

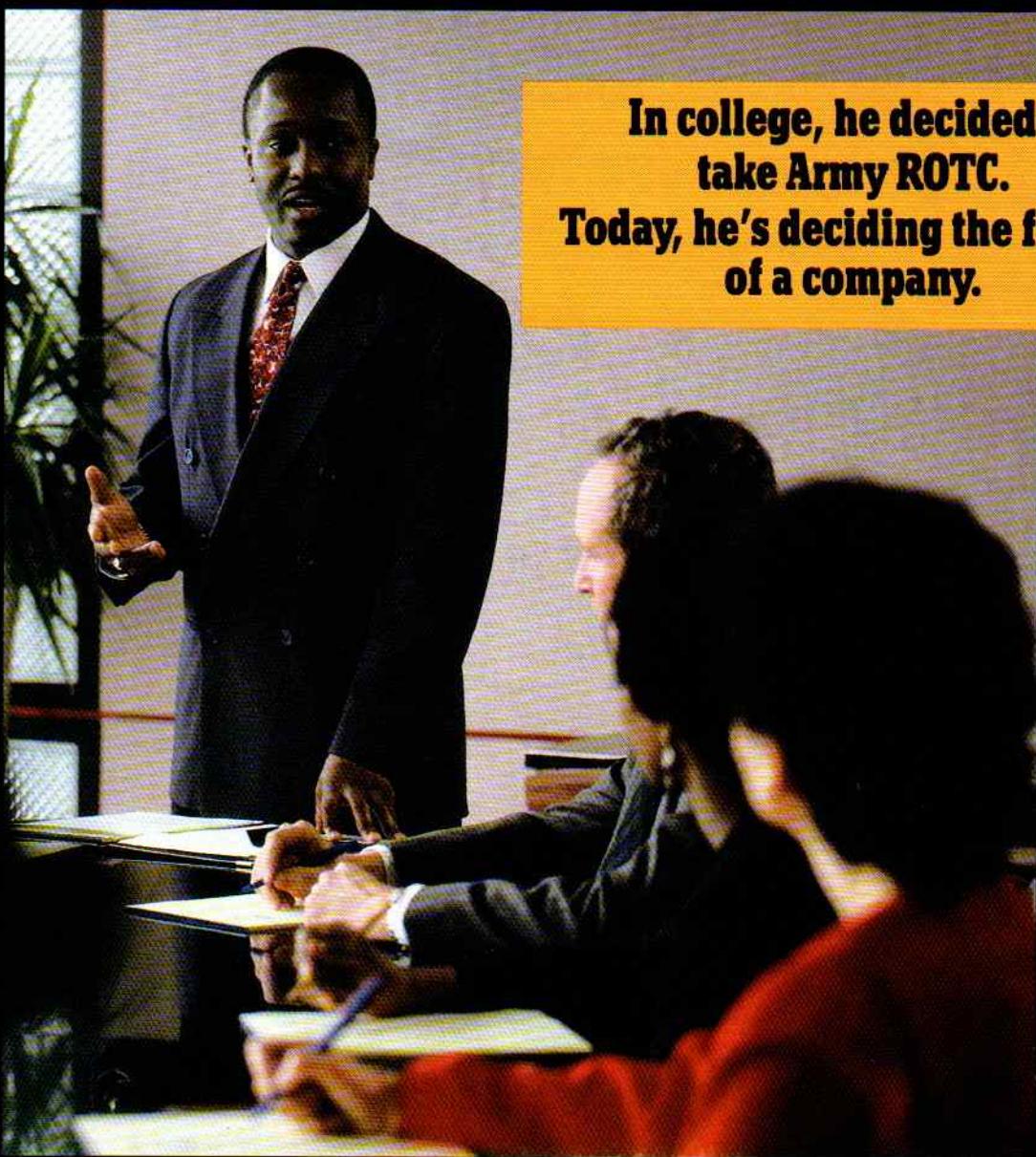
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## BACK COVER

**Top:** The San Juan Guard Army drill team of Theodore Roosevelt HS (San Antonio, Texas) displays their trademark enthusiasm as they capture the National Championship in Demilitarized Arms. **Middle:** Upon entering the National's Awards Ceremony, cadets and spectators are greeted by this panoramic vision of the most spectacular trophies awarded in all of competition drill. **Bottom:** Just prior to the National's Awards Ceremony, these Fern Creek HS Marine Corps cadets from Louisville, Kentucky proudly serenade the panel of judges with the Marine Corps Hymn.

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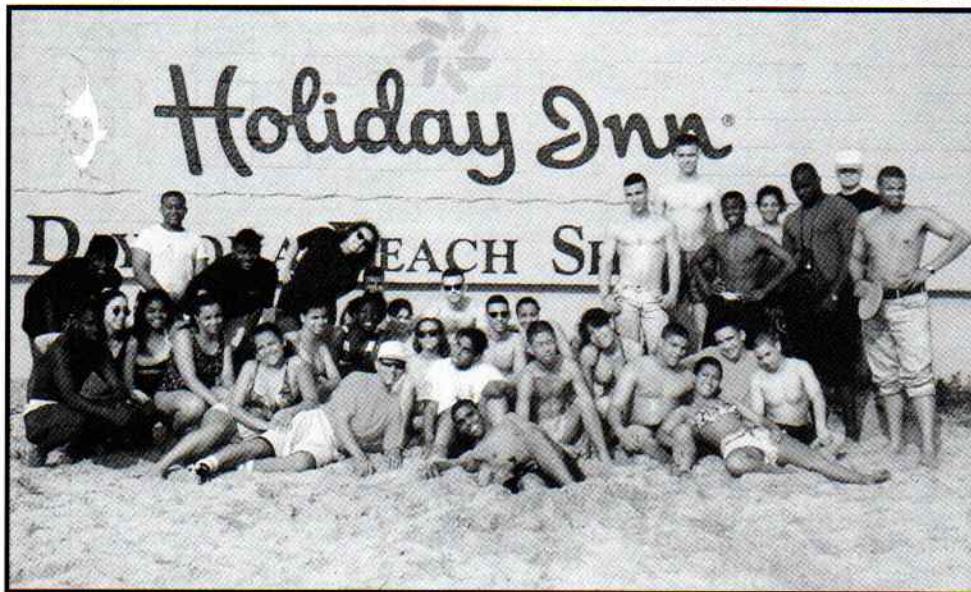
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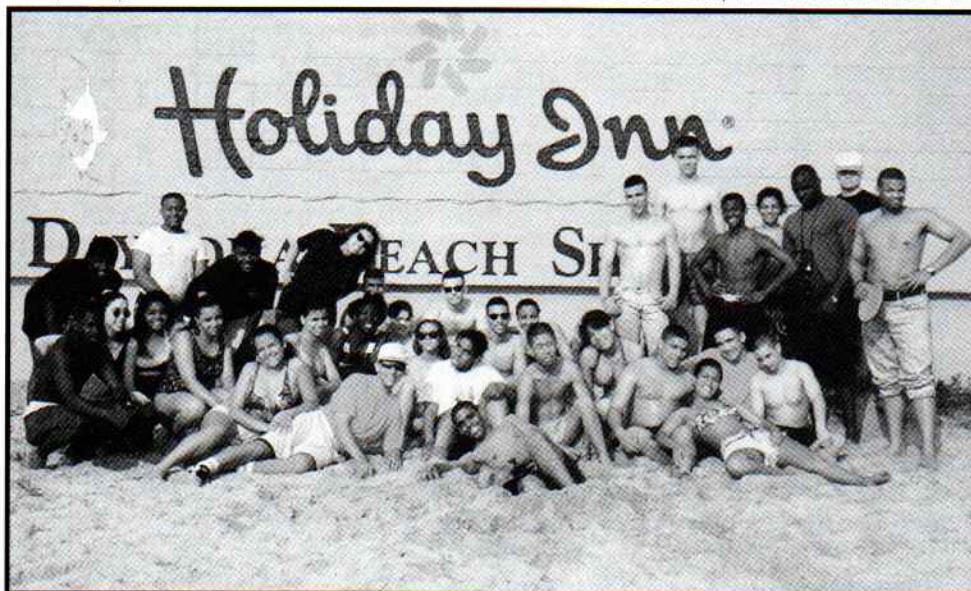
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**Regional drill strength was on full display at the impressive 1995 National Capital Drill Classic**

Spirited spectators, nervous instructors, and a packed competition field paved the way for the most exciting, competitive event in the history of the **National Capital Drill Classic**. The 1995 NCDC competition provided the ideal vehicle for many of the area's finest drill units to "strut their stuff". Schools now focus on the NCDC by putting in that extra effort in the hopes of winning "bragging rights" that go with being the big kid on the block!

