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THE MARINES HAVE LANDED

CFF has joined forces with the USMC to support a number of high school visits across a wide area of the Southeast, from LA east to GA, up to NC and VA, and down through SC into FL, with our STEM Education Outreach Program.

The Marine Corps is a strong proponent of STEM literacy among it's new recruit , offering outstanding technical and professional training which can support an individual's career both within and outside of the Corps.

CFF has a nationally recognized STEM Education Outreach Program which we are proud to affiliate with the USMC. The Foundation has already launched this important initiative, and we are actively planning the support missions for the new school year.

Join our team. We are looking for a few good people.



Marines spending time with the special needs students on a CFF STEM school visit



Students eager to learn more about STEM opportunities in the Marine Corps during a CFF STEM high school visit



USMC Boot Camp ?



“We made it, with only a few bruises and muscle cramps” said our CFF Executive Vice President Lori Wicker upon returning home from a week long experience with the USMC Drill Instructors at Parris Island, SC.

Lori and Tony Rodriguez, one of our CFF STEM Education Outreach Program Instructors, were invited to attend the USMC Educators Workshop in order to experience first hand the making of a Marine. Lori and Tony networked with other teachers and educators while rappelling, experiencing the gas chamber or practicing their marksmanship on the firing range.

As CFF advances our STEM Education Outreach Program with the significant assistance of the Marine Corps, this Educator’s Workshop experience will prove to be of great value.

Of special note is the fact that Tony is a Marine Corps veteran and survivor of the 1983 Beirut barracks bombing.

We are very proud of our CFF team.



Lori Wicker on her way down the rappelling tower. Way to go Lori!



Congratulations to our 2022/2023 Award Recipients of the Celebrate Freedom Foundations JROTC Award for Excellence in Academics

The Following 255 JROTC students, from high schools in 34 states, competed nationally to receive their prestigious Celebrate Freedom Foundations JROTC Award for Excellence in Academics.



Awardee, Cadet/LTJG Mason Lim, alongside him is the PHS Naval Science Instructor, Senior Chief David McDermott

RECIPIENT	SCHOOL	STATE
C/A1C Gianni LaRoca	Ben Eielson High School	AK
C/CPL Connor Bihag	Lathrop High School	AK
C/A1C Cavan Malone	North Pole High School	AK
C/SGT Elizabeth Burt	Auburn High School	AL
C/SSG Emily Tran	Auburn High School	AL
C/A1C Ryan Miller	Hoover High School	AL
C/SSG Gracie Lee	Arkadelphia High School	AR
C/A1C Leriyas Williams	Osceola High School	AR
C/TSgt Anyla Summeral-Allen	Buckeye Union High School	AZ
C/Maj Araceli Rodriguez-LeChance	Peoria High School	AZ
C/A1C Ocean Briggs	Poston Butte High School	AZ
C/1LT Daniel Giron	De Anza High School	CA
C/A1C Luis Ventura	De Anza High School	CA
C/AB Fatafehi Fetu'u	De Anza High School	CA
C/Amn Hamid Chughtai	De Anza High School	CA
C/Amn Sergio Flores	De Anza High School	CA
C/CMSgt Cedric Coloma	De Anza High School	CA
C/MSgt Caitlin Louis	De Anza High School	CA
C/SrA Nghi Huynh	De Anza High School	CA

