Welcome to an exciting year at BTW NJROTC. Below is how we will use technology to assist us in keeping everyone informed and the staff contact information:

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1. **Text Messaging**: We will be using the REMIND app to send text message announcements. You do not need to use the REMIND app to receive the messages but the experience is better if you install the app on your phone. Please follow the directions below to sign up to receive the text message announcements:
	* Parents, please text @9hgefe7 to 81010
	* Cadets, please text @a9dfdc to 81010
2. **Email:** The Communications Officer will be sending out emails with important information as well. If you would like to receive unit specific emails, please sign up by emailing the Communications Officer at: BTW.COMMO@gmail.com
3. **Shared Calendar:** The unit is busy and you don’t want to miss any of the fun. We are using google calendar to keep track of all of our events. Please follow the link below or email the BTW COMMO for a link to access the calendar. <https://calendar.google.com/calendar/embed?src=houser.jason.snsi%40navyjrotc.us&ctz=America%2FNew_York>
4. **NJROTC Web Page:** The school’s NJROTC webpage has been updated. It is a one stop shop for all of the information needed to keep you informed. On the webpage you will find unit contact information, the unit’s calendar, links to classroom materials and much more. Please visit the website at: <https://www.npsk12.com/Page/10880#calendar14462/20190803/month>
5. **NJROTC Booster Club**: The NJROTC unit needs your help. The success of the NJROTC unit relies heavily on the involvement of the parents. Please join the NJROTC Booster Club by contact either LCDR Houser or Chief Malone. We will work with you to see where your skills, talents and interests can be used to help the unit.
6. **Upcoming Events:** Below is a list of some of the events already scheduled for the 2019-2020 school year. **There are still a lot of other events that are going to be scheduled.**  Updates will be made as information becomes available. Please see the google calendar for updates and changes. Please note that there three MANDATORY PARTICIPATION events that will be graded. Save those dates now.
	* 22 Aug: Freshmen Orientation – Color Guard
	* 24 Aug: Senior Saint Banquet - Volunteering
	* 30 Aug – 1 Sep: Rock and Roll Marathon – Fundraising
	* 18 Sep: School Board Meeting – Color Guard
	* 20 Sep: American Rover – NS1 Field Trip
	* 21 Sep: Lake Taylor Titan Classic – Competition
	* 05 Oct: USS EL PASSO Party – Color Guard
	* 06 Oct: Huntington High School Orienteering – Competition
	* 19 Oct: Norview High School PT Meet – Competition
	* 26 Oct: Green Run High School Meet – Competition
	* 30 Oct: Blood Drive - Volunteering
	* 02 Nov: Landstown High School NS1 Drill Meet – Competition
	* 16 Nov: Grand Illumination Parade – **\*\* Graded Event, Mandatory Participation \*\***
	* 07 Dec: Norview High School Drill/PT Meet – Competition
	* 14 Dec: Salem High School NS1 Drill Meet – Competition
	* 11 Jan: Brain Brawl – Competition
	* 11 Jan: Salem High School Varsity Drill Meet – Competition
	* 12 Feb: Annual Military Inspection - **\*\* Graded Event, Mandatory Participation \*\***
	* 15 Feb: Lee Davis High School Varsity Drill Meet – Competition
	* 25 Mar: Blood Drive – Volunteering
	* 29 Apr: Change of Command - **\*\* Graded Event, Mandatory Participation \*\***
	* 05 Jun: Graduation Practice – Color Guard
	* 08 Jun: BTW Graduation – Color Guard