



Canada





This presentation includes information on how the program runs during normal times. We currently have precautions in place for the pandemic, including running virtually with no in-person activities until further notice.

You will see what looks like "track changes" (example) or notes with asterix (\*) to denote special changes from the normal times.

The safety of our participants is our first and most important priority.











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### What is the Cadet Program?

- Canadian Cadet Organization is the largest federally funded Youth Program in Canada:
  - ~55,000 Cadets across Canada, in Sea, Army, and Air units,
  - ~25,000 Air Cadets alone.
- Cadets are NOT part of the Canadian Armed Forces, nor are they expected or required to join.
  - A part of the program includes introducing to Sea, Army and/or Air activities of the Canadian Armed Forces and certain military traditions;
  - Cadets are also introduced to many civilian career choices that the cadet program can help them towards.
- ▶ The three aims of the Canadian Cadet Program are:
  - Develop good leadership and citizenship among youth
  - Develop physical fitness among youth
  - Foster an interest in the activities of the Canadian Armed Forces









### What does Joining Mean?

- ► Having fun;
- ▶ Being with friends and making new ones;
- ▶ Partaking in interesting and unique challenges;
- Participating in diverse training at no cost\*;
- Learning valuable life skills (work and personal);
- Improving self-confidence and a sense of responsibility;
- ► Taking part in structured activities; and
- ▶ Being part of a program that is both welcoming and nurturing, where youth feel included and gain a sense of belonging.







#### Who Can Join?

- ► To join Air Cadets, you must:
  - want to join cadets and have an open mind to the possibilities of the program;
  - have already had your 12th birthday, and not yet had your 19th birthday;
  - be a legal resident of Canada;
  - have the permission of your parent(s) or guardian(s);
  - provide proof of provincial health insurance coverage or equivalent;
  - be in good physical condition;
  - not belong to another corps or squadron (this would be a transfer); and,
  - be acceptable to the Commanding Officer (CO) of the cadet corps or squadron.







### Program Structure

- ► Partnership
  - Air Cadet League of Canada
    - Local Sponsoring Committee
  - Department of National Defence and the Canadian Armed Forces
    - Local: Uniformed adult staff & Civilian Instructors (CI)











## The Cadet Organization: DND Responsibilities

- ► Fund and deliver the mandatory aspects of the program
- Summer training and flying centres
- ► Cadet clothing uniforms
  - Approved and issued on loan by the Department of National Defence
- ▶ Coordinate support for exercises
- ► Enroll and train CIC officers
- ► Liaison with the Air Cadet League









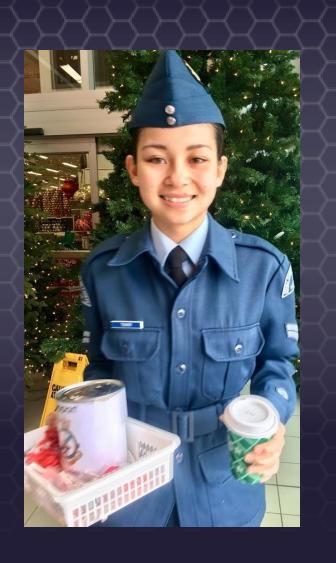
### The Cadet Organization: League Responsibilities

- Providing financial support
- Providing advice, training and assistance to squadron sponsoring committees
- ► Participating in the cadet selection process for national courses and exchange programs
- Providing fleet (gliders, tow planes) for cadets flights and training









#### 75 Squadron Sponsoring Committee

- ➤ Squadron Sponsoring Committee (SSC) has 5-11 members.
- ► Annual election for membership (September 2020)
- ► SSC is responsible for:
  - ► Facilities and contracts: for regular cadet training and external activities, along with additional support (car pools, canteen, food at Field Training Exercises)
  - promoting the Cadet Program in the community;
  - ► Finances: fundraising, sponsorships, and squadron's monetary assets;
  - Participating in merit review process in collaboration with DND staff
- ► Any contribution is welcome. A few hours or days
  - ► All contributions of your time, knowledge, or money are appreciated!







