



Civil Air Patrol's

School Enrichment Program

"Building a Better Tomorrow, One Student at a Time"

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Who is the Civil Air Patrol?

➤ *Formed December 1, 1941, Civil Air Patrol is a nonprofit, humanitarian organization and the official auxiliary of the United States Air Force.*





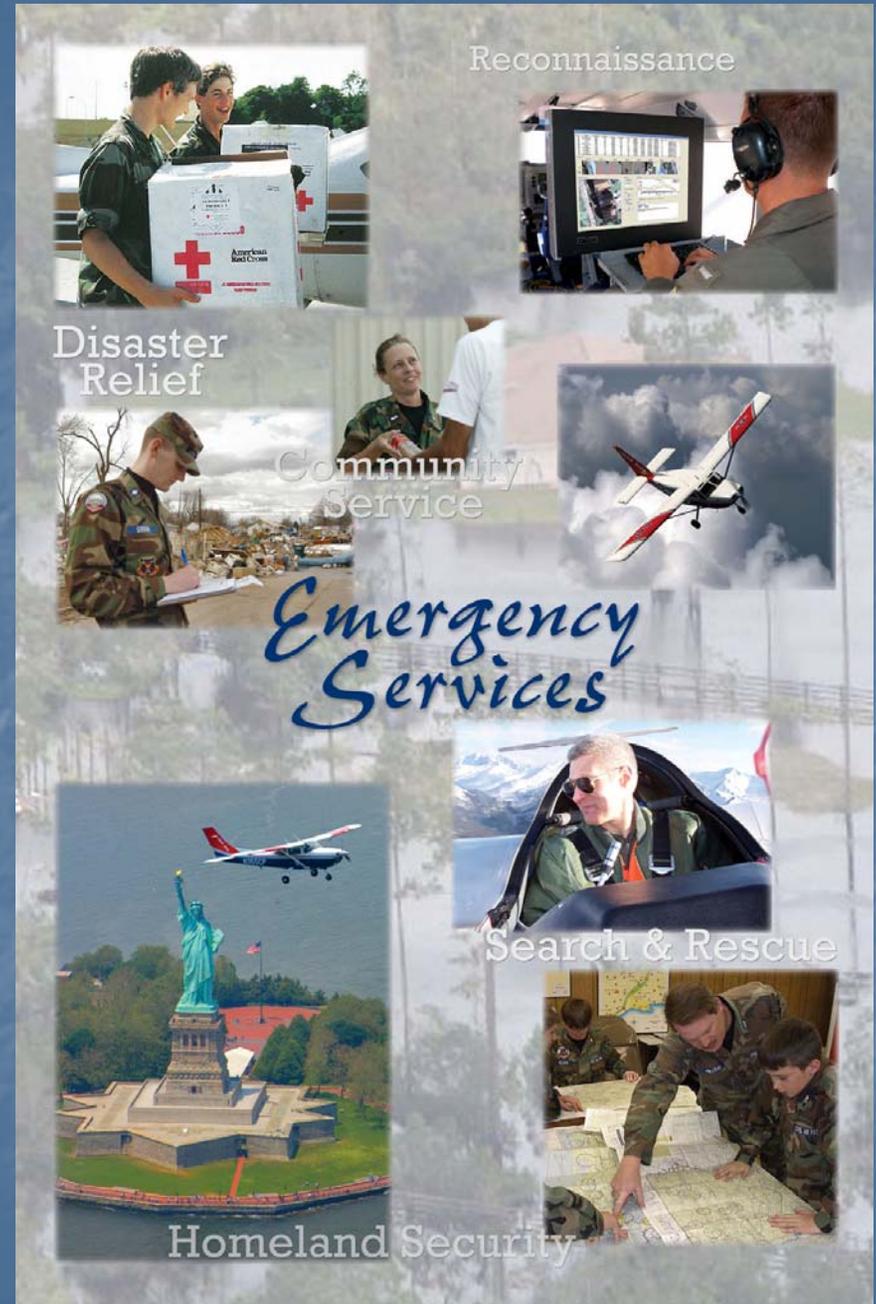
What does CAP do for America?

➤ *The approximately 56,000 volunteer members carry out the missions of Civil Air Patrol which include...*



➤ *Emergency Services:*

- *search and rescue,*
- *disaster relief, and*
- *homeland security*





➤ *Cadet Programs:*

*mentoring young people
to become responsible
citizens*



Leadership
Training



Encampments



Problem Solving



Cadet Programs

Teamwork

Character
Building



Scholarships



➤ *Aerospace Education:*

- *preparing the future aerospace workforce of tomorrow*



Fly-a-Teacher Program

Aviation



Rocketry

Aerospace Education



Career Education



Space Exploration





What is the School Enrichment Program (SEP)?

