

JLAB 2019 JROTC UNIT BEST PRACTICE

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<u>JROTC Unit Best Practice (one per form only):</u> Recruitment

Discussion (The who, what, when, where and how of the Best Practice, e.g., components of the function, organization (staff responsibilities, command and control), resources needed (money, people, supplies, transportation, and equipment) timeline from planning to completion, etc.):

The menehune battalion is the third largest in the state despite Waimea High School being among the smallest in the state. In addition we have the largest percent of student enrollment in the state. Therefore one of our best practices is recruitment.

Our battalion's special teams have built a reputation of success for our program. People want to be a part of a winning team, and because our unit consistently demonstrates success through our special teams, people want to join. Our unit's success lets cadets feel a sense of pride in it. Our high school is one of the smallest schools on island; the other schools' football teams outnumber us two to one. Due to this, only a few of our teams win. When you live on the westside of Kauai, you are used to hearing that your school is trash. However, as a member of our battalion, you hear that we're winning; that we are respected as one of our states finest units. The Menehune Battalion's success allows its cadets to feel pride in something.

In addition the program is deeply rooted in our community. Almost every week there is some type of event our program is participating in. The Menehune Battalion has become a cornerstone in the community, with an upstanding reputation. Our battalion helps out at our feeder schools often. In our community, kids grow up seeing the battalion at events, so it has become familiar to them. Due to our presence in the community and our upstanding reputation, people know us and want to join.

We all do some things better than others. Likewise, some JROTC units are better at some things than other JROTC units. We call those Best Practices. We think that the "best" best practices come from the best units. If your unit's day-to-day performance is a reflection of your accomplishments on JLAB Level I and Level II, and we think that it is, then we believe your unit to be among the best. We want you to tell us about your best practice(s). Complete and submit this form on one or more of your unit's best practices. Use a separate form for each Best Practice. Be detailed in your report so that the other 3,400+ JROTC units in the country with whom we will share it can read and execute it without questions! This report form is designed to expand as you type. It should accommodate your report without attachments. Should that not be the case, submit your report(s) in a format that works for you. Please name your file with your school name.

Below is a non-all-inclusive list of possible unit best practices.

- Academic Team
- Drill Team
- Orienteering Team
- Raider Challenge Team
- Rifle Team
- Color Guard
- Marksmanship Training
- Awards Ceremony
- Awards support from outside organizations
- Cadet retention in JROTC

- Fundraising
- Leadership Team
- JCLC
- Service Learning/Community Service
- Military Ball
- Cadet Commander and Staff Organization and Functions
- Cadet Scholarships
- Technology support of unit from school and community
- Educational and Orientation Trips
- Cadet Challenge

THIS IS NOT A GRADED ASSIGNMENT BUT IT IS REQUIRED FOR YOUR TEAM TO COMPETE IN THE CHAMPIONSHIPS.