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C/1LT Alakai Pascua	Mira Mesa High School	CA
C/Lt Col Tina Nguyen	Mira Mesa High School	CA
C/CMSgt Dylan Monroe	Oxnard High School	CA
C/SSgt Contessa Cunningham	Royal High School	CA
Cadet Ashlyn Foraker	Sultana High School	CA
Cadet Jocelyn Barrita	Sultana High School	CA
Cadet Jose Perez	Sultana High School	CA
Cadet Kevin Brito	Sultana High School	CA
C/A1C Ivan Tapia	Victor Valley Union High School	CA
C/Amn Maximus Kotte	Whitney High School	CA
C/SrAmn Victoria Rose	Air Force Academy High School	CO
C/SMSGt Grace Lupton	Falcon High School	CO
C/Lt Col Brianna Ambrus	Rangeview High School	CO
C/SrA Daelyn Romero	Vista Ridge High School	CO
C/SrA Maya Warner	Vista Ridge High School	CO
Cadet Brianna Andoh	Naugatuck High School	CT
Cadet Cole Verdin	Naugatuck High School	CT
Cadet Ethan McKeon	Naugatuck High School	CT
Cadet Yalissa Figueroa	Naugatuck High School	CT
C/PO3 Erica Hinojosa	Seaford High School	DE
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C/Seamon Davin Payne	Bishop Kenny High School	FL
C/PFC Ne'vaeh Williams	Chipley High School	FL
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C/Major Maria Oliveria	Dr. Phillips High School	FL
C/Capt Alena Nieves	FLagler Palm Coast High School	FL
C/LT Daniella Rossi	Forest Hill Community High School	FL
C/1LT Dylan Robbins	Fort Walton Beach High School	FL
C/SMSGt Kylie Brown	Gulf Breeze High School	FL
C/SrA Benjamin Tootle	Gulf Breeze High School	FL
Cadet Harley Fambrough	Hollywood Hills High School	FL
C/Major Ruth Pierre	Kathleen Senior High School	FL
C/SrA Michael Brutus	Mount Dora High School	FL
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C/TSgt Maclis Cowdrey	Mount Dora High School	FL
C/1LT Ilaya Tunc	Northeast High School	FL
C/Maj Shayna Robinson	Northeast High School	FL
C/MSgt Kubilay Tunc	Northeast High School	FL
C/SMSGT Magnus Warywoda	Northeast High School	FL
C/Seaman Tatiana Smith	Riverview High School	FL
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C/2LT Vanessa Mayberry	Rutherford High School	FL
Cadet Jonah Mak	Seminole High School	FL
C/Sgt Vanessa Pupo	Seminole Ridge Community High School	FL
C/1SG Joshua Spier	Steinbrenner High School	FL
Cadet Emanuel Betances	Timber Creek High School	FL
Cadet Jamari Foster	Timber Creek High School	FL
Cadet Juan Diego Rojas	Timber Creek High School	FL
Cadet Maddox Wells	Timber Creek High School	FL
C/PO1 Jayden Gunter	Valdosta High School	FL
Cadet Katerina Conley	Cartersville High School	GA
C/2LT Madison J. Renner	Effingham County High School	GA
C/2LT Tyler H. Timms	Effingham County High School	GA
C/PO3 Patrick Layne	Hillgrove High School	GA
C/PO3 Travis Johnson	Hillgrove High School	GA
C/SN Jordan Greene	Hillgrove High School	GA
C/COL Joshua Schrambeck	New Hampstead High School	GA
C/2LT Jose Marin Guzman	Westside High School	GA
C/COL Kayla Graham	Westside High School	GA
C/2LT Nathan Grach	Mililani High School	HI
C/SSgt Alex Van Sickle	Abraham Lincoln High School	IA
C/1LT Derrius Smith	Sioux City Career Academy	IA
C/Ensign Lorenzo Mendoza	Bloom Township High School	IL
C/SrA Sarah Maxey	Owen Valley High School	IN
C/2nd Lt Kathleen Lopez-Amezua	East High School	KS
C/1st Lt Camden Piper	Heights High School	KS
C/Sgt Christian Cooper	Junction City High School	KS
C/SSG Breanna Dunavan	Junction City High School	KS

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C/CPL Greer Donaldson-Loescher	North High School	KS
C/2nd Lt Isaiah Amaya	Northwest High School	KS
C/LTC Alex Richey	South High School	KS
Cadet Eman Kago	Southeast High School	KS
C/SFC Makayli Geurink	Topeka West High School	KS
C/CPL Brooklyn Costilla	West High School	KS
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C/Amn Samora Lomelil-Hoskins	Eastern Wayne High School	NC
C/Amn Taylor Ahrens	Eastern Wayne High School	NC
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C/Sra Jaydin Chapman	Eastern Wayne High School	NC
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C/Seaman Scarlet Susana	Deptford Township High School	NJ
Cadet Nicholas Grungo	Highland Regional High School	NJ
C/SSgt Jose Lainez-Martinez	Jackson Memorial High School	NJ
C/Tsgt Cyara Ferreira	Mount Olive High School	NJ
Cadet Aiden Hauta	Oakrest High School	NJ
C/MSgt Juliana Barnard	Williamston High School	NJ
C/2Lt Douglas Littlejohn	Williamstown High School	NJ
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C/SMSGT Tara Baggott	Belbrook High School	OH
C/SrA Brook Norrod	Fairborn High School	OH
Cadet Jasmine Bieszard	Fairborn High School	OH
C/SSgt Kyra Bailey	Green High School	OH
C/2nd LT Mackayla Vickroy	Logan High School	OH
C/A1C Ariann Banks	Logan High School	OH
C/Maj Ethan Bartch	Logan High School	OH
C/SRA Sydney Hammack	Logan High School	OH