- Integration of the CAP Cadet and Aerospace Education programs into the public, private, parochial, and homeschool classrooms of America



What does the School Enrichment Program offer the schools of America?

- An all-inclusive program to include:
 - Character Education
 - Leadership Development
 - Aerospace Education
 - Physical Fitness



Why is the SEP Needed?

- > American schools need structured programs to include:
 - character education to combat negative societal forces
 - leadership opportunities to prepare productive and responsible future citizens
 - academics to meet future workforce needs
 - physical fitness training to create a healthy and drug-free lifestyle

Educators trained in CAP's SEP can address these needs in the classroom.



Why is the SEP Important to America?

- > America needs at least 20,000 more engineers due to factors such as:
 - an aging aerospace industry workforce
 - increased demand for new technical careers
 - lack of interest of youth toward "attractiveness" of aerospace careers
 - less than 15% of American high school students pursuing engineering degrees and aerospace careers
 - lengthy security clearance for foreign nationals who *are* working toward aerospace careers

Resolution lies in the K-12 classrooms of America that will include STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) curriculum initiatives.



What grade levels can participate in the SEP?

- Currently grades 6-12
- Junior Cadet Program for grades K-5 is being piloted for implementation in the 2007-2008 school year
- Future extension into college level



Where are current School Enrichment Programs (SEPs) located?

- 70 current SEPs for grades 6-12 located in:
AL, AZ, CA, DC, FL, GA, ID, IN, LA, NC, NM, NY, PA,
SC, TX
- Current "*Junior Cadet*" pilot program for grades K-5 located in Philadelphia, PA
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School Enrichment Program

Vision:

Motivating America's students to become responsible citizens.

Mission:

The CAP School Enrichment Program (SEP) partners with educational institutions, community organizations, industry, and government to educate students on the principles of effective leadership, the strength of integrity, the knowledge of aerospace and related career opportunities, and the benefits of physical fitness in preparation for life as productive American citizens.



School Enrichment Program

Goal of the SEP Champions:

"How can the CAP School Enrichment Program help improve the educational programs of our country? First, we can not and will not change the tragedies happening in the schools of America right away. What we can change right away is the sense of pride children take in attending school. The desire to attend will increase; attendance for the CAP cadets in one school went from 86 % to 98.8 %. Grades will increase; D & F grades are becoming C's, B's and A's.

"With 67 schools and over 2,500 young people, this is the kind of change the SEPs all across our country are making on a daily basis. Our goal is to capture the hearts and minds of the younger students, so that as they move up into high school they can begin a focused effort at planning for their future. If we make school and CAP a priority at a young age we will aid in the development of young disciplined, powerful, educated and patriotic citizens that will one day lead this nation."

*Colonel Al Applebaum, Pennsylvania Wing Commander
CAP National Director for the School Enrichment Program.*



Benefits to Schools

- Encourages respect for self and others
- Provides character development opportunities
- Offers positive role models for young people
- Provides leadership skill development
- Promotes patriotism and good citizenship
- Promotes a physically-fit lifestyle
- Encourages an anti-drug culture
- Reinforces academic relevance and purpose
- Provides a reward system for individual recognition to encourage positive behavior (promotions, ribbons, special activities)
- Provides career development options and opportunities



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Showing proper attention and courtesy to adult leader.



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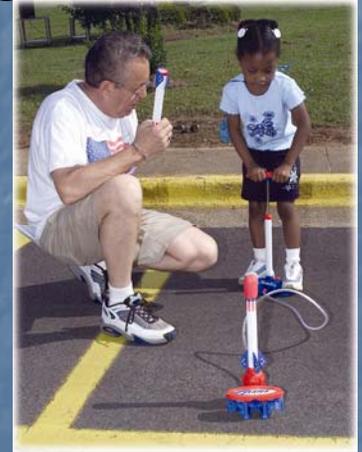


Benefits to Schools

- Offers positive role models for young people.



Meeting Major Nicole Malachowski,
a USAF Thunderbird pilot.





Benefits to Schools

- Provides leadership skill development



Offering guidance and mentoring to young students.



Benefits to Schools

- Promotes patriotism and good citizenship



Color Guard presents Colors for Community gatherings.



