



Cadet Programs

Cadet Programs is one of the three missions of Civil Air Patrol. If America is to become an aerospace nation, CAP cadets will be part of the solution. Cadets are extraordinary youth aged 12 to 20. They're goal-driven, disciplined, and motivated. While maintaining excellence at school, they're enrolled in a rigorous program developing their potential in four thematic areas: leadership, aerospace, fitness, and character. Today's cadets are tomorrow's leaders.

Core Values

*Integrity,
Volunteer Service,
Excellence and
Respect*

Civil Air Patrol



Gwinnett County Composite Squadron

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Great Start Program

Great Start Training

Great Start is a comprehensive introduction to CAP for new cadets. Great Start places new cadets in a structured training program. Great Start transforms a cohort of ordinary youth into cadet airmen in eight short weeks.

The Great Start journey begins by attending one of our open house sessions.

Great start is led by experienced cadets under the supervision of qualified senior members.



We understand that you may be anxious to start your career in Civil Air Patrol. Great Start is a proven method to enhance the cadet experience.

Great Start topics include introduction to drill and ceremonies, leadership, uniform wear, and aircraft ground handling.



Basic Expectations for Great Start Cadets

- ★ Stay with CAP. Give the cadet experience a chance to impact your life.
- ★ Attend your weekly squadron meetings.
- ★ Attend one "Saturday" event per month, if available.

Great Start Open House Dates

- List of Open House Dates
 - May 15th 2021
 - To Be Announced (Summer)



Note that a \$100 voucher to Vanguard to purchase a blues uniform is provided once the cadet earns the Curry Achievement and is promoted to Airman.