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C/Msgt Chandise Wells	Broken Arrow High School	OK
C/Amn Autumn Davidson	Choctaw High School	OK
C/Amn Elizabeith Johnson	Choctaw High School	OK
C/EN Daniella Loera	Western Heights High School	OK
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C/TSgt Adam Bergmaier	Phoenixville Area High School	PA
C/A1C Courtney Lamberson	Ashley Ridge High School	SC
C/Maj Garin Loff	Ashley Ridge High School	SC
C/MSgt Zachery Brady	Ashley Ridge High School	SC
C/SSgt JaMya Daweese	Ashley Ridge High School	SC
C/A1C Eva Sanders	Broome High School	SC
C/A1C Indianna Simpson	Broome High School	SC
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C/MSgt Levi Edwards	Lexington High School	SC
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C/SR Amya Hout	North Augusta High School	SC
S/.SR Gabrielle Alaniz	North Augusta High School	SC
C/SA Danna Villabazo	North Augusta High School	SC
C/SN Carlos Ochoa	North Augusta High School	SC
C/COL Chesnei M Cape	Palmetto High School	SC
C/Maj Jimmy R. Ford-Ferguson	Palmetto High School	SC
C/SrA Isabella L. Holland	Palmetto High School	SC
C/SSgt Genesis Sigaran	Palmetto High School	SC

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C/A1C Lillian Whitehead	Pendleton High School	SC
C/SFC Serenity Jordan	Ridge View High School	SC
C/PO3 Savanna Bayham	South Aiken High School	SC
C/Seaman Dominique West	South Aiken High School	SC
C/Senior Chief Emma Stone	South Aiken High School	SC
Cadet Gunner Lee	Wando High School	SC
Cadet Joshua Mart	Wando High School	SC
Cadet Zachery Johnson	Wando High School	SC
C/PO1 Dean Cherry	White Knoll High School	SC
PO3 Miles Iverson	Bearden High School	TN
C/1SG Miguel Valdes	Creek Wood High School	TN
C/CPL Alan Foeder	Fred J. Page High School	TN
C/SGT Harper McGee	Fred J. Page High School	TN
C/A1C Hadley Sisk	Hixson High School	TN
C/Msgt Ethan Armstrong	Hixson High School	TN
C/SSgt Makinna Schwartz	Hixson High School	TN
C/TSgt Andrew Price	Hixson High School	TN
C/TSgt Carolyn Jackson	Hixson High School	TN
C/LCDR Andrea I Range	Oak Ridge High School	TN
C/LT Terrance L Ladd	Oak Ridge High School	TN
C/A1C Alexis Buentello	Alice High School	TX
C/A1C Joshua Newton	Burkburnett High School	TX
C/A1C Landon De Hoyos	Canyon High School	TX
C/A1C Maya Martinez	Canyon High School	TX
C/SA Aubrey Ellebracht	Canyon High School	TX
C/SA Clara Hartman	Canyon High School	TX
C/SrA Anah Anderson	Denton High School	TX
C/SFC Madison Munoz	East Central High School	TX
C/Maj Caludia Helena Lopez	Holmes High School	TX
C/Capt Brianna Shamer	Lamar Consolidated High School	TX
C/Sgt Laina Gray	Lancaster High School	TX
C/ENS Nelson Arias	Lubbock High School	TX
C/PO2 Giovanni Martinez	Lubbock High School	TX

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C/SSG Annabelle Evans	Roger G. Cole High School	TX
C/Ensign Cabrera Suley	Ross Shaw Sterling Aviation	TX
C/1LT Ismael Mariquez	Samuel Clemens High School	TX
C/A1C Aylin Perez	Splendora High School	TX
C/Ensign Reagan Brady	Vista Ridge High School	TX
C/SSgt Rhian Eppley	Battlefield High School	VA
C/A1C Zoey Burgwin	King William High School	VA
C/MAJ Ronin Dowling	North Stafford High School	VA
C/MAJ Matthew Dinsmore	Orange County High School	VA
C/PO2 Audryeahna Linehan	Marysville High School	WA
C/PO2 Sabrina Ly	Marysville High School	WA
C/PO2 Tyler Groff	Marysville High School	WA
C/PO3 Aimee Lam	Marysville High School	WA
C/PO1 Christina Iverson	Peninsula School District	WA
C/PO1 Eben Small	Peninsula School District	WA
C/PO1 Juntine Sorrels	Peninsula School District	WA
C/PO2 Evan Offutt	Peninsula School District	WA
C/PO2 Garrett Sale	Peninsula School District	WA
C/PO2 Prince Charles	Peninsula School District	WA
C/PO3 Jack Clark	Peninsula School District	WA
C/SN Audrey Supry	Peninsula School District	WA
C/SN Christopher Swainston	Peninsula School District	WA
C/SN Nathaniel Hulsey	Peninsula School District	WA
C/SN Paige Neil	Peninsula School District	WA
Cadet Levi Wilson	Cheyenne East High School	WY
C/Sgt Christian Garvin	Natrona County High School	WY

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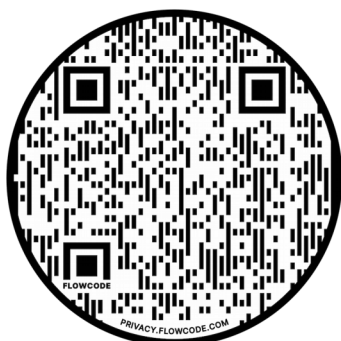


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Thank you!



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