

PARENTS/CADETS

Most cadets were issued their uniforms this past weekend. Below is a brief summary of what each cadet's uniform should include.

Dress Blues (male cadets only) - are the heavier front buttoning black pants and blouse with yoke (flap) that hangs down at the back of the shirt having that distinctive white piping worn with a neckerchief. This uniform needs to be dry cleaned when soiled and is NEVER machine washed. Please iron following the creases already on the uniform. This uniform is worn with the white "Dixie Cup" cover.

Dress Blues (female cadets only) consists of heavy-weight black blazer, white short sleeve shirt, black neck tab, and black dress slacks, black belt with silver buckle. Blazers are to be dry cleaned and never washed. This uniform is worn with the black and white "Combo Cover".

The "Johnny Cash" uniform is the dress uniform for the League Cadets (male and female) and is made up of black pants and a long sleeve black shirt (winter uniform) with black tie and black belt with silver buckle. This uniform is also worn with the white "Dixie Cup" cover for the males. The females wear a black Garrison cover. Uniform can be laundered and pressed. Use name plate on right side above pocket.

BDU's (for all cadets) are the issued woodland camouflage pants and jacket combo that needs to be worn with their black belt and silver buckle, brown T-shirt and a BDU cover that has a US Naval Sea Cadet flash or US Naval League patch sewn and displayed on the front. Ironing of this uniform is recommended.

Dress Whites (summer uniform-Sea Cadet male and female) are white pants and white blouse with Yoke (flap) worn with a neckerchief, and a belt with silver buckle. Most Dress White uniforms can be washed, check label to be sure. This uniform is worn with a "Dixie Cup" cover for males and combo cover for females. **League Cadet Dress Whites** (Salt & Peppers) is a short sleeve, white shirt with their "Johnny Cash" black pants and black belt with silver buckle (no tie) and white T-shirt. Covers are the same as Winter Dress.

In addition all Dress uniforms are to have black, plain toe, Oxford Style Dress Shoes, (NO Patent Leather or Shiny). BDU's require black, polishable boots, plain toe, no visible white stitching.

Pressing of Dress Uniforms for Cadets (See attachment for photo)

Male-Dress Pants (Winter or Summer) - Press inside-out creating creases on the SIDES only. When you turn them right side out there are NO CREASES down the FRONT, only side creases going "in-board".

Females -Dress Pants - Press with creases down the front and back as you would with regular dress pants. Creases go "out-board".

Male - Dress Jumper (Winter or Summer) Press front of the jumper with center creases going "out-board" like a point of an arrow. The back of the jumper should be pressed with a center seam going "in-board".

Remember - Think of a prow of a ship or being shot with an arrow from the back to the front that is how the creases should be pressed.

Flap of the Jumper - Needs 3 creases going "out-board". The center crease should be in the middle of the flap. The other two creases should be equal distance from the center crease.

Neckerchief - Press ONLY with a warm iron or a medium setting with a pressing cloth on top of neckerchief - they are polyester and will easily burn.

Dixie Cover - to clean, soak in a bucket of POWDERED Oxy Clean and ICE WATER for at least two (2) days, then machine wash. Remove and reshape on an upside down bowl and air dry only. Keep stored in a zip lock bag to keep it clean.

Female Covers - The white part of the cover can be removed and should be washed in the same manner as the Dixie Cover. Storage should be in a plastic shoe box to prevent the cover from being crushed and to keep it clean.

DRESS BLUE - DRY CLEAN ONLY

DRESS WHITE - Usually Machine washable - Use a pressing cloth when ironing on a medium setting as you can burn a hole in the uniform - they are polyester.