Lakes High School JROTC

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Lancer Battalion BALES HIGH SCHOOL CER BATTALIO **Honor Unit** with Distinction

Dedicated to all of those who have worked tirelessly both day and night, to get to where we are as a battalion today.

~April 18 2017~

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Military Ball

On 22 April, the Lancer Battalion held its annual Military Ball event at the American Lake Conference Center on Joint Base Lewis McChord. The event featured the announcement of the changing of command, a speech from JBLM Garrison Commander Col. Daniel Morgan, a bonfire, and a performance by our very own Lakes Jazz Ensemble. The night was a success, "Cadets really seemed to enjoy themselves", said C/2LT Andrea Nadal, Officer in Charge of planning the ball. "We may have had a minor bump or two along the way, but overall I think it went very well." "It was a great experience to look back on what we accomplished as a

battalion." C/SSG Rhiannon Brookshire said. "The conference center was an amazing venue for the event, definitely better than the cafeteria." she jokingly added. In his keynote speech Col. Morgan spoke about success, saying "You gotta define to yourself what success is as you're going through this program, and that is what the wonderful thing about this program is." He then went on to talk about character adding, "Whatever you do, its fine. Just do not compromise yourself, and do not let anything or anyone threaten the character of who you are." The night ended with a bonfire out by American Lake and the musical selections of the Lakes Jazz Ensemble indoors.

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JPA Inspections

On 18 April, the Lancer Battalion successfully completed its JROTC Program of Accreditation (JPA) process. The process included in-ranks inspections and a color guard inspection that occurred in late March, briefs by the command staff, the Service Learning Project team and an inspection of the logistics staff. "It was a really nerve-racking process" said C/1LT Adkins, who was a part of the command and staff briefing "Just standing in front of the inspectors made me nervous" The day started with a briefing by the command and staff on the battalion's continuous improvement plan, focusing on academics. That brief was then followed by the

C.A.R.E Team's Service Learning Project briefing on the Read Across America mission that occurred in March. The logistics staff was inspected next, with an extensive look at the supply stock and supply practices of the battalion. After a few hours of waiting and an assembly featuring Jermaine Kearse in between, we got our answer. We were officially classified as a **Honor Unit with Distinction; Gold Star Unit**. Getting the Gold Star was a goal set by the battalion many years ago. Even though the numerous people who have tried for this goal may have come and gone, this is dedicated to all of them. But there is one person who this is dedicated to in particular, LTC Patty said it best when he said, "This is dedicated to 1SG Munoz."

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Upcoming Events

- Awards Ceremony
 - 24 May/1700-1900/Lakes PAC
- Uniform Turn-In begins
 - 30 May

- Graduation
 - 7 June/1900/Tacoma Dome
- Last Day of School
 14 June

1SG Corner

I want to extend my gratitude to all those who participated and contributed to our success during the JROTC Program Accreditation (JPA) It was a busy month for the Lancer Battalion, but through all the tough days, evenings, and weekends—-it paid off.

We are now a "Honor Unit with Distinction"

-GOLD STAR-

1SG Munoz

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