### 2020-21 SSC

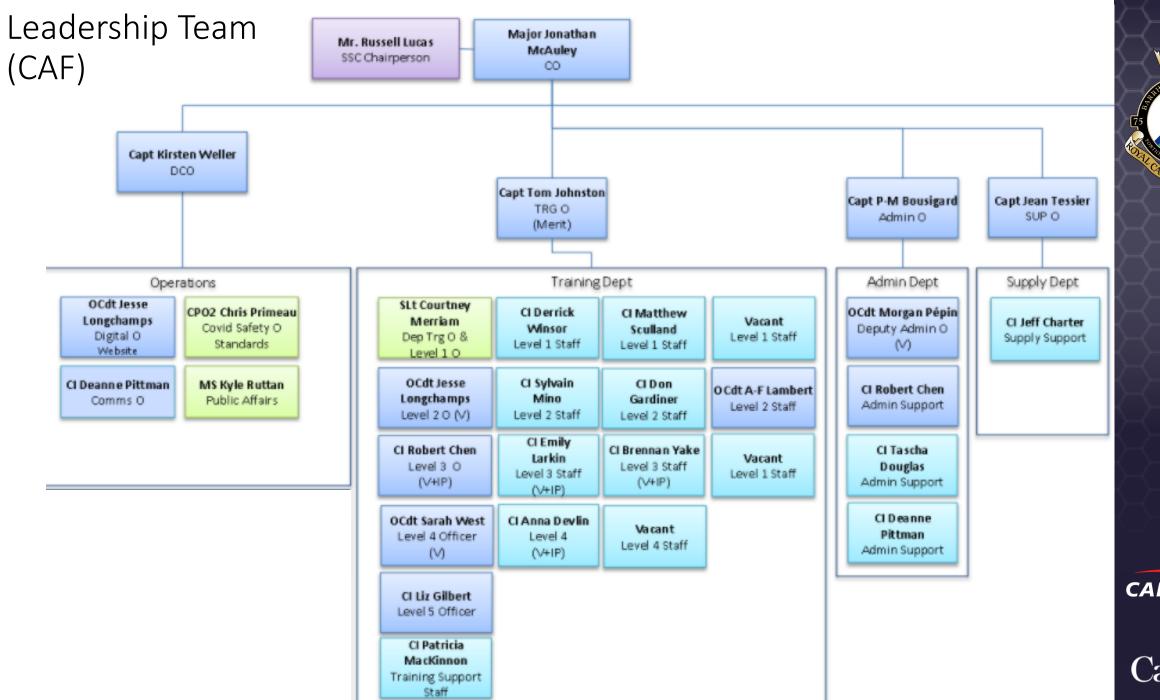


- ► Chair Russell Lucas
- ▶ Treasurer Svetlana Cernetchi
- ▶ 1st Vice Shannon Barkhouse
- ▶ 2nd Vice Sara Kearley
- Secretary Leanne Sculland
- ▶ Director Carolyn Entwistle
- ▶ Director Debbie Kinny
- ▶ Director Claire Akue
- ▶ Director Jodi Jennings
- ▶ Director Colleen Pearcy
- ▶ Director Trenton Entwistle















# Regular Training (Parade) Evenings \*Under normal circumstances\*

▶ We meet regularly on Thursdays, 6:15 to 9:30pm.

| Time          | Activity  |
|---------------|---|
| 6:00 – 6:15pm | Arrival of Cadets   |
| 6:15 - 6:55pm | <ul> <li>Opening Parade</li> <li>Weekly rotation: group in gym vs classrooms</li> <li>Attendance is taken*</li> <li>Uniforms inspected</li> </ul>   |
| 7:00pm        | Attendance is now with Administration*  |
| 7:00 – 8:55pm | <ul> <li>Three periods by level</li> <li>Topics vary: Aviation, citizenship, leadership, Royal Canadian Air Force and CAF familiarization</li> <li>Participate in sports, fitness, leadership, and team activities</li> <li>Participate in drill and ceremonial activities</li> </ul> |
| 9:00 – 9:30pm | Closing Parade (announcements)  |
| 9:30 - 9:45pm | Parental pick-up*   |

# Virtual Training (Parade) Evenings \*current circumstances\*

- ▶ We meet regularly on Thursdays, 6:30 to 8:15pm
- ▶ This is a new schedule we are piloting. We will let you know if we change it.

