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Northside High AFJROTC Receive Outstanding Instructors Awards Maj. Jolissaint also Georgia JROTC Teacher of the Year



HOUSTON COUNTY, GA – Three Northside High School Air Force Junior ROTC (AFJROTC) GA-062 instructors were recently honored by headquarters. Maj. Dennis Jolissaint, Chief Charles Mize and MSgt. Laura Sauls were each presented a 2019-2020 Outstanding Instructors Award (OIA) by HQ AFJROTC.

This award recognizes their “diligent work and outstanding achievement” in the development of cadets and encourages excellence through recognition of superior accomplishment. Of more than 1,900 AFJROTC instructors worldwide, only a little more than 220 were selected for this year’s OIA. Pictured (from left) are CMSgt. Mize, MSgt. Sauls and Maj. Jolissaint.

Senior Aerospace Science Instructor (SASI), Maj. Jolissaint will also be honored as the Georgia Association of Career and Technical Education (GACTE) Teacher of the Year, JROTC Division. This honor also makes him a nominee for the overall GACTE Teacher of the Year. The 2020 conference and ceremony presentations and overall winner announcement will be a virtual celebration held July 15-16, 2020.

Northside High’s GA-062 AFJROTC program had an outstanding year. Three teams won county championships to include JV Colorguard, Model Rocket Team and Flickerball team. The unit also received an overall “Exceeds Standards” on the HQ AFJROTC Unit Evaluation and recognized as a Distinguished Unit with Merit.

Maj. Jolissaint said, “Last summer, during the Cadet Leadership Course (CLC) held at Camp John Hope, Cadet Col. Chase Fletcher (NHS GA-062 Corp Commander) served the Camp Commander, a position which rotates between all five high schools in the county. I looked at the cadet cadre staff he had and said, ‘You have a great staff, tell them what you want done, and get out of the way. They will make you look good.’ He did, and they did exactly that. I took my own advice this year. CMSgt. Mize, MSgt. Sauls, the Corp of Cadets, cadet staff, and the administration at Northside High made me look good. They did all of this. I cannot express how amazing my students and coworkers are at Northside High. Simply put, there is the best, and then there is the rest. Go Eagles!”

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Air Force JROTC programs are established in close to 890 high schools across the United States and at selected schools in Europe, the Pacific, and Puerto Rico. Air Force JROTC enrollment includes more than 125,000 cadets who do over 1.5 million hours of community service each year.

Northside High School is located at 926 Green Street in Warner Robins. Dr. Jody Dean serves as principal. For more information, please contact Maj. Jolissaint at 478-929-7784, ext. 2, or Dennis.Jolissaint@hcbe.net.

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