Benefits to Schools

- Promotes a physically-fit lifestyle





Benefits to Schools

- Encourages an anti-drug culture



Drug Demand Reduction Display



and...alternatives to drugs!

Getting high on aerospace; not on drugs!



Benefits to Schools

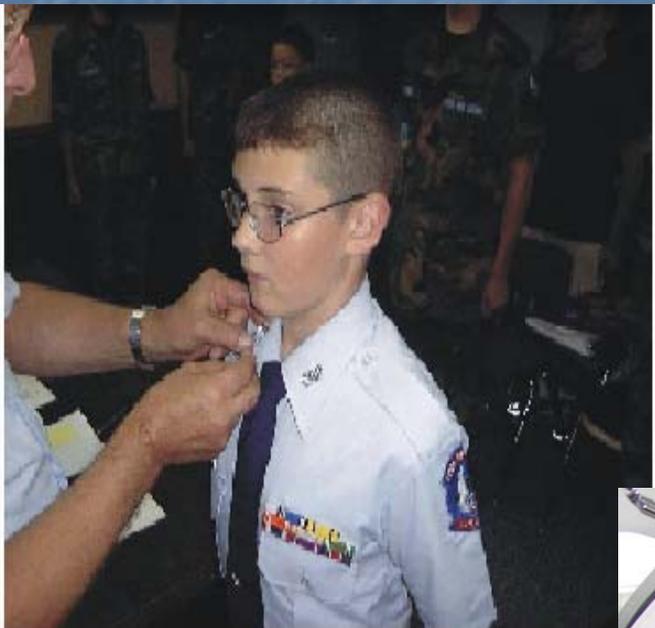
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Getting Promoted





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Keys to Successful SEP Unit Activation

- Find an interested teacher willing to work with program in the school; possibly a CAP Aerospace Education Member (teacher member)
- Provide adequate information to school administrators about program
- Decide whether the program will be an after-school program or a class held during the school day
- Locate classroom or meeting site
- Solicit funding donation(s) or grant(s) for teacher stipend and other expenses
- Recruit mentor from local CAP unit to assist in chartering unit
- Provide information to interested parents and students for cadet selection
- Provide adequate time for training of leaders and preparation of classroom and resources



Comments of Success

- *“ The students work to keep their grades up and their attendance up to be able to participate in the program. We hold them to very high standards to do what they’ve not been challenged to do in the future. Failure is not an option.”*

*-Principal Katherine McKeller-Carter,
Creighton K-8 School Philadelphia, PA*

- *“The K-5 pilot program will allow CAP to reach more young people and engage them in positive, patriotic programs that will provide enrichment. Character education, leadership training and aviation: this combination can not be beaten.”*

*- Col Al Applebaum, PA Wing Commander and
CAP National Director of the School Enrichment Program*



Comments of Success

- *"When I started the program, I was a straight F student. But today, I have become almost a straight A student in all of my classes. I was amazed at how much the program helped me."*

*-Chiane Bond, Cadet, Sierra Middle School
Las Cruces, NM*

- *"CAP has changed my daughter's life and my life drastically! I couldn't ask for anything better to happen to her."*

*- Kamme Bond, Parent
Las Cruces, NM*



Comments of Success

" Civil Air Patrol did not have to wait for Congress to enact the *No Child Left Behind* act to reach out to America's schools and their students. In 1993, nine years prior to this Congressional action, CAP's School Enrichment Program came to life as a Drug Demand Reduction initiative in a public school in Houston, Texas. It has grown steadily since then to 67 schools and over 2000 cadet students and educators. CAP volunteers recognized the needs of America's schools, many of which were struggling with the challenges of maintaining discipline, instilling a sense of pride, and meeting academic goals. We congratulate those who had the foresight to see how important this program is to our nation's youth, and to Civil Air Patrol, as well. Through their dedication, energy, hard work, and creativity, an exciting new venture has been founded."

Colonel David Mikelson

CAP National Deputy Chief of Staff for Training



"The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams."

- Eleanor Roosevelt



For More Information

- Go to www.cap.gov/ae



SEP Administrative Guide

(Being updated to reflect more efficient implementation)

SEP Yearly Lesson Plans

(Being updated to reference National Academic Standards)

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"If you can dream it, you can do it."

-Walt Disney



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Where
imagination
takes FLIGHT



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School Enrichment Program

"Building a Better Tomorrow
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- *Integrity*
- *Community Service*
- *Excellence*
- *Respect*

