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# WOLFPACK BATTALION

## CARPE OPPORTUNUM

### Welcome Back!

Let's hear it from the top 3



**Commander**  
LTC Preston Eder

"I am glad to be back and see all of the returning and new cadets. The Wolfpack Battalion will do wonderful things this year."

**Command Sergeant Major**  
CSM Cayden Blackman

"Hello Wolfpack battalion, I am your Command Sergeant Major and Drill Team Captain! My goals are to meet each of you and ensure that this year is the best JROTC year you will have. To do all of this, I need your help, join my team, the Drill Team. Have fun, be safe and stay out of trouble!"

**Executive Officer**  
MAJ Larissa Chapa

"I am your Battalion Executive Officer. I am excited about this year and all the amazing things that await us. I cannot wait to see how we will grow as a battalion. I look forward to meeting you all."

### Reflection Corner



Dictionary is the only place that success comes before work. Hard work is the price we must pay for success. I think you can accomplish anything if you're willing to pay the price.

— Vince Lombardi —

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### JROTC CREED

I am an Army Junior ROTC Cadet.

I will always conduct myself to bring credit to my family, country, school, and the Corps of Cadets.

I am loyal and patriotic.

I am the future of the United States of America.

I do not lie, cheat or steal and will always be accountable for my actions and deeds.

I will always practice good citizenship and patriotism.

I will work hard to improve my mind and strengthen my body.

I will seek the mantle of leadership and stand prepared to uphold the Constitution and the American way of life.

May God grant me the strength to always live by this creed.

**Public Affairs Officer**  
CPT Jeanelys Dugrot

## The Monthly

The Latest and Greatest

This is Cadet CPT Jeanelys Dugrot, your PAO! I am the battalion's media specialist responsible for the production and publication of all events. On behalf of the staff, we are honored to welcome you to the 2022-2023 school year! We hope you have enjoyed your summer and are ready for a full and fun year of leading and learning! Our newsletter will be released on the first of every month. I also encourage all cadets to check out the Newsome JROTC website, Facebook, and Instagram for regular updates. This year you can expect to stay busy with our specially planned events and activities. Keep an eye out for those dates listed on the second page! I can't wait to see what the year brings and how all our new members will contribute. Remember cadets, teamwork is the key to success, so let's use plenty of it!



**Lieutenant Colonel**  
Eric Deal

"Welcome back - I hope that you all had a great summer! I want to start by welcoming CSM Leonard Meeks, our new Army Instructor, to the Wolfpack JROTC family. He is a great addition to the team, and we are blessed to have him. I'm very excited to start this new school year. We have great Company and Battalion leadership teams in place, and I can't wait to see what the Wolfpack Battalion accomplishes this school year. I'm also proud to announce that we have received approval from the School District to start using our Obstacle Course. For the first time

**Command Sergeant Major**  
Leonard Meeks

"Hello, Wolfpack Battalion! I am retired Command Sergeant Major Leonard Meeks. Thank you for the warm welcome; I am pleased to be here and to teach the LET 1's the leadership skills necessary to excel in life. I can't wait to see what this year will bring for not only me but our program. Let's have a good year!"

**First Sergeant**  
Jamie Castro

"I am extremely excited to be teaching the LET 2s and 3s this year, along with the LET 4s and 1s. We have so many activities and events to execute and accomplish. The LET 1s look promising this year, and I know my LET2s and 3s will set the example for them. My goals for this year are for the leaders of this program to develop themselves while coaching and mentoring their subordinates. We should strive for perfection and discipline but understand and expect failure - to see failure as an opportunity to guide and teach the standard. So get ready to have an exciting and eventful

ever, Newsome will be hosting the Area 9 Raider Meet this year on November 5th, and we will need lots of volunteers to help run this event. JROTC will provide you with many opportunities both in and out of the classroom; I encourage you to join a special team, participate in a Service-Learning Project, and get involved!”

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## Up and Coming

### Important Dates

- 9/5 Labor Day
- 9/10 Travis Manion 9-11 Run
- 9/10 World Suicide Prevention Day
- Birthday announcements!

### There is no “I” in Team

- Raiders: Monday - Thursday
- Rifle: Monday - Thursday
- Drill: Tuesday & Thursday
- Color Guard: Tuesday & Thursday
- Cyberpatriot: Monday & Wednesday
- JLAB: Wednesday

### Competition Dates

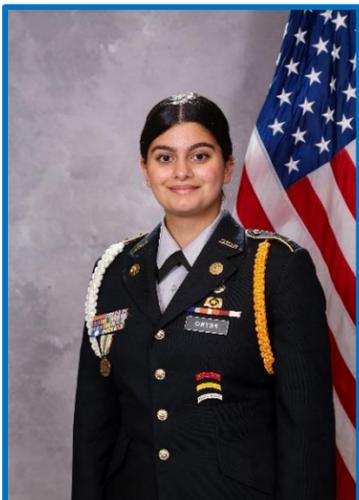
- 9/10 Cyber practice Round #1
- 9/17 NHS/HHS/EBHS Rifle Meet
- 9/17 USF Suncoast Stakes Raider Meet
- 9/24 ZHS/SMA Raider Meet

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO...