#### **Google Classroom Resources for Levels:**

75 Sqn will be using <u>Google Classrooms</u> to complete parts of our mandatory training throughout the training year. The google classroom code will be provided by your Level 1 Officer after you are confirmed registered.

| Time                       | Activity  |
|----------------------------|---|
| 6:30 - 7:00pm (occasional) | <ul> <li>Admin/Optional Social</li> <li>Attendance &amp; announcements</li> <li>Get to know cadets in your level with ice-breakers</li> </ul>   |
| 7:00 – 8:15pm              | <ul> <li>Two periods of lessons by level</li> <li>Topics vary: Aviation, citizenship, leadership, Royal Canadian Air Force and CAF familiarization</li> <li>Some on-your-own activities (physical fitness self-assessment, practice drill)</li> </ul> |





# ComplimentaryTraining

- Air Cadets offers opportunities to do all kinds of activities:
- \*\*currently or will be virtual
- \*may resume if in-person activities permitted in the future
  - Music Program \*\*
  - Flying and gliding Survival and field craft\*
  - Sports\*
  - Biathlon\*\*
  - Marksmanship\*
  - Community service\*
  - Duke of Edinburgh\*\*
  - Drill\*
  - Effective speaking\*\*







### Summer Training Opportunities\* Under normal circumstances

- ▶ There are a large number of summer training activities available.
- Merit based selection
- Privilege & Not a Right (~30% of Sqn Strength Attend)
- ► Summer Courses are available in:
  - General Training\*\* (1st Year) 2 Weeks
  - Basic Level (2nd +) 3 Weeks
  - Intermediate Level (3rd +) 3-6 Weeks
  - National Courses (4th +) 3, 6 & 7 Weeks

- ► Topics vary:
  - ► Music Training
  - ▶ Sports and Fitness
  - Drill and Ceremonial
  - Marksmanship
  - Survival Skills
  - ▶ Gliding and Power Pilot programs\*\*

\*\*The cadet program is considering options for General Training, the Glider & Power Pilot programs











## What does the program cost?

- ▶ No dues or registration fees
  - ► The per-cadet cost is approximately (\$300/per Cadet/year)\*\*\*
  - ► Under normal circumstances, some reward activities may have a cost (Year End Trip for example)
- ▶ Uniforms are provided on loan and free of charge. Cadets are responsible to maintain their uniforms and return them upon withdrawing from the program.
- ► Under normal circumstances, cadets are expected/required to participate in some fundraising activities, and we also need parent volunteers: \*there will be no fundraisers for 2020-21\*
  - ► Typically:
    - ► Walkathon in September
    - ► Tag Days in October and in April













Mandatory/Complimentary Training: Under normal circumstances. \*No in-person activities until further notice.

- ► Mandatory Training Activities:
  - ▶ 2-3 Flying Days
  - ▶ 2 Field Training Exercises
- ► Complimentary Activities:
  - ► Museum visits, airport tours, sports outings, field trips











## Supply

- ► The care and custody of all items of clothing issued are the responsibility of the individual cadet and their parents or guardian
- ► Uniform fitting will be done via self-assessments at home
- ► New cadets will be issued a uniform, to be returned to the squadron\*.
- ▶ Until they get their uniform, recruits should wear
  - ► A white collared dress shirt or Squadron Shirt
  - Dress pants
- ► \*Note that under current pandemic circumstances of no in-person activities, uniform kitting will be delayed until circumstances/directives allow for resumption.