The NCDC remains a showcase of regional JROTC talent with schools attending mainly from **Maryland, Virginia, Delaware and Washington, DC**. The NCDC event is held annually in late March and is sponsored by the **U.S. Army Cadet Command**. The event is run on-site by national Event Manager, **Sports Network International**.

The **DC National Guard Armory** provided a perfect venue for the record-setting competition field of 44 schools and 58 Armed and Unarmed competition teams. From the facility staff, all the way up to Armory **Commanding General, Russell C. Davis, USAF**, everyone continues to go out of their way to ensure that each participant is treated as an honored guest of this historic military facility.

Support for the NCDC is also extended through the **DC Capital Guardians**, the **DC Armory Board**, as well as the **97th ARCOM**, the **80th Training Division**, the **Air Force Honor Guard** and our longtime friends within the Washington area **Marine Corps** stations. Recognition for a job well-done goes out to the members of the ROTC unit at **Howard University** who provided the necessary security during the single-day drill event. Without the support of all of these selfless individuals, the NCDC would not be possible.

The 1995 NCDC began with the colorful opening ceremony featuring the presentation and posting of the colors from all competing units, as well as a rousing opening speech from **Colonel Joseph C. Dyer**, Commander, US Army Cadet Command, 4th Brigade. Other notable highlights of the event included an incredible exhibition performance from the **U.S. Marine Corps Silent Drill Platoon**. The precision of this thrilling exhibition unit held the 2,000 spectators in a silence which was punctuated by a well-deserved standing ovation at the conclusion of their stirring show.



## Armed Division Highlights

In the tightest competition in the 4-year history of the NCDC, **Forest Park High School** from Baltimore, Maryland captured the overall Armed Division Championship title. Consistency was the key factor as the **Executioners** drill team captured a 1st place in Unit Inspection, two 3rd place finishes in Color Guard and Regulation Drill, and a 4th place in Exhibition Drill in the four team events. Amassing a total of 4,123 overall points, Forest Park held off their nearest rival by a **scant 23 points** to gain the school their first-ever Division Championship.

**Benedictine HS** from Richmond, Virginia gave everything they had and came within a whisker of taking home the gold. Capturing a 1st place (Exhibition), a 2nd place (Inspection), a 4th place (Color Guard) and a 5th place (Regulation), the hard-charging **Black's Gold** drill team improves every year and continues to finish well at both Regional and National drill levels.

Coming in 3rd place overall in the tight Armed Division, **T.C. Williams HS** from Alexandria, Virginia displayed their standard of drill excellence, capturing a 1st (Color Guard), a 2nd (Regulation) and two 3rd place finishes (Inspection and Exhibition). The **Armageddon Blue** drill unit fell short of a 2nd place overall finish by only 6 points, but their performance was outstanding and deserving of recognition.

Other top Armed performances were turned in by: **Oak Ridge Military Academy** (1st place Regulation, 2nd place Exhibition and 4th place Inspection); **John Marshall HS** (2nd place Color Guard & 5th place Inspection); **Woodbridge HS** (4th place Regulation); **Magruder HS** (5th place Color Guard); and **Lake Clifton/Eastern HS** (5th place Exhibition).

## Unarmed Division Highlights

**T.C. Williams High School** from Alexandria, Virginia displayed the poise and talent that makes them an annual force on the drill circuit, winning the always-tough Unarmed Division competition at the NCDC. The **Armageddon Red** drill unit featured an outstanding Regulation Drill performance, capturing that event. The team also earned 4th place finishes in both Color Guard and Exhibition Drill competitions, winning the Division championship by 140 points with an overall total of 4,046 points.

Annual contender **Lake Clifton/Eastern HS** gained the Division runner-up crown. The **Blue Knights** drill team captured the Inspection competition and placed 2nd in the Unarmed Exhibition event. The runner-up title was won over third place finisher **Forest Park HS** by a scant 15 overall points. The **Untouchables** of Forest Park gained two 3rd place finishes (Inspection & Regulation) and a 5th place (Color Guard) finish, with only a sub-par Exhibition routine keeping this powerhouse unit from winning the division.

Other strong finishers in the Unarmed Division included: a 1st place Exhibition and a 4th place Regulation finish by always-impressive **Dover HS**; a 2nd place Inspection and a 3rd place Exhibition finish by **Southern HS**; a 1st place Color Guard and 4th place Inspection finish by **Howard HS**; and a 2nd place Regulation and 3rd place Color Guard finish by **Patrick County HS**.

Other overall team awards included the **4th Brigade Championship Award**, awarded to the Armed Division champion **Executioners** drill team from **Forest Park High School**. Additionally, the inaugural **Mayor's Trophy**, awarded to the highest finishing JROTC unit in Washington, D.C., went to the **Coolidge Colts** drill unit from **Calvin Coolidge High School**. The trophy and a brief inspirational speech were presented at the event by **D.C. Mayor Marion Barry**.

Other memorable moments at the NCDC included poignant closing words by **Major General James M. Lyle**, Commanding General of the U.S. Army Cadet Command. His brief **"Hua"** speech left everyone in attendance with a real sense of what being a Junior ROTC cadet is all about. Finally, the presentation of the beautiful NCDC team trophies ended an outstanding day that will be remembered for a lifetime.

Sports Network International would like to thank everyone who makes the NCDC an annual part of their drill calendar. We remain humbled by the efforts that many schools undertake to attend the NCDC and are thrilled to be a part of this truly worthwhile event.

**R**ising from the ashes like a phoenix of yesteryear, MacDill AFB survived a Base Closure Commission review in both 1992 and in 1995 that had the potential to shut down this vital military installation. Due to the overall quality and essential nature of the operations at MacDill AFB, the base was not included on the final recommended closure list, and has actually expanded due to the recent decision to relocate the KC-135 Stratotanker Refueling Aircraft which will call MacDill AFB home in 1996-1997.

While none could be happier than the individuals who work in and around MacDill Air Force Base in Tampa, Florida, Sports Network International was next in line to cheer on their victory. While often not receiving the public relations notoriety of their esteemed Army and Marine Corps judging counterparts at the National High School Drill Team Championships, the MacDill Air Force judges who volunteer their time to work at the NHSDTC pull their weight *and more*.

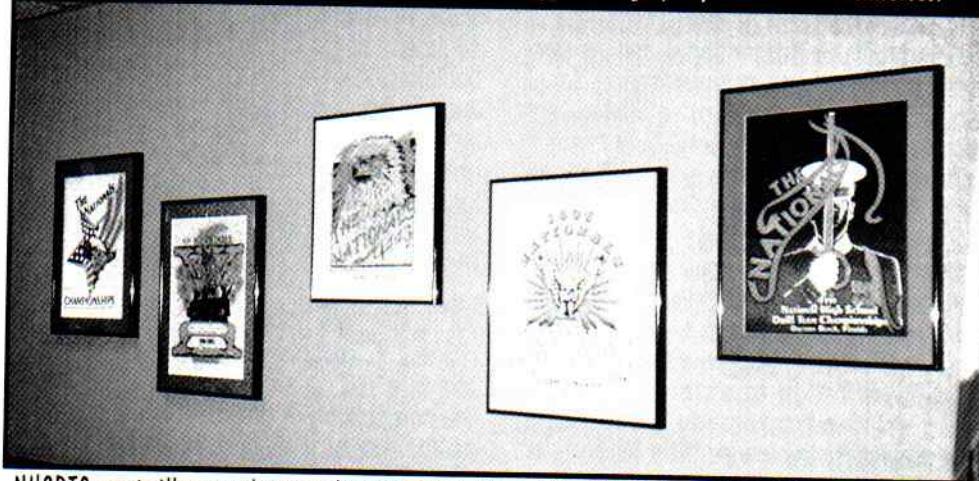
The MacDill judges are all part of the **Professional Military Education Center**. This program is designed to provide a variety of the leadership skills required at every level of enlisted supervision and management throughout the U.S. Air Force. The PME enhances the professional development of enlisted personnel by strengthening their ability to lead while gaining a much broader understanding of the military profession.

Undoubtedly, the effort these professionals exhibit in their training of 4th year enlisted Air Force personnel is the same unyielding effort we see at the Nationals. We at SNI quickly learned to expect certain givens from MacDill judges; they are bright, articulate and quick studies, they all ask good questions and they each take their duties at the NHSDTC very seriously. Most importantly, while they know their stuff inside and out when it comes to drill, they also know that understanding the event SOP is essential to doing a first-rate job.