- Cadet Ayden Hall
- Cadet Connor McColgan
- Cadet Paul Emmett
- Cadet Hayden Gorkin
- Cadet Tara Pierce
- Cadet George Knoll
- Cadet Christopher Otto
- Cadet Daniel Alerta
- Cadet Landon Brown
- Cadet Alexandria Stevens
- Cadet Sheeree Anjum
- Cadet Anya Johnston
- Cadet Hunter Wilk
- Cadet Callen Carroll



## Meet the Staff



“My job is to manage JUM’s which is a site where all cadet info like promotions, awards, and the cadet challenge is kept. I update this regularly, as do the company XOs. I make the criteria for awards and senior medallion. I also collect birthdays. I’m very excited for this school year, we have great leadership, and I can’t wait to see new leaders come into the program!”

- Cadet CPT Rachel Petro S-1

“Leadership, “is about making others better as a result of your presence and making sure that impact lasts in your absence.”

-Sandberg



“Hey, everybody! My job is to maintain and conduct periodic inspections of the rifles. If you have anything wrong with your rifle, you can bring it to me, and ill fix it in a jiffy! I am excited about this year and what will come with it.”

- Cadet CPT Mason Fischer S-2



"Hi, my primary responsibilities as the S-3 are to manage the execution of the battalion events, and supervision of the team's Captains. I am so excited to start this year and meet all the new cadets. "PS" Join the Rifle team."

- Cadet MAJ  
Anabel Vega  
S-3



"I am most excited to be working with my team. The logistics officer is mainly about the inventory of supplies in the Newsome battalion. From berets, pins, to shoes and pants the S4 section has to make sure everyone gets what they need, and that there will be enough supplies for future projects. Having a team that cares about their work and wants to get their job done motivates me to continue my work. No matter the challenge, thanks to the S4's incredible team, we will overcome anything."

- Cadet CPT  
Grace Dinarte  
S-4



"Hi, I'm the battalion S-5. My job includes long term planning for special events, including Drill Day, Military ball, Field Day, and smaller events to boost morale throughout the year. I'm excited about the upcoming school year and all the amazing events this year. I hope everyone enjoys the events and the program this year!"

- Cadet CPT  
Mikayla Maresca  
S-5



"My job as the S-6 may not be as impressive as any of the other sections, but it is an important one, nonetheless. Maintaining all of our program's tech, both inside and outside of the classroom, is a job that I very much enjoy doing. I am very excited to start this year and be one step closer to the real world."

- Cadet CPT  
Robert Gauvreau  
S-6



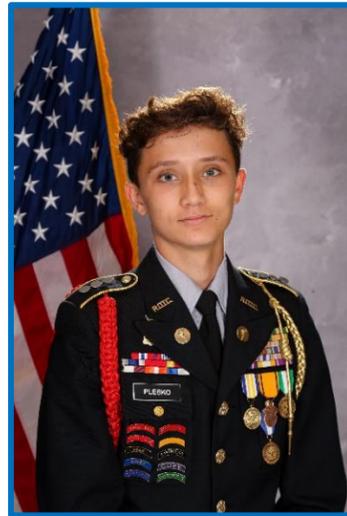
"I am so pumped for this year! My primary responsibilities are running the Randall middle school club, recruiting incomers and current high schoolers into the program, and giving current seniors information about scholarships. I'm so excited about all the Randall club meetings! I love sharing how much I enjoy JROTC and seeing everyone grow in the program!"

- Cadet CPT  
Sloane Whitford  
S-7



"Hi, I'm the battalion S-8. I work the finances for the battalion and do fundraisers to support our goals. I'm really excited to start the year, and I would love to raise as much money as we can to ensure we acquire the resources we need to be successful."

- Cadet CPT  
Sharath Srinivasan  
S-8



"Hi, the IG section is in charge of honor company, company awards, AARs, company inspections/standards, and CIP briefs. My main goal this year is to prepare early for major training events and JPA. I look forward to the company leadership teaching and mentoring the next generation of cadets. New streamers are added, and the honor company system revolves around the overall competitiveness of each company and its leadership."

- Cadet MAJ  
Luke Plesko  
Inspector General

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