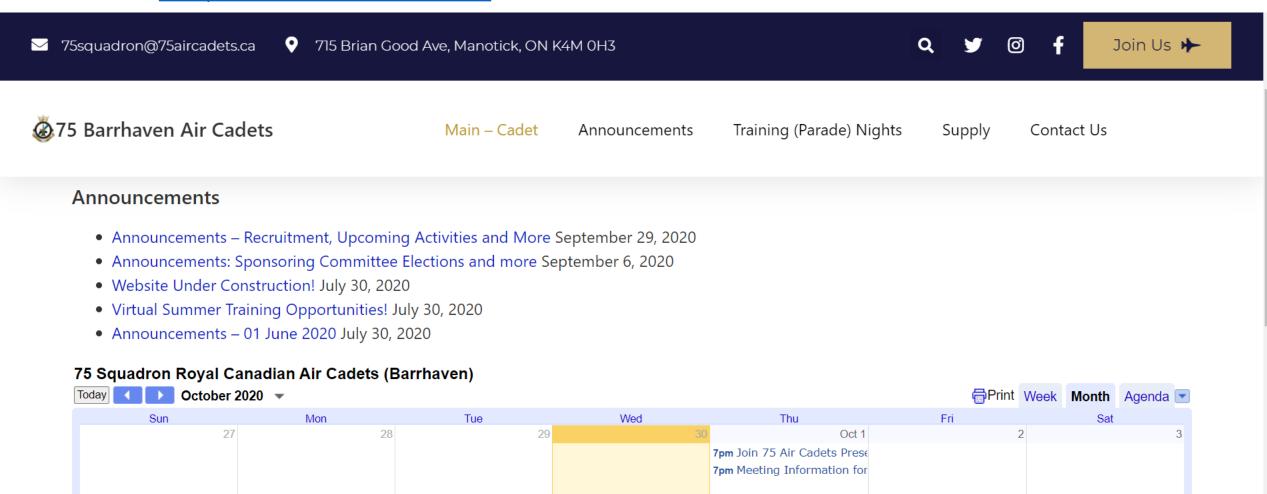






### Keeping Informed – where do you find information?

- ► Website: <u>www.75aircadets.ca</u>
- ► Facebook: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/75Squadron/">https://www.facebook.com/75Squadron/</a> Twitter: <a href="mailto:@75Squadron">@75Squadron</a> Instagram: 75Squadron
- ► E-mail: 75squadron@75aircadets.ca



#### Other Information: Attendance\*

\*The list below applies to normal circumstances. 2020-21, we encourage participation in the program, but no penalties should a cadet not be able to participate virtually or *in-person*.

- ▶ Attendance (and positive participation) is the most important consideration when cadets are being selected for summer courses, promotions, awards and other opportunities.
- ► After 7pm is a late arrival cadets must report to Administration.
- ► Similar to school, cadets are expected to be present for regular Parade nights, and for activities they sign up for.
- ► The Squadron will suspend membership after 3 consecutive weeks of absence without prior approval.
- ► Cadets who are going to be absent for an activity, including regular training nights, are expected to request leave for that activity.
- ► If a cadet cannot be present for an activity, they must inform the squadron via the website **Report** an Absence form.









### Take Away

- ► Five things to remember about Cadets:
  - ► Cadets are proud Canadian members of our community;
  - ► Cadets seek and appreciate healthy discipline;
  - ► Cadets are healthy in mind and body;
  - ► Cadets represent Canada in a positive light; and
  - ► Cadets contribute to Canada's future







## So, how do you register?

- ▶ Paperwork Completed and mailed in to include:
  - ► Rules of Conduct for Cadets
  - ► CF 1158 Application for Membership
  - ► Health Card & Proof of Citizenship
  - ▶ If required DND 2570 Detailed Health Questionnaire.
  - ► If required RISK OF ANAPHALAXIS & Food Sensitivity Forms
  - ▶ We will not accept incomplete applications, you will be able to return with all documents tonight or submit them to Admin by Thursday 29 October 2020.
  - ► We will not accept any applications after 29 October. Openings during our January intake will depend on how many cadets are registered during the Fall intake.

#### Supply

➤ After registration is complete, you will be contacted by email or through google classroom to fill out your at-home measurements for a uniform. Uniform deliveries won't take place until the current in-person pandemic restrictions are lifted.

