JROTC Meeting Comments/Questions October 27, 2016

What does JROTC cost the district?

Fiscal Year 2017 estimated costs are District cost \$567,500 and Department of Defense cost is estimated at \$432,500 for the current 5 units

What percent of JROTC does not go into the military?

For the class of 2015 out of 116 seniors, 52 planned on attending a 4 year college or university, 23 a 2 year college, 3 planned on pursuing a career and/or advanced certification and 12 were undecided based on self reporting. Class of 2016 data is being submitted by the schools.

What percent JROTC go career vs 4 year enlistment?

SPPS does not have this information.

What exposure do JROTC have to recruiters?

Just like all high school students public data for JROTC cadets is available to recruiters. There is no in classroom recruitment. In Saint Paul Public Schools, the following information about students is public:

- Name
- Birth Date
- Grade
- School
- Dates of Enrollment
- Awards Received
- Extra-Curricular Information (including height and weight of athletes)

Both the Minnesota Legislature and the United States Congress have passed laws requiring public schools to also release addresses and telephone numbers of students in high school to military recruiters. You have the option of refusing to release this information regarding yourself/your student. If you do not want Saint Paul Public Schools to release information about yourself/your son or daughter to military recruiters, please fill out the military opt out form and return it to your school. Either the student or the parent may choose not to release information to military recruiters. That choice will remain in effect until the parent submits a written request to the school allowing the release of information to military recruiters.

For more information regarding directory/public information, please visit <u>Student Records and Your</u> Rights.

Enrollment in JROTC reflects the diversity of each schools' population. Their input is given via their election to enroll in the classes and their active participation in the classes.

Why can we afford JROTC but not anything else!

Information about the school district budget that includes school and program budget can be found here.