

## MCJROTC Award Ceremony

Annually, JROTC holds a ceremony to recognize the great accomplishments from cadets; further known as the award ceremony. Awards can range from individual (national awards) for those cadets who go above and beyond and show excellence in school, the program, and the community; along with unit awards that are received via meeting the requirements. Additionally, the program undergoes a change of command at the ceremony. The change of command is conducted by the departing CO, current XO, and Sergeant Major. The sergeant Major passes the Gidon to the departing CO who turns it over to the XO, who becomes the new CO after the ceremonial exchange.



Colonel Sprague and Gunnery Sergeant Flores speak in front of the platoon, guests, and parents filling the auditorium.



JROTC's true seniors, seniors who have been in the program for four years, are recognized with a shadow box containing their ranks, ribbons, and a quote. Starting from left to right we have Cadet Sergeant Major Gracie Mark, Cadet Captain Lessenia Lowe, Cadet Staff Sergeant Jayden Arias, Cadet Staff Sergeant Nathaniel Voggelsang, and Cadet Corporal Mykael Oter.



← Cadet Lowe receives her individual award.



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Cadet Sergeant Wyatt Apadoca receives this unit awards for this years school year.



The top 3 of the program stand side by side to get ready for the change of command.



Cadet First Lieutenant Alvarez hands off the Gideon to cadet Sergeant Major Mark after receiving it from the departing CO Cadet Captain Lessenia Lowe. This is the change of command and signifies Cadet Alvarez becoming the new CO.

Cadet Captain Lessenia Lowe gives her departing CO speech at her final awards night.

