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Cadets, Parents/Guardians

Welcome Back!

Below you will find information about the running of our squadron and the expectations we hold to ensure effective communication, use of time, and many general points of interest.

107 Spitfire Contact Information

Main Squadron Email – 107air@cadets.gc.ca

Reporting an absence – 107absent@gmail.com

Squadron Cell Phone (text or call) – 306 370 8152

107 Regular Communication

1. Calendar – <http://www.107spitfire.com/calendar.html>

The calendar will have all the information about upcoming activities and will include which dress we expect the cadets to be in.

Regular Parade = Field Training Uniform (FTUs) (blue t-shirt, green tunic & pants, belt, beret, combat boots); COs Parade = Level 1 – FTU (until they have a dress uniform); Level 2+ - Full dress uniform (dress shirt, tie, tunic, dress boots pants, belt, wedge); Sports Night = Sports clothing (shorts/sweatpants, t-shirt, running shoes and **water bottle**)

The calendar also lists whether an activity is mandatory (M) or optional (O). Only mandatory activities require excused absence emails.

Information regarding an event will be updated in the calendar at least 2 hours in advance of the activity. It is our goal to have updates in the calendar at least 24 hours in advance, but sometimes this is not possible. Last-minute changes are bound to happen (due to weather or unforeseen circumstances), so please check as close to the activity as possible.

A cadet who does not attend at least one regular parade a month will not be allowed to participate in the optional activities provided by the squadron; marked as “O” in the calendar (biathlon, marksmanship, band, ground school, effective speaking, etc.).

2. Facebook Group – <https://www.facebook.com/groups/181138318580725/>

Facebook announcements will be used for quick communication if something has changed with short notice.

3. Microsoft Teams – All cadets will have a login for Cadets365 and Microsoft Teams. We will use the squadrons main channel in Teams to post relevant information and updates.

Our goal is to foster your cadet's development, with the expectation that they communicate updates with you however, **parents who are screened may have Cadet365 access and can be included directly in communications via Microsoft Teams.**

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4. **In Person** – The squadron has 10-15 minutes of announcements every Thursday starting at 2030hrs. Everyone is welcome to come in and listen to announcements.
5. **Email** – Contacts listed above. Email will be used sparingly and only when essential for large-scale dissemination of information. Feel to email the squadron if you wish to communicate outside of regular parade hours.

Please make sure to provide/update your email address by using our Microsoft Forms link at <https://forms.office.com/r/cu4iemFQy1>.

107 Spitfire Expectations

Expectations of Cadets - It is expected that:

1. Cadets arrive on time and in uniform. They may, if required, bring their uniform with them, and change at the armoury, but the expectation is that all cadets will be in uniform for opening parade at 1830hrs.
2. Cadets' uniforms will be well cared for. At minimum, cadet uniforms will be **clean**, free of stains, and ironed (dress uniforms). All boots will be free of dirt and dress boots will be shined to the best ability of the cadet.
3. Cadets will sign themselves in on the attendance sheet upon arrival at the armoury or activity. Each cadet will sign **only** for themselves.
4. Cadets will email **prior to the start** of any "mandatory" activity if they are not able to attend. Optional activities do not require an email if a cadet is not going to be present.
5. Cadets will check the calendar if they are uncertain about a timing or the required uniform.
6. Cadets will use the chain of command for any, and all, non-emergent things.

Expectations of Parents and Guardians - It is expected that:

1. Parents/Guardians understand that the Royal Canadian Cadet Program is not a delinquency program and should not be used as such.
2. **Parents/Guardians drop off and pick up their cadets on time. PICK UP TIME IS 2045hrs for Parade nights.**
3. The armoury will be open at 1815hrs and cadets should arrive no later than 1825hrs. Cadets **will not** be dropped off prior to 1815hrs.
4. **Parents/Guardians with cadets who attend extracurricular activities will risk their cadet's ability to participate if they perpetually miss pick up timings.**
5. If a parent/guardian is perpetually late picking their cadet up, further discussion will be had with the Commanding Officer.

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6. At least one parent/guardian of every cadet will register to be a screened volunteer.
7. Parents/guardians will actively participate in fundraising activities (listed below).
8. Parents/guardians encourage their cadet to be proud of their uniform and **help teach** their cadet how to maintain it. Uniforms are all machine washable.
9. Parents/guardians support their cadet by attending COs parades and parents' meetings when they are able. COs parades and parents' meetings will be marked in the calendar.

Expectations of Squadron Staff – what you can expect of us - It is expected that:

1. Squadron staff will be fair, kind and nurturing in their interactions with your cadet while being completely honest.
2. Squadron staff will have your cadet ready for pick up no later than 2045hrs on regular parade nights and no later than the designated pick-up time for other activities.
3. Squadron staff will keep the calendar up to date.
4. Squadron staff will post on the Facebook group and Teams Channel any changes to, or extra information for, activities as soon as we are able.
5. Squadron staff will read every text and email sent to the squadron. **However**, as we receive multiple messages regularly, unless your message requires a response, none will be given. Please trust that even though you do not receive a response, your message has been received.
6. Please make sure to provide/update your email address by using our Microsoft Forms link at <https://forms.office.com/r/cu4iemFQy1> if there are any changes during the training year (there is also a QR code available at the armoury).

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Fundraising Activities - Expectations

The Royal Canadian Air Cadet Program is often considered a "free" program. It is in fact free to join, but our squadron is active in extra activities for which we must fundraise. These activities include Band, Biathlon, Marksmanship, Effective Speaking, Guard, Flag Party, Sports, Ground School, and Year End Trips.

These activities cost money and are supported by fundraising. The SSC executive will be asking that all cadets and parents participate as they are able in fundraising efforts. We understand that cadets, and parents are very busy, so we have focused our efforts on our best opportunities. For this strategy to work, cadets and parents are expected to arrange their schedules so that they can participate in squadron fundraisers. Your participation is vital to the health of the squadron.

The following are our 3 main fundraising opportunities for 2025-2026

1. Grey Cup Score Tickets – Tickets should be available for the beginning of October, with a return of stubs for November 6th, 2025
2. Poppy Day – Saturday November 1st, 2025
3. Air Cadet League Raffle Tickets – a fall and a spring window

The Grey Cup Score Tickets are our best fundraiser; we keep the profit of all tickets sold after paying for printing and the winners. Each cadet will be expected to sell 10 tickets for each Raffle. By working together, we can make sure that all cadets receive a well-rounded, enjoyable, and educational experience during their time in the cadet program.

Thank you for sticking with me for as long as it took to read through all this information. My staff and I are looking forward to a great training year. Please let us know if you have any questions, comments or concerns about our expectations.

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