Commandant of the PME Center and four-year judging veteran at the Nationals, **Senior Master Sergeant Gary Zinzi** gives maximum effort and attention to detail in all facets of his work, including judging at the Nationals. Leading by example and often drawing the most intense judging duties, Zinzi has served many years as a Head Judge. "We love judging at the Nationals...these are the best teams in the country," stated Zinzi

# MACDILL AIR FORCE BASE

*In the National's judging arena, where you lead, follow, or get the heck out of the way, the Air Force judges from MacDill AFB have forged a mighty reputation for themselves!*



NHSDTC event silkscreened satins adorn the main hallway of the PME Center at MacDill AFB, showcasing the pride that accompanies a job well done for five years at the National High School Drill Team Championships. shortly after the 1995 Nationals. After meeting many of the individuals who make up his PME staff, it is no surprise why this program is one of the most highly respected on MacDill AFB.

The Nationals have no bigger supporter in the country than PME Instructor TSgt. Robert Barnette, a 3-year judging veteran at the Nationals. His enthusiasm for the event is truly infectious. "I get the date (of the Nationals) early and put it on my calendar," stated Barnette. "I love the event -- it's a showcase for the leaders of tomorrow." TSgt. Barnette's love of

### **"We love judging at the Nationals....these are the best teams in the country!"**

*- SMSgt. Gary Zinzi, Commandant, PME Center*

competition drill may stem from his tour at Hill AFB where he served on the Base Honors and Ceremonies Team as one of the General's Elite Guard. This prestigious drill and ceremony position provides him with an exceptional foundation to judge a wide variety of events at the Nationals.

The event has truly become embedded into the fabric of the PME Center. Each year at SNI, the PME Center contacts our office to obtain the dates of the coming event, usually months in advance. This was certainly an unusual tactic, but we chalked it up to just being gung-ho. We later found out that the advanced notice often allowed them the ability to slightly adjust the 5-week cycles of their classes, thereby allowing maximum judging participation at the Nationals.

### **★ A Closing Salute ★**

No story that features Air Force judging at the Nationals would be complete without highlighting the uniquely outstanding judging provided throughout five years of loyal service by MSgt. Jodi Haley. Along with the demands of organizing and providing advance training to all judges attending from Patrick Air Force Base, she has undertaken many of the most intensive judging duties at the Nationals.

SNI salutes the many judges throughout the years who have been a part of the Nationals from Patrick AFB. But it has been MSgt. Haley's contribution to the National High School Drill Team Championships that shines as a beacon of service to the cadets, built on a passion for the dedication that defines Junior ROTC drill and ceremonies.

**This is your official invitation to attend the...**

# **1996 NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL**

## **Introduction**

Sports Network International, Inc. is very pleased to provide this invitation to all Junior ROTC and other non-affiliated high school-age precision drill & ceremony units to attend the 14th annual National High School Drill Team Championships in Daytona Beach, Florida. This event is open to all public and private high schools, military academies and private drill units in both Armed & Unarmed drill competitions. **This is your school's official invitation to enter the nation's finest drill and ceremony competition, affectionately known as "The Nationals".**

The **National High School Drill Team Championships** remains the premiere high school drill event in the nation. Schools travel from throughout the United States to attend this all-service spectacular. Schools who are considering entry into the NHSDTC should make plans early as competition spaces are limited to roughly forty-five schools. This is especially true for teams planning to travel across the country by bus or plane.

Sports Network International, Inc. (SNI) serves as the Event Manager for the Nationals. Hosting national athletic and military competitions since 1972, SNI is widely regarded as being the nation's oldest, most respected youth sports event manager. The 1995 National High School Drill Team Championships are proudly sponsored and supported by the U.S. Army Cadet Command.

## **Competition Guidelines**

The competition manual for the event is based on the latest edition of U.S. Army Field Manual 22-5 (Dec-1986) for the Armed competition. Unarmed competition will be based on Air Force Manual 50-14 (Jan-1992). Due to the all-service format of the event, slight modifications have been made to each of these service manuals to allow all teams, regardless of their service affiliation, the fairest possible competition. The yearly variety of services that have captured top finishes at the NHSDTC is a testament to the overall fairness of this drill competition.

The event SOP is mailed to all registered schools in mid-January. Schools having questions regarding specific rules & procedures in use for this drill meet should feel free to contact SNI before entering the competition.

## **Event Judging**

All judges at the NHSDTC maintain a strong background in military drill & ceremonies. Judges are active duty military personnel representing the four major branches of the armed forces and are drawn from these locations: MacDill AFB, FL (Air Force & Navy), Patrick AFB, FL (Air Force), Ft. Benning, GA (Army), and Parris Island, SC (Marine Corps).

All judges are given an extensive judging manual in advance of the event. They also attend a full on-site briefing on the eve of the competition. A drill meet is only as good as the judges and no other meet goes to such lengths to ensure their judges do a great job. This remains a major reason why so many teams look to end their drill season at **"The World's Most Famous Beach".**

## **Competition Events**

The NHSDTC maintains three competition divisions. Male & mixed teams using standard demilitarized weapons compete in the **Demilitarized Arms Division**. Teams competing without weapons will enter the **Unarmed Division**. Teams (regardless of their gender) using lightweight, facsimile weapons AND teams that are all-female (regardless of weapon type) will be placed into the **Facsimile Arms/Female Division**.

### **Armed Division**

#### **Demilitarized Arms Division**

- ★ Unit Inspection (12 + Commander)
- ★ Squad Regulation (8-11 + Commander)
- ★ Color Guard (4-person only)
- ★ Squad Exhibition (8-11 + Commander)
- ★ Platoon Exhibition (13 & over-no max)

#### **Unarmed Division**

- ★ Unit Inspection (12 + Commander)
- ★ Regulation Drill (8-12 + Commander)
- ★ Color Guard (4-person only) (with arms)
- ★ Exhibition Drill (13 & over-no max)

Schools may enter up to two complete teams in each of the competition divisions listed above, as long as no cadet competes for more than one team. Therefore, schools entering both an armed and unarmed team (for example) are encouraged to do so, but the two teams must have separate, distinct names and individual rosters of cadets. This rule allows maximum participation from deserving cadets across the country.

All armed units may have up to two entries (per team) compete in both Individual & Dual Exhibition events. Also, ALL cadets are eligible and encouraged to compete in both the Armed and Unarmed Knockout Drills, *regardless of what division they participated in*. We encourage all schools to enter all of their cadets into both Knockout competitions.

Schools are not required to enter every team event within a competition division. Limited spaces are available for units who wish to enter only one or two team events. These spaces are very popular for units who wish to enter just a color guard unit or just the individual & dual exhibition event and/or the Knockout Drills. This is encouraged by SNI and provides many new units an opportunity to "get their feet wet" at the Nationals without the need to enter all team events. In some cases, these single event entry spaces remain open until approximately a month before the Nationals are held.

## **NHSDTC Event Specifics**

The National High School Drill Team Championships are held at the impressive **Ocean Center Civic Arena** in Daytona Beach, Florida in late Spring every year. This state-of-the-art facility features permanent seating for over 6,000 with outstanding amenities for a drill team competition the size and scope of the Nationals. The Ocean Center also features a complete concession area, plentiful bus & car parking and ample male and female dressing rooms with full shower facilities. **All cadets and instructors who have ever attended the Nationals will attest that the Ocean Center remains the most exceptional drill & ceremony facility currently in use in the United States.**

Teams are housed on Daytona Beach at one of several oceanfront hotels utilized for the Nationals. All of these hotels are grouped together, located within minutes of the Ocean Center Arena.

All units are expected to be represented at the NHSDTC Commander's Call held Thursday evening at the headquarter's hotel. At this meeting, all teams are presented their competition schedules, have last minute questions answered, and receive a short briefing on the Nationals by NHSDTC Judging Director, Justin Gates.

# DRILL TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS

The drill competition begins the following morning (Friday) at 0800. The event opens with team competition in all three divisions. Events are held throughout the day and early evening on Friday and Saturday. The competition concludes on Saturday afternoon with the Knockout competition. The event ends Saturday evening when all competing teams attend the NHSDTC Awards Ceremony at the Ocean Center Conference Center at 2030.

