (Matt Hobby game) |
| 23 | Pope Football - Home vs Alpharetta (Hall of Fame game) |
| 24 | Oteam - Mt Madness @McIntosh Reserve |
| XX | Oteam Zero to Orange TEAM OPTIONAL TRAINING CAMP |
| 26-30 | No School-Fall Break |

OCTOBER 2022

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| 1 | Drill Comp - @Stockbridge HS |
| 7 | Lassiter Football - Home vs Roswell |
| 8 | AMI Saturday Practice |
| 10 | AMI school day practice |
| 12 | AMI - CDR Shaw to inspect |
| 14 | Lassiter Football - Home vs Alpharetta |
| 14 | Pope Football - Home vs Roswell - (Hope Wall/Homecoming) |
| 17 | Early Release |
| 21 | Pope Football - Home vs Lassiter HS |
| 22 | OTeam - Jolly Roger @ FDR State Park |
| 29 | OTeam - Pirates Classic @ Brunswick |
| 31 | Lakepoint Volunteer - ?? |

NOVEMBER 2022

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| 4 | Lassiter Football - Home vs Blessed Trinity |
| 5 | Drill Comp - S. Effingham |
| 6 | Veterans Day - Color Guard @1900 Strand Theater |
| 8 | No School - Election Day |
| 12 | Rifle - Upson Lee @ Old Mill, Griffin, GA |
| 12 | Brain Brawl - Eagles Landing (Alternate for this event) |
| 13 | Oteam Vet Day - LPK Hosting- @Dauset Trails |
| 19 | Turkey Trot?? |
| 21-25 | No School - Thanksgiving break |

DECEMBER 2022

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| 2 or 3 | Holiday Party |
| 10 | Oteam - A12 Chattahoochee Bend, Newnan, GA |
| 10 | Rifle - Anniston, AL |
| XX | Sleigh Bell Race |
| 15 | Early Release |
| 16 | Early Release |
| 19-Jan 4 | No School - Winter Holiday Break |

JANUARY 2023

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| 4 | Kell PLA - 7a-12p - 10 cadets needed |
| 5 | Return to school |
| 11 | Change of Command/Chili Cookoff |
| 16 | No School - MLK Day |
| 20-21 | Rifle - A12 - Anniston, AL |
| 28 | Brain Brawl @ Sprayberry HS |

FEBRUARY 2023

4 Brain Brawl @ Hillgrove HS
20 - 24 Winter Break

MARCH 2023

4 Area 12 Drill Competition
11 or 25 **Military Ball**
17- 19 Oteam - NNOC @ Hard Labor Creek State Park

APRIL 2023

3 - 7 *No School - Spring Break*

MAY 2023

XX **Annual Awards Ceremony/Change of Command**

24 *Last day of School*