

Permit 2024-002:

Name:

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ROTC – Military Science

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Are you requesting renewal of a previously approved permit application?

No

Type of activities at The University of Akron Field Station and Bath Nature Preserve
Education

Title of project or class name and course number:

ROTC Leadership Lab

Date/Dates requested:

2/2/24, 2/16/24, 3/1/24, 3/8/24, 4/5/24

Number of people in group:

30

I am requesting permission to use a Research Area.

No

I am requesting permission to use a Sensitive Area.

No

I am requesting permission to use areas outside of the designated Research or Sensitive
Areas.

No

I would like to use the Martin Center for Field Studies and Environmental Education for this
prop...

Yes

Will the activity involve destructive sampling/collecting?

No

Please indicate any preparation or set-up you will need in the Martin Center for Field Studies an...

Classroom setting to brief the Cadets on the lesson objectives using the AV equipment to display PowerPoint slides.

Provide a brief description of (1) your proposed activities, (2) goals, and (3) impacts of your u...

Justification:

1. Activity: Conduct an ROTC Leadership Lab to cultivate team-building skills to enhance communication and problem-solving abilities by supplementing the curriculum covered in Military Science classes.

2. Goals: Cadets acquire hands-on application of leadership to practice foundational Army doctrine

3. Impact: Visualizing the applied concepts in a real-world environment reinforces the Cadet's understanding of the organizational competencies of an Army leader. This experience helps prepare the student for Cadet Summer Training at Fort Knox, KY – the capstone leader development exercise a Cadet must complete before commissioning as a future officer.

General: Students will not be in uniform; everyone will wear civilian attire to “blend” with the community. A sign will be posted at the trailheads informing the public that ROTC training is in progress. There will be no weapons of any kind or military gear used during the lab.

Overview: About 25 Cadets will participate in the lab, broken down into 4 teams of 6. The teams will practice movement techniques through the woods to complete their assigned mission. 3-4 Cadets will be the opposing force at a designated location to give Cadets an objective. My staff of 3 will supervise the operation, stopping movement to teach or reset based on mission parameters. The teams communicate using walkie-talkies to coordinate movement and carry out actions on the objective from the leader's plan. At the end of the mission, Cadets facilitate a discussion on lessons learned

Conduct of the leadership lab:

1. Cadets receive a mission to conduct a task based on a fictitious scenario

2. The leader assesses the situation, identifies the timeline, and critical tasks, then gives a “heads up” notice to subordinate leaders

3. The leader develops an initial plan by analyzing the terrain, weather, and resources available to develop a course of action

4. The leader directs subordinate teams to initiate movement towards the objective

5. A reconnaissance team collects information to confirm/deny the initial assessment

6. Based on the findings, the leader completes the final plan

7. The leader issues the final order for the teams to complete the mission

8. Lastly, the leader supervises the team's preparation and oversees the rehearsals

By checking this box, I agree to the above terms and state that all of the above information is c...

I agree