## Awards and Trophies

The Nationals feature the most beautiful trophies presented anywhere in the world. National Championship and Runner-Up National Championship trophies will be awarded in the Demilitarized Arms, Facsimile Arms/Female, and the Unarmed competition divisions. **The impressiveness of these trophies is legendary.**

Team events in each of the competition divisions will be trophied in **first through fifth place**. Additionally, all schools who compete for a National Championship (those entering all team events in a division) will receive a special NHSDTC plaque noting highlighted accomplishments of their team(s).

Individual trophies will be presented to each cadet finishing in first through third place in the Individual and Dual Exhibition events in both the Demilitarized Arms and Facsimile Arms/Female Divisions at the NHSDTC. Regulation Drill Cadet Commanders in all divisions will also compete for first through third place trophies. Also, the top 30 finishers in both the Armed & Unarmed Knockout Drills will receive a special hand-painted, cloissons medallion hung on a red, white & blue neck ribbon immediately following the Knockout Drill competition.

## Costs to Attend

All units at the National High School Drill Team Championships attend the event through the **Team Package Plan**. This plan is designed to ensure all cadets, instructors, and other team followers are given the enjoyment of staying together in superb oceanfront hotel billets with other schools from across the country. Additionally, the Team Package Plan provides treasured competition mementos, and even more importantly, **provides all units with a top-quality, first-class drill event.**

### Team Package Plan Includes:

- ◆ *Four days & three nights billeting in one of six oceanfront hotels on Daytona Beach*
- ◆ *Specially-minted NHSDTC bronze medallion on a goldtone neckchain*
- ◆ *Specially-designed NHSDTC t-shirt for all cadets, ordered to size*
- ◆ *Specially-designed NHSDTC golf-style sports-shirt for all adults, ordered to size*
- ◆ *Swiss-embroidered four-inch NHSDTC patch designed especially for the event*
- ◆ *8" X 10" glossy color team photograph*
- ◆ *Discount coupons at local pizza, fast food and sandwich shops in the area*

The price of the Team Package Plan, based on staying four-to-a-room, is only \$89.00 per person for the full four day / three night package. A shortened Team Package Plan is also available (three days/two nights) for those units who choose to condense their stay, at a slightly lower cost.

**All participants and instructors** attend the NHSDTC through the Team Package Plan. Parents and other team followers may attend through this plan to enjoy the same Team Package benefits, as well as stay with the team in their hotel, but it is not required.

The Registration Fee for the event is \$300.00 per school. This fee is completely non-refundable to ensure that only schools who are committed to attend the event occupy a valuable team slot.

## To Register for the NHSDTC

To register your school into the National High School Drill Team Championships, please complete the enclosed green Registration Card and send it to Sports Network International along with your school's Registration Fee. Upon receipt by SNI, your school will be immediately notified by mail as to your acceptance into the event. Teams are accepted using many criteria, not solely by their strength on the drill floor. However, the strongest drill units are given first priority. Teams not accepted into the NHSDTC will have their Team Registration Form & Entry Fee returned within 10 business days.

While many units begin to register for the upcoming Nationals as early as October, most schools register in December or early January. When the competition slots are full, the event is closed. With the huge early interest expressed by teams across

the United States to attend the Nationals, all teams intending to register for the event after mid-January should first contact the NHSDTC Event Manager (SNI) to ensure a competition entry space remains open before sending in their Event Registration Form and School Entry Fee of \$300.00.

All entries are considered by SNI. **Quality schools are accepted on an earliest postmark basis!** Limited spaces are also available to "provisional entry" teams who feel their program could greatly benefit from inclusion in a drill meet such as the Nationals, but may not feel their team is strong enough to earn a standard entry slot. All checks and correspondence should be directed to **Sports Network International** at the address and telephone number listed below. Should you have any questions or need any further information, please feel free to contact SNI.

## In Closing

We invite all teams, especially those who have considered attending in the past, to look at attending this Spring. Your team's attendance at the Nationals will grow to become the highlight of your school year, a significant means of attracting interest in your program from within your community, and will give your school and drill unit the national notoriety and incredible learning experience that they richly deserve. But mostly, **a trip to the Nationals will give your cadets, parents and entire staff a memorable experience to reflect upon for the rest of their lives.** The Nationals are the ultimate "pat-on-the-back" for a long year of hard work and dedication.

Few people get the opportunity to compete at a true National Championship competition, let alone doing so in the great atmosphere of Daytona Beach, Florida. So bring your bottle of sun tan oil and pull up a pool deck chair. But then get ready for the most exciting, intense drill competition you or your cadets have ever been a part of. We wish your unit and your cadets the best of luck this drill season and **hope to see you in April!**

## For additional information:

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 Sports Network International  
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 Daytona Beach, Florida 32114  
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# Fiscal Follies 101 - A High School Primer

The leaves are starting to turn colors which means it's budget time in the nation's capitol. And in this concrete jungle called Washington, DC, we see the indigenous pointy-headed, pencil-pushing, bureaucrats (*dweebus moronicus*) justifying their existence through the annual ritual called budget dissection. The process of reducing the federal deficit usually starts at the only constitutionally-mandated function of the federal government (defense) and invariably leads to the *bright idea* of reducing Junior ROTC and its "drop in the bucket" budget of roughly 125 million.

I would be preaching to the choir if I were to extoll the virtues of JROTC to Instructors or cadets. There is no money spent in the federal government that has a greater return on investment than Junior ROTC. But I *will* venture down the dark and twisting path that is the federal deficit because I have a true concern for our children's future. ***The explosive growth of Federal government programs must be curtailed before the runaway National debt bankrupts our country. This is the single greatest threat to the American way of life!***

"Civics" or "Governmental Studies" only goes into so much detail regarding money that is spent on government programs. We've all heard about the \$600 hammers and the \$1000 toilets, but these are pennies in the national budget scheme. Many programs make one heck of an impact on the deficit and should be looked at before anyone gets the idea of tinkering with Junior ROTC. As your students prepare to enter the proud fraternity of taxpayers, here's a peek at the lunacy that is the bureaucracy called Washington.

**1. GOVERNMENT AIR TRAVEL** - The 89th Airlift Wing is really the government's own airline. Most will agree that the President, Vice-President, Joint Chiefs, Secretaries of State & Defense and foreign dignitaries should have full use of the 89th for all governmental business. We could save **200 million dollars per year** by having the others who use this transport (Congressmen and Senators, all the way down to their lowest full-time staffers) fly on commercial airlines.

**2. FOOD SUPPORTS & FOOD STAMPS** - This one is my favorite! We currently pay BILLIONS of dollars for farmers and cattle producers either to not grow certain crops, or the government simply buys millions of tons of grain and dairy products to keep the price of the product higher than they should be. In combination with this, we have a government program that gives low income individuals food stamps to purchase all types of foods. Unfortunately this program is wracked with fraud and abuse, wasting an estimated **2 BILLION** dollars a year in fraud alone from this 22 billion dollar per year program. If we eliminate artificial government price supports for all farm products, it would lower the cost of these products to you and I and save nearly **20 billion dollars per year!**

Terminate the Food Stamp program as we know it for all individuals who live within the city limits of the 50 largest American cities. We could then form a government partnership with existing shelters and other private charitable food distribution entities to provide needed money to these worthwhile organizations to assist in distributing milk, cheese, butter, rice and other *staple food products* to the individuals within these cities on food stamps. This idea is not unique, would severely limit the waste and fraud, and has been estimated to save almost **3.5 billion dollars per year**.

**3. CENSUS BUREAU** - The Constitution requires a census be conducted every ten years. Using typical governmental thinking, the Census Bureau was created and now maintains over 3,000 full-time employees and has an annual budget 230 million dollars a year (except during the census year when their budget skyrockets to 1.4 billion!). If we re-tooled this agency on the constitutional responsibility of *counting heads only*, we could reduce the staff and save roughly **170 million dollars a year.**

**4. FERTILIZER** - As if there wasn't enough manure in Washington, we actually pay 20 million dollars per year to operate the National Fertilizer Development Center in Muscle Shoals, Alabama. Guess what? **SELL IT!** This will save **20 million dollars** per year, and the sale of the operation should gain about **3.5 million dollars**.