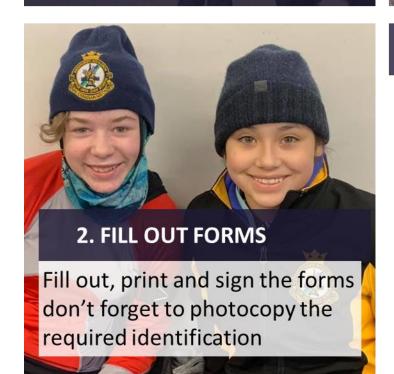












#### 3. SUBMIT FORMS

#### By Mail:

75 Barrhaven Air Cadets PO Box 34038 Strandherd R.O. 3781 Strandherd Rd Nepean, ON, K2J 4B0









- Masks provided
   Contact tracing to all cadets

  - Sanitized area
- Max 50 people

#### **IN PERSON PRECAUTIONS**

All in-person activities are on hold until further notice MUUPS

Only virtual activities will continue at this time. Update of 30 Sep 2020: Twe

- Mandatory sign-in for all

Rotational in-person by level:

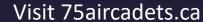
- 45 cadets
- 5 adult staff

Every cadet assigned to a level group, choice of inperson/virtual or both

Each group includes google classrooms

Attendance points for both











#### Contact Us – best way by email

• Email – General Inquiries: <u>75squadron@75aircadets.ca</u>

• Commanding Officer: <a href="Mailto:CO@75aircadets.ca">CO@75aircadets.ca</a>

Administration Officer: <a href="mailto:Administration@75aircadets.ca">Administration@75aircadets.ca</a>

Supply Officer: Supply@75aircadets.ca

Training Officer: <u>Training@75aircadets.ca</u>

• Band Programs: <a href="mailto:cadets.band.programs@gmail.com">cadets.band.programs@gmail.com</a>
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 Level 3 Officer: Level3Officer@75aircadets.ca
 Level 4 Officer: Level4Officer@75aircadets.ca
 Level 5 Officer: Level5Officer@75aircadets.ca

• <u>Social Media:</u>

• Twitter: <u>@75Squadron</u>

Instagram: <u>@75squadron</u>

Facebook: 75 Barrhaven Royal Canadian Air Cadets







# FAQs – Registration Process

- Can we send our application forms via email? Due to the protected information contained in a filled-out application form, we are asking all requests for memberships and other documents required to be mailed to us: 75 Barrhaven Air Cadets PO Box 34038 Strandherd R.O. 3781 Strandherd Rd Nepean, ON, K2J 4B0
- When will we hear back our child is in fact confirmed and registered? When the registration is complete, you will receive an email from our Administration team and/or the Level 1 staff with instructions for next steps. Please allow for about a week of process time, after which you are welcome to check-in with the Level 1 Officer by email: Level1Officer@75aircadets.ca
- If my kid will turn 12 after the October 29<sup>th</sup> intake deadline, can I still submit the registration form? Yes if the birthday is near the beginning of our first intake and the youth hasn't missed too much, we may accept them into the program, otherwise we will be collecting forms toward a second intake in January.
- My son is joining and he is 15. Can he be with his peers at the same age or does he start at level 1 with the 12 / 13 year olds? When youth join at 14 or 15 years old, we have a late-joiner policy that allows us to fast-track them and place them in level 2 or 3 with the same age group.
- When is the first training night? When are the Online classes going to start for level 1? We are starting online training on October 8<sup>th</sup>, and are able to catch-up anyone that joins during the first intake period. A second intake will open in January with a new level 1 training group that will be caught up with the others that start in September.







# FAQs - Training

- How long do you think until we can start in person training? Currently our program directives (issued 30 Sep) are not to have any in-person activities until further notice. The pandemic situation is being monitored and precautions are being implemented on a regional and case-by-case basis.
- Will familiarization flights be on hold due to Covid? Under normal circumstances, we organize flights in gliders or cessnas for our level 1&2 cadets. These are on hold due to no-in person activities at this time.
- Will we be able to do marksmanship at level 1? Marksmanship training is on hold at this time.
- What will be the dress code for the virtual training sessions? As a uniformed organization, we ask participants to wear a white dress shirt and black pants when they don't have a uniform.
- For uniforms, how and when will our child receive their uniform after they fill in the online form with their measurements? Uniform kitting is currently on hold while no in-person activities are permitted. Depending on the precautions in place after in-person activities are permitted, our plan will be to schedule appointments by small groups to have the uniform picked-up.
- When will the band program start, and do we choose, supply our own instruments? How many nights per week if joining the bands program? Will band program also at Thursday? The music program is going to run virtually, and none of our optional activities will coincide with our regular Thursday training. We will be posting information about the program in our announcements in the coming weeks.





