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Perry High AFJROTC Distinguished Unit & Silver Star Awards



HOUSTON COUNTY, GA - Perry High School's Air Force Junior ROTC (AFJROTC) unit GA-066 was selected to receive the Academic Year 2017-2018 AFJROTC Distinguished Unit Award (DUA). This award recognizes units that performed well beyond normal expectations and distinguished themselves through outstanding service to their school and community while meeting the AFJROTC citizen development mission for America. Perry High is one of 276 units of more than 900 units worldwide to be recognized with this award.

The school also earned the Silver Star Community Service with Excellence Award.

This prestigious award recognizes the top 5% of all AFJROTC units.

Perry's cadets are pictured during a community service activity at the Summerhill Retirement Home. The students are providing a saber team and escorts for the ladies in wheel chairs.

The objectives of the AFJROTC program are to educate and train high school cadets in citizenship and life skills; promote community service; instill responsibility, character, and self-discipline through character education, and to provide instruction in air and space fundamentals. Enrollment is open to high school students who are in the 9th to 12 grades.

This year, more than 120,000 cadets in the USA, Europe, the Pacific and Puerto Rico did over 1.6 million hours of community service. The award is earned by AFJROTC units with the highest per cadet average of community service that are planned and conducted by cadets under the supervision of instructors. This year, AFJROTC cadets, worldwide, conducted 1,674,951 community service hours.

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Since 2006, Perry High School's AFJROTC program has earned 12 DUAs, 6 DUAs with merit (every time eligible), and one Outstanding Organization Award. Perry High School is located at 1307 North Avenue in Perry. For more information, please contact Col. Lightfoot at Craig.Lightfoot@hcbe.net or 478-988-6318.

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