**5. BUILDINGS** - The Government Services Administration is responsible for oversight and construction of government buildings. The GSA currently holds over 12 million square feet of *vacant* federal office space and is undertaking *new* construction at a rate of roughly **4.1 billion dollars per year!** On top of this, Congress annually spends about 100 million dollars each year constructing facilities for *private institutions!* If we eliminated all federal money to build ANYTHING through private organizations and utilized the many military bases that are shutting down as well as vacant existing federal offices for necessary government buildings, we could save an estimated **2.1 billion dollars per year!**

**6. LAND HOLDING** - The U.S. government owns roughly 700 BILLION acres of land. This is approximately 1/3 of the total land mass of the U.S.! In these tight fiscal times, you would think new land purchases would have slowed. Not only has the government bought more land, it began purchasing land that had no historical significance at exorbitant prices (purchased to keep developers from building NEAR historical sites). If we curtailed all further land purchases by the government until the National Debt is cut in half and allowed private wildlife groups who want the land set aside for ecological reasons to buy it and agree not to develop it, we could save over **800 million dollars per year.**

**7. FOREIGN AID** - The hallowed cry of the masses. With budget cuts everywhere, the U.S. still has enough money to send funds to other countries. If we wish to keep the program, we could change it to provide monetary "vouchers" that the country can use to purchase only U.S. products from U.S. companies. End cash aid to foreign countries. While savings would be minimal, it would stimulate and increase American jobs and still accomplish the goal that foreign aid was set out to achieve from the beginning.

In conclusion, the government has plenty of money to spend on youngsters who use drugs, get pregnant, run away from home, or otherwise become social derelicts. By comparison, they spend almost no money on programs that serve to **PREVENT** these types of problems. I feel that we would all be better off if we spent less money **REACTIVELY** and spent more money **PROACTIVELY** on programs designed to uplift, educate and otherwise promote the positive aspects of the American lifestyle that have made this country great. Amazing, but that sounds exactly like what Junior ROTC is all about!

- Justin Gates

# The Gender Gap

Training the young men and women who make up Junior ROTC can take individuals with the wisdom of Solomon and the patience of Mother Teresa! Opinions vary greatly regarding training methods but one thing is certain -- **you have to do what you feel works best for you and for your cadets.**

There are probably a thousand books on the market today that attempt to distinguish the differences between the sexes. Most hit a few points square on target, many get so mired in whether one sex is superior that they miss the point entirely. You may or may not believe that men and women are inherently different. But come the first day of school you better be prepared with a firm philosophy in one hand and a bottle of aspirin in the other. Because your cadets are going to be bearing down on the doors of your Junior ROTC, egos budding, feelings sensitive and hormones raging. And if you haven't already determined your style of teaching and instructing leadership to each gender, they will most certainly determine it for you!

During classroom experience your philosophy will get a definite workout, but it's the instruction of male vs female drill teams where the differences really show themselves. "Males tend to be more assertive, jump in with both feet and just get the job done," stated Major Allen Broussard, Senior Instructor at Fern Creek HS in Louisville, Kentucky. "Women tend to be more democratic and reflective. When I have had female leaders in the past who were more aggressive, some of the females reacted adversely... personalities are more important with female leaders."

MGySgt. Doug Dunlapp, military instructor for Fern Creek HS feels much the same way. "Authoritarian women won't be successful (leading other females), because women must elicit cooperation in order to work well together. Ladies hold grudges far longer than males and they want to know the 'why' of a decision more than males."

There is much to be said of the power politics that occur between male and female teams. Teams may perceive a bias from an instructor towards one team over the other. The best programs maintain a balance in the styles of the instructors. It is usually the more compassionate, calmer instructor that the female teams gravitate towards, with the male teams responding more to no-nonsense, hard-nosed leaders.

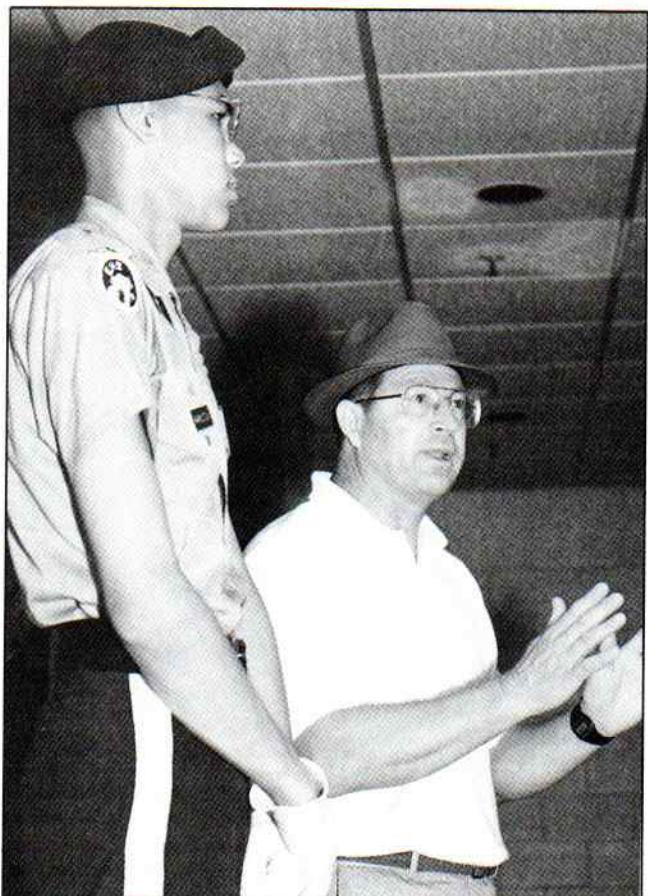
But beware, this reality can backfire without warning. Female cadets that are naturally drawn to the instructor that is always there to hear their problems and calmly reason issues out with them can also get mad that they aren't getting the same "tough" treatment as the male drill team. And vice versa. The male drill team may see the female team getting too much of an instructor's time and become envious of the attention.

And as if all this wasn't a thin enough tightrope to walk, just wait, because it changes every year with each new group of kids and often every few weeks with each new level of maturity (or lack thereof) reached by your cadets. It's a balancing act that needs constant care and maintenance.

"I train them exactly the same, no differences -- I stand right in the middle of the practice area, girls on the right, boys on the left," stated SGM Johnny Snodgrass from powerhouse Enterprise HS. "The biggest difference between them (boys & girls) that I see is the girls can make a mistake and they really believe they can overcome it and still win the overall title (at a drill meet). The guys will make a mistake and they believe it's over -- they can't win. I think it's in the nature of women that they always feel they can come back and win no matter what happens."

Female drill teams will go along great for a while and then suddenly everything seems to fall apart overnight. The remedy is often to get the girls together, put them under direct orders to get everything off their chest: every complaint, hurt feeling, mis-quoted rumor, etc. (better known as "kiss and make up") and then leave the room! They may yell and scream, but more often than not they will emerge hugging each other, drying their eyes, once again focused on the job at hand.

Needless to say, the box of tissues approach tends to fall on deaf ears when male teams have a problem. Many male drill teams will deny there's something wrong or they will underestimate the amount of



SGM Johnny Snodgrass of Enterprise High School epitomizes the strong, unwavering leadership that has resulted in four straight championships.

damage that's being done to the team. But typical of being male they will ignore their emotions and concentrate on the task at hand. For females, if there is a conflict, then that is the task at hand and they won't move past it until it's resolved.

A frequent problem found on male drill teams is how they handle situations where one of their own "drops the ball". If an otherwise great performance is marred by a cadet dropping a weapon or staying a half-step behind the pace, male teams are more likely to alienate that cadet until he has earned his way back into their good graces. Males will often look to the instructor to set the tone for their reaction and instructors must decide whether or not intervention is called for.

How honest you are with your cadets about your teaching style is an individual preference. Some instructors make a philosophical point of never explaining their actions. Others utilize the explanation for their decisions as a training forum. Given that Junior ROTC is a learning experience more than anything, it is up to the instructor to determine which will be more effective.

There is no greater responsibility on earth than the education of our children, and there is no more challenging student to teach than a teenager. In the final analysis of leadership styles, if their best interest is your first priority there is no way you could go wrong.

It may require two totally different paths to get there, but once you have learned the secret handshake that lets you into the hearts of your cadets (and lets them into yours) you will find that male and female cadets are absolutely alike in at least one way: if you respect them and they know how you feel about them, they will march to the ends of the earth for you.



LTC Jim Armstrong of Western High School provides support and praise to these female cadets for a job well done during their first trip to the Nationals.

# Only the Strong Survive

Each Division told its own story, as one dynasty returned with a vengeance, a newcomer stepped from out of nowhere, and a legend thundered to the finish line ahead of a fierce pack of contenders.



