

UNITED STATES NAVAL SEA CADET CORPS
IWO JIMA (LHD 7) DIVISION, NSCC
Newburgh, New York



Iwo Jima (LHD 7) Division Sponsorship Letter

The Naval Sea Cadet and League Cadet Corps are for American youth ages 10-18 who have a desire to learn about the U.S. Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard and Merchant Marine. Sea Cadets are authorized by the Secretary of the Navy to wear Navy uniforms appropriately marked with the Sea Cadet Corps insignia. The objectives of the Sea Cadet program are to introduce youth to naval life, to develop in them a sense of pride, patriotism, courage, and self-reliance, and to maintain an environment free of drugs and gangs.

Our cadets meet or "drill" one weekend per month in Carmel NY. We also host drills at nearby military bases, operational support centers and with other NSCC/NLCC units. Our cadets also have the privilege of participating in underway cruises aboard the USS MAHAN (DDG72), USS Iwo Jima (LHD-7), USS WASP (LHD1) USS NEW YORK (LPD21).

Our unit is organized as a division, which closely reflects the surface Navy. Some units are organized as squadrons, which is geared towards the field of naval aviation Divisions, and battalions, which reflect Navy construction battalions (Seabees).

Whether a division, squadron, or battalion, our local unit has one main purpose: to foster teamwork, camaraderie and an understanding of the military command structure.

Our cadets are instructed by both Sea Cadet Uniform Officers, Instructor, active duty military and senior cadets through classroom and applied instruction in subjects such as basic seamanship, military drill, and leadership. Our unit also participates in Sea Cadet regional weekend competitions where units compete to test their seamanship and military skills.

The Iwo Jima (LHD 7) Division actively participates in community events such as parades, military events, fairs and air shows.

The Sea Cadet training program consists of Navy Non-Resident Training Courses (NRTC), two-week training schools, shipboard training, and training arranged locally by units.

All new cadets enter the program at the rate of E1/Seaman Recruit. In-order for a cadet to move up through the ranks they must complete the NRTC Correspondence Course for that rate, two weeks of training, and, depending on the rate, a Navy Military Leadership exam. NRTC's cover basic military and naval subjects such as naval history, seamanship, leadership, and ship/aircraft familiarization.

The cadet rate structure parallels that of the Navy and Coast Guard's enlisted rate structure, with E7/Chief Petty Officer being the highest rate a cadet can achieve.

Two-week training (TWT) mostly takes place during summer months and occasionally during winter and spring break. The first TWT for all cadets is NSCC/NLCC Recruit Training, better known as boot camp. It is a scaled down version of the Navy's boot camp. For the two-week period, cadets are instructed by active and reserve military personnel and Sea Cadet officers in military drill and discipline, physical fitness, seamanship, shipboard safety, first aid, naval history, and leadership

After cadets have successfully completed boot camp, they can then participate in advanced training. Sea Cadet advanced training currently consists of the following:

- TRAINING SCHOOLS
 - AIRMAN TRAINING (BASIC & ADVANCED)
 - AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL TRAINING
 - FAA GROUND SCHOOL
 - CULINARY ARTS TRAINING
 - MEDICAL TRAINING (GENERAL, FIELD, SURGICAL & DENTAL TECH)
 - FIREFIGHTING TRAINING
 - PHOTO JOURNALISM TRAINING
 - CEREMONIAL GUARD
 - SUBMARINE SEMINAR
 - MARKSMANSHIP TRAINING
 - CONSTRUCTION BATTALION (SEABEE) TRAINING (BASIC & ADVANCED)
 - MINE WAREFARE OPERATIONS TRAINING
 - MUSIC SCHOOL
 - SEAL TEAM TRAINING
 - EXPLOSIVE ORDNANCE DISPOSAL TRAINING
 - AMPHIBIOUS TRAINING
 - PETTY OFFICER LEADERSHIP ACADEMY
 - MASTER-AT-ARMS TRAINING (MILITARY POLICE/LAW)
 - JUDGE ADVOCATED GENERAL (JAG) TRAINING
 - SAILING SCHOOL
 - SCUBA SCHOOL
 - SEAMANSHIP TRAINING
 - SHIPBOARD TRAINING

Sea Cadet training is held throughout the continental United States, Hawaii, Puerto Rico and Guam on military installations.

Costs: It typically costs a family up to \$1000.00 to have a cadet in the program per year which includes uniform costs, annual membership and travel expenses along with basic and advanced training costs. The Iwo Jima (LHD 7) Division currently has over 40 cadets with a charter to grow to 75 plus cadets and maintains an annual operating expense of over \$10,000.00 per year with costs increasing with each new enrollment. The majority of these fees currently are being paid from the Cadet's family directly.

Sponsorship Commitments

Platinum Sponsorship	\$1,000+	Sea Cadet will receive 50% of the total Platinum Sponsorship Amount, plus next year's annual membership
Gold Sponsorship	\$501 to \$999	Sea Cadet will receive 50% of the total Gold Sponsorship Amount
Sliver Sponsorship	\$301 to \$500	Sea Cadet will receive 25% of the total Sliver Sponsorship Amount
Bronze Sponsorship	\$101 to \$300	Sea Cadet will receive next year's annual membership free of cost
Basic Cadet Sponsorship	\$100	Sea Cadets Minimum Year One Commitment

Sponsorship Name: _____

Amount: _____ Date: _____

Cadet Name: _____ Cadet ID#: _____