

MEMO

CIVIL AIR PATROL

To: General Public
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Comments: Civil Air Patrol Cadet Program Info Night

Please join us to learn more about the Civil Air Patrol Cadet Program.

Location: 8212 M-119
Harbor Springs, MI 49740
(Aster Brand s Building Near the Airport)

Date: Tuesday, Oct 6th, 2026
Time: 6:30 PM

Open to all students ages 12–17

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Please RSVP to my email address or text me

Civil Air Patrol provides leadership, aerospace education, fitness, and character development opportunities for youth.

PROGRAM BASICS

KEY TRAITS OF CADET LIFE

- ✦ The Uniform
- ✦ Aerospace Theme
- ✦ Opportunity to Lead
- ✦ Challenge
- ✦ Fun

CORE VALUES

- ✦ Integrity
- ✦ Service
- ✦ Excellence
- ✦ Respect

PROGRAM ENVIRONMENT

- ✦ Adult volunteers supervise & mentor cadets
- ✦ 1,000 hometown squadrons
- ✦ 2 hour weekly meeting
- ✦ 1 "Saturday" event monthly
- ✦ Annual, week-long, overnight encampment
- ✦ No military commitment

CONTENT AREAS

LEADERSHIP skills for a diverse, democratic society

AEROSPACE career explorations

FITNESS and the lifelong habit of regular exercise

CHARACTER for making good choices

OUR CHALLENGES

#1 FACTOR FOR SUCCESS

Strong adult leadership at the local level

#1 NEED FOR GROWTH

Financial support for disadvantaged youth

DEMOGRAPHICS

All statistics are rounded averages



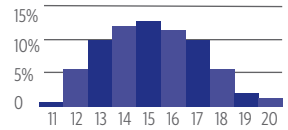
Total enrollment
about 25,000



75% white
25% non-white



75% male
25% female



Median age 15.6



Out-of-pocket
costs average
\$200 - \$400.
Financial aid is
available.



24,000 powered flights yearly



10,000 glider flights yearly

OUTCOMES

CADETS

- 97% "CAP has been a turning point in my life."
- 96% "I've started to think more about my future because of CAP."
- 87% "I do things at CAP I can't do anywhere else."
- 82% "I earn As & Bs at school"
- 81% "I am interested in a military career."
- 76% "I am interested in an aviation career."
- 65% "I am interested in a STEM career."

PARENTS

- 95% "My cadet has become better at taking feedback."
- 92% "I've seen improvements in my cadet's overall attitude."
- 78% "My cadet's performance at school has improved."

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