Demilitarized Division: Top - Theodore Roosevelt High School - San Juan Guard  
Unarmed Division: Front left - Homer Hanna High School - Mighty Brown Eagles  
Facsimile/Female Division: Front right - Enterprise High School - Belles of the Blue Knights

**A**s the saying goes at the Nationals, "Pressure makes Diamonds". Many diamonds surfaced this year at the 1995 National High School Drill Team Championships. In what is becoming customary at the Nationals, all divisions came down to the last event to determine the champions. This provided an exciting finale for the standing-room only crowd of 1,600-plus spectators at the Saturday Evening awards ceremony. Tension built as trophy after trophy was awarded in all three competition divisions. Despite the use of four, five and six judges in many of the competition events, several placements were still settled through the usage of tie-breaking procedures!

## Demilitarized Arms Division Highlights

Once the Friday event tallies were complete, SNI was amazed to see the closest title run in event history. The four schools trailing the leader separated each other by just 47, 41, 4, and 17 points, respectively. It was never more true that just one slip takes you out of contention in this highly competitive division. When the smoke cleared on Saturday, the returning champion, **Theodore Roosevelt High School San Juan Guard** had driven home a resounding victory. The Army unit captured three 1st place finishes (Squad Regulation, Squad & Platoon Exhibition) and a 2nd place (Inspection).

In the most awesome "come from behind" showing, perennial powerhouse **Fern Creek HS Leathernecks** climbed from 5th in line behind the leader on Friday to claim the Runner-Up overall title. They picked-up two 2nd place finishes (Color Guard & Platoon Exhibition), and a 5th place (Inspection) with solid performances in all team events. The **Lincoln HS Lancers** drill team was strong again, earning 1st place finishes in both Color Guard & Inspection, as well as a 5th place finish in Squad Regulation. **Gulfport HS Commandant's Choice** did tremendously well at their first Nationals gaining a 2nd place (Squad Exhibition), 3rd place (Platoon Exhibition) and 4th place (Inspection). The **Black Watch** drill team from **Winston Churchill HS** performed well throughout the Nationals capturing 3rd place (Inspection), 4th place (Squad Exhibition) & 5th place (Platoon Exhibition). The **Cranston HS Thunderbolts** drill team garnered a 3rd place (Color Guard), 4th place (Squad Regulation), and 5th place (Squad Exhibition). The **Chaminade Guard** from **Central Catholic HS** performed well, grabbing both a 2nd place (Squad Regulation) and a 3rd place (Squad Exhibition).

## Unarmed Division Highlights

**Homer Hanna High School** from Brownsville, Texas captured their first-ever National Drill Championship. The scrappy **Mighty Brown Eagles** did a fantastic job, earning a first place finish in Color Guard and two second place finishes in Regulation Drill and Inspection. A failure to place in Exhibition drill kept the Army JROTC squad on the edge of their seats as the overall awards were presented.

**Winston Churchill HS** gave it everything they had and came just a whisker away from bringing home the title! Capturing a 1st place (Regulation Drill), a 2nd place (Color Guard) a 4th place (Exhibition) and a 5th place (Inspection), the **Queen's Guard** drill team ended *just 57 points shy of capturing the overall title (out of 4800 possible)*. The four-time returning champion **Riderettes** drill team from **Theodore Roosevelt HS** competed strongly, earning a 3rd (Inspection), a 4th (Color Guard) and a 5th (Exhibition). Past runner-up **Walla Walla HS Sponsors** drill team earned a 1st place (Inspection), a 2nd place (Exhibition) and a 5th place (Regulation). Other strong performances were turned in by past national champion **OXON HILL HS** whose **Devastation** drill team earned both a first place finish (Exhibition) and a 3rd place finish (Regulation).

## Facsimile Arms/Female Division Highlights

Maintaining both armed, all-female drill teams and any teams using facsimile weapons, this division remains a stronghold for the tough, four-time National Champion **Enterprise High School** drill team from Enterprise, Alabama. The **Belles of the Blue Knights** Army JROTC drill team captured three 1st place finishes (Inspection, Squad Regulation, & Platoon Exhibition), a 2nd place finish in Color Guard and a 3rd place finish in Squad Exhibition. These top finishes were vital, as several other schools put together strong challenges to the Enterprise dynasty.

**Miami Coral Park HS Hurricanes** captured the national runner-up crown by displaying a tenacious consistency in all events, including the following: 2nd place (Squad Exhibition), 3rd place (Color Guard & Platoon Exhibition) and 5th place (Inspection & Squad Regulation). The **Fern Creek HS Lady Leathernecks** captured two 2nd place finishes (Inspection & Platoon Exhibition), and a 5th place finish (Color Guard). In their first time at the Nationals, the **Gulfport HS Precision in Motion** drill team captured a 3rd place finish in Inspection and Squad Regulation, and a 4th place in Squad Exhibition. **Leesburg HS Yellow Jackets** garnered two 4th place finishes (Squad Regulation & Color Guard). Lastly, the **Lyman HS Greyhounds** from Longwood, Florida -- *in just their second year as a JROTC unit* -- captured a second place finish in Squad Regulation drill and a fourth place finish in Inspection.

Many factors make up the overall success of the Nationals. Regardless of what we at Sports Network International do, the primary reason the Nationals remain the pinnacle of drill excellence are the *top-quality schools from across the nation who make this exciting drill experience an annual part of their season*. The competition field was loaded with drill talent. A record 82 competition drill units from 53 schools representing 22 states attended the Nationals in 1995, with schools attending from as far away as: **Rhode Island, New York, Texas, California, Missouri, Kansas, Colorado, Hawaii and Washington, as well as every state in the Southeastern U.S.**

A record 16 schools attended the 1995 Nationals for the first time and most are planning to return in 1996! These schools included: **Anson HS** from Wadesboro, NC; **Camden MA** from Camden, SC; **East Boston HS** from Boston, MA; **Forest Park HS** from Baltimore, MD; **Gulfport HS** from Gulfport, MS; **John F. Kennedy HS** from Denver, CO; **Kemper County HS** from DeKalb, MS; **Lyman HS** from Longwood, FL; **Mattoon HS** from Mattoon, IL; **North Myrtle Beach HS** from North Myrtle Beach, SC; **Oak Ridge Military Academy** from Oak Ridge, NC; **Rayville HS** from Rayville, LA; **Samuel Morse HS** from San Diego, CA; **Sebring HS** from Sebring, FL; **Springfield Central HS** from Springfield, MA; **Western HS** from Fort Lauderdale, FL; and **Winnisboro HS** from Winnisboro, LA.

Sports Network International salutes all of the instructors and cadets who annually choose to make their school a part of history at the Nationals.

# 1995 NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DRILL TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS

## Final Event Standings

ALL TOTALS ARE BASED ON A MAXIMUM 1200 POINTS PER EVENT

### DEMILITARIZED ARMS

#### INSPECTION

Lincoln HS - Lancers	1015
T. Roosevelt HS - San Juan Guard	949
Winston Churchill HS - Black Watch	929
Gulfport HS - Commandant's Choice	913
Fern Creek HS - Leathernecks	904

#### SQUAD REGULATION

T. Roosevelt HS - San Juan Guard	825
Central Catholic HS-Chaminade Guard	807
Miami Coral Park HS - Rams	794
Cranston HS - Thunderbolts	788
Lincoln HS - Lancers	775

#### COLOR GUARD

Lincoln HS - Lancers	1069
Fern Creek HS - Leathernecks	1068
Cranston HS - Thunderbolts	997
Coventry HS - The Falcons	955
Enterprise HS - Blue Knights	949

#### SQUAD EXHIBITION

T. Roosevelt HS - San Juan Guard	1088
Gulfport HS - Commandant's Choice	1078
Central Catholic HS-Chaminade Guard	1074
Winston Churchill HS - Black Watch	1072
Cranston HS - Thunderbolts	1051

#### PLATOON EXHIBITION

T. Roosevelt HS - San Juan Guard	1136
Fern Creek HS - Leathernecks	1114
Gulfport HS - Commandant's Choice	1080
Jeffersontown HS - Devil Dogs	1061
Winston Churchill HS - Black Watch	1038

### UNARMED

#### INSPECTION

Walla Walla HS - Sponsors	1091
Homer Hanna HS-Mighty Brown Eagles	1076
Theodore Roosevelt HS - Riderettes	1072
Douglas MacArthur HS - Blue Angels	*1032
Winston Churchill HS - Queen's Guard	1032

#### REGULATION

Winston Churchill HS-Queen's Guard	973
Homer Hanna HS-Mighty Brown Eagles	965
Oxon Hill HS - Devastation	935
Northeast HS - Taylor Elite	926
Walla Walla HS - Sponsors	909

#### COLOR GUARD

Homer Hanna HS-Mighty Brown Eagles	1002
Winston Churchill HS-Queen's Guard	964
Leesburg HS - Dream Team III	869
Theodore Roosevelt HS - Riderettes	833
Lincoln HS - Lady Lancers	*825

#### EXHIBITION DRILL

Oxon Hill HS - Devastation	1185
Walla Walla HS - Sponsors	1157
Oxon Hill HS - Blue Guard	1149
Winston Churchill HS-Queen's Guard	1144
Theodore Roosevelt HS - Riderettes	1136



### FACSIMILE ARMS/FEMALE

#### INSPECTION

Enterprise HS-Belles of the Blue Knights	1100
Fern Creek HS - Lady Leathernecks	1062
Gulfport HS - Precision in Motion	1056
Lyman HS - Lady Greys	1048
Miami Coral Park HS - Hurricanes	1043

#### SQUAD REGULATION

Enterprise HS-Belles of the Blue Knights	1068
Lyman HS - Lady Greys	1034
Gulfport HS - Precision in Motion	956
Leesburg HS - Yellow Jackets	952
Miami Coral Park HS - Hurricanes	*948

#### COLOR GUARD

Samuel Morse HS - Golden Tigers	1049
Enterprise HS-Belles of the Blue Knights	1035
Miami Coral Park HS - Hurricanes	1033
Leesburg HS - Yellow Jackets	1014
Fern Creek HS - Lady Leathernecks	1000

#### SQUAD EXHIBITION

Jeffersontown HS - Chargers	1057
Miami Coral Park HS - Hurricanes	1029
Enterprise HS-Belles of the Blue Knights	1026
Gulfport HS - Precision in Motion	1014
Cedar Shoals HS - Lady Knights	1003

#### PLATOON EXHIBITION

Enterprise HS-Belles of the Blue Knights	1029
Fern Creek HS - Lady Leathernecks	1023
Miami Coral Park HS - Hurricanes	998
Cedar Shoals HS - Lady Knights	982
Palm Bay HS - Lady Redskins	974



## National Championships OVERALL TOTALS

### DEMILITARIZED ARMS

T. Roosevelt HS-San Juan Guard	4910
Fern Creek HS-Leathernecks	4780

### UNARMED

Homer Hanna HS-Mighty Brown Eagles	4170
Winston Churchill HS-Queen's Guard	4113

### FACSIMILE ARMS/FEMALE

Enterprise HS-Belles of the Blue Knights	5258
Miami Coral Park HS - Hurricanes	5051

**Anson High School**  
Wadesboro, North Carolina - USA  
Bearcats

**Benedictine High School**  
Richmond, Virginia - USA  
Black's Gold

**Camden Military Academy**  
Camden, South Carolina - USA  
James F. Risher Guard

**Cedar Shoals High School**  
Athens, Georgia - USA  
Silent Knights / Lady Knights

**Central Catholic High School**  
San Antonio, Texas - USA  
Chaminade Guard

**Chattahoochee High School**  
Alpharetta, Georgia - USA  
Northridge Rifles / Riverettes

**Cocoa High School**  
Cocoa, Florida - USA  
Fighting Tigers / Ground Pounders

**Colonel White High School**  
Dayton, Ohio - USA  
Black Knights / Lady Knights

**Coventry High School**  
Coventry, Rhode Island - USAF  
The Falcons

**Cranston High School**  
Cranston, Rhode Island - USA  
Thunderbolts

**Douglas MacArthur High School**  
San Antonio, Texas - USA  
Blue Guard / Blue Angels

**East Boston High School**  
East Boston, Massachusetts - USA  
Clipper Battalion

**Englewood High School**  
Jacksonville, Florida - USA  
Rams

**Enterprise High School**  
Enterprise, Alabama - USA  
Blue Knights  
Belles of the Blue Knights

**Fern Creek High School**  
Louisville, Kentucky - USMC  
Leathernecks / Lady Leathernecks

**Forest Park High School**  
Forest Park, Georgia - USAF  
Panthers / Panther Pride

**Forest Park High School**  
Baltimore, Maryland - USA  
Untouchables

**Gulfport High School**  
Gulfport, Mississippi - USMC  
The Commandant's Choice  
Precision in Motion

**Homer Hanna High School**  
Brownsville, Texas - USA  
Mighty Brown Eagles

**Jeffersontown High School**  
Jeffersontown, Kentucky - USMC  
Devil Dogs / Chargers

**John F. Kennedy High School**  
Denver, Colorado - USA  
Honor Platoon Commanders

**John Marshall High School**  
San Antonio, Texas - USN  
Schreiber's Rifles / Bandoleers

**Kemper County High School**  
DeKalb, Mississippi - USA  
Wildcats Blue / Wildcats Gold

**LaSalle Institute**  
Troy, New York - USA  
O'Donovans

**LaSalle Military Academy**  
Oakdale, New York - USA  
LaSalle Rifles

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**USN** - Great Lakes, IL - PO1 Greg Cuyugan, CPO Jeffrey Young, PO1 Philip Anderson, PO2 William Tungate

### Commander's Trophy - Demilitarized Arms

1st Place: Cadet Nelson - Theodore Roosevelt High School

2nd Place: Cadet Crockett - Lincoln High School

3rd Place: Cadet Vela - Miami Coral Park High School

### Commander's Trophy - Facsimile/Female

1st Place: Cadet Talley - Enterprise High School

2nd Place: Cadet DeFazio - Lyman High School

3rd Place: Cadet Helm - Gulfport High School

### Commander's Trophy - Unarmed

1st Place: Cadet Walker - Winston Churchill High School

2nd Place: Cadet Alarcon - Oxon Hill High School

3rd Place: Cadet Gonzalez - Homer Hanna High School

### Individual Exhibition - Demilitarized Arms

1st Place: Cadet Davis - Theodore Roosevelt High School

2nd Place: Cadet Dillard - Jeffersontown High School

3rd Place: Cadet Velasco - Theodore Roosevelt High School

### Individual Exhibition - Facsimile/Female

1st Place: Cadet Castillo - Miami Coral Park High School

2nd Place: Cadet Laguna - Miami Coral Park High School

3rd Place: Cadet Grivacic - Fern Creek High School

### Dual Exhibition - Demilitarized Arms

1st Place: Cadets Ballard & Hoizhaner - Colonel White High School

2nd Place: Cadets Dillard & Kincaid - Jeffersontown High School

3rd Place: Cadets Figueroa & Price - Lincoln High School

### Dual Exhibition - Facsimile/Female

1st Place: Cadets Harris & Young - Cedar Shoals High School

2nd Place: Cadets Trevino & Johnston - Jeffersontown High School

3rd Place: Cadets Newbold & Newbold - Seneca High School

### Leesburg High School

Leesburg, Florida - USAF  
Yellow Jackets / Dream Team III

### Lincoln High School

Yonkers, New York - USMC  
Lancers / Lady Lancers

### Lyman High School

Longwood, Florida - USA  
Imperial Hounds / Lady Greys

### Mattoon High School

Mattoon, Illinois - USA  
Gladiators

**McKinley High School**  
Honolulu, Hawaii - USA  
Tiger Team

**Miami Coral Park High School**  
Miami, Florida - USA  
Rams / Hurricanes

**New York Military Academy**  
Cornwall-on-Hudson, NY - USA  
Knights

**Newburgh Free Academy**  
Newburgh, New York - USAF  
Screaming Eagles

**North Myrtle Beach High School**  
N. Myrtle Beach, South Carolina - USN  
Chiefs

**Northeast High School**  
Kansas City, Missouri - USA  
Long Rifles / Taylor Elite  
Lady Vikings

**Northwood High School**  
Shreveport, Louisiana - USA  
Falcon Battalion

**Oak Ridge Military Academy**  
Oak Ridge, North Carolina - USA  
Honor Guard

**Oakland High School**  
Murfreesboro, Tennessee - USA  
Patriots / Patriot Paraders

**Oxon Hill High School**  
Oxon Hill, Maryland - USAF  
Lords of Discipline / Execution  
Devastation / Blue Guard

**Palm Bay High School**  
Melbourne, Florida - USMC  
Pirates / Lady Pirates

**Rayville High School**  
Rayville, Louisiana - USA  
Mr. Cleen

**Samuel Morse High School**  
San Diego, California - USA  
Southern California Guard  
Golden Tigers

**Sebring High School**  
Sebring, Florida - USAF  
Blue Streaks

**Seneca High School**  
Louisville, Kentucky - USMC  
Redskins / Devil Dogs

**Springfield Central High School**  
Springfield, Massachusetts - USAF  
Golden Eagles

**Theodore Roosevelt High School**  
San Antonio, Texas - USA  
San Juan Guard  
Riderettes

**U.S. Naval Sea Cadets**  
Tampa, Florida - Independent  
Naval Sea Cadets

**Walla Walla High School**  
Walla Walla, Washington - USA  
Sponsors Drill team

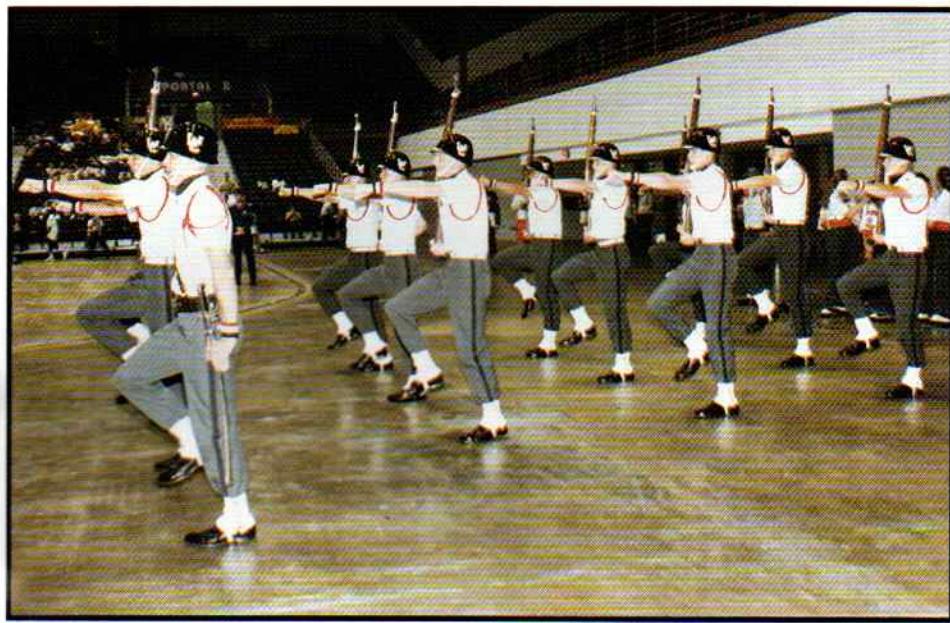
**Warren County High School**  
McMinnville, Tennessee - USA  
Young Guns  
Silent Warning

**Western High School**  
Fort Lauderdale, Florida - USA  
Wildcat Battalion

**Winnsboro High School**  
Winnsboro, Louisiana - USA  
Wildcats  
Lady Wildcats

**Winston Churchill High School**  
San Antonio, Texas - USA  
Black Watch / Queen's Guard

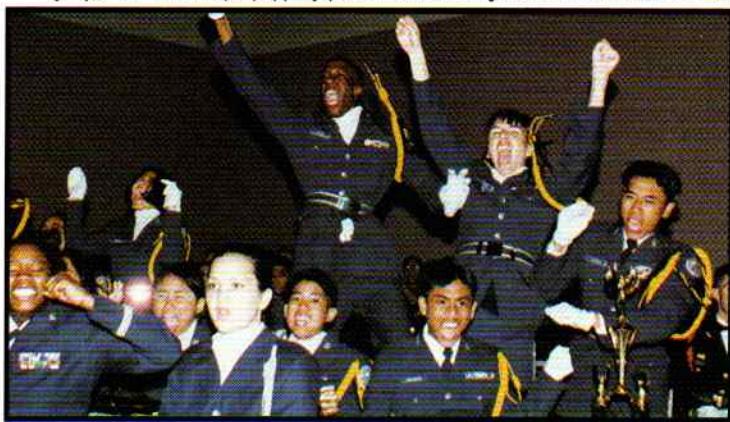
**Xavier High School**  
New York, New York - USA  
The X Squad



Winston Churchill HS from San Antonio, Texas captures the attention of both the crowd and the judges with their eye-popping performance during the NHSDTC Platoon Exhibition competition.



Cadet CPO Sean Amo from John Marshall HS displays poise and bearing as a rifle bearer for the all-service Color Guard.



With the intense competition behind them, these cadets can finally relax their strict military bearing and show the many emotions of the Awards Ceremony.



Executing their report out, Cadets Sarah Grivicic and Kristi Oppedahl from Fern Creek HS are scrutinized by MSgt. Daniel Cannon, USMC, during their Dual Exhibition routine.

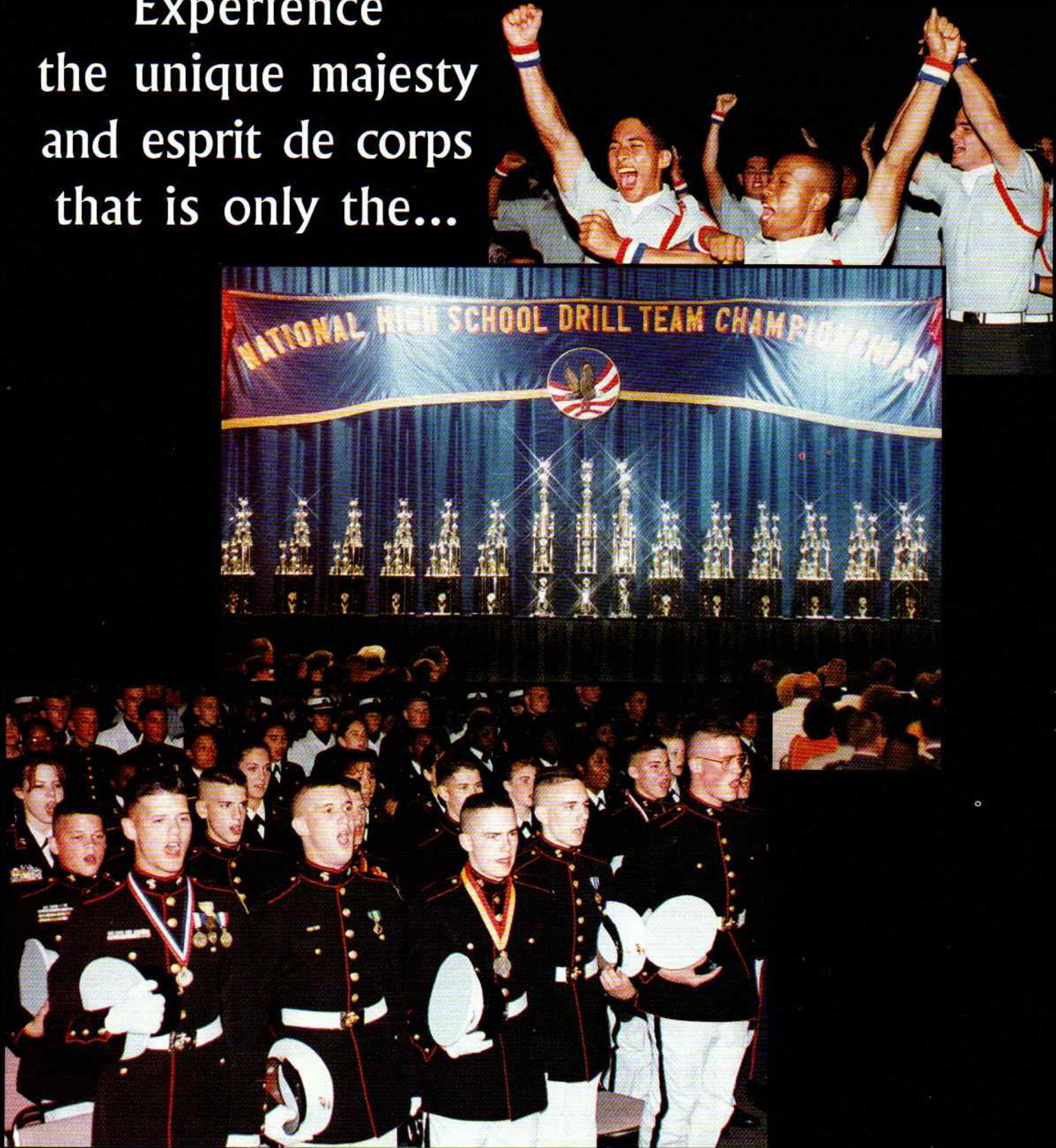


oxon Hill HS puts together a solid performance during the always intensely competitive Color Guard event.



SGM Rodney Jordan, a two-year judging veteran, fires off a recruiting poster salute to this female Marine Corps cadet with the NHSDTC National Championship trophies providing a sparkling backdrop.

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