

## **BENEFITS OF BEING A SEA CADET**

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Not only do cadets get to experience adventure and travel their peers can only imagine, they get a head start on joining the military or going to college. Depending on the rank they earn in the Sea Cadets, they can enter the military at an advanced paygrade. The Sea Cadets also offers college scholarship funds to qualifying cadets.

## **ADVANCEMENT**

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Promotions within the Sea Cadets are based upon merit. Cadet recruits enter as E-1, and upon successful completion of boot camp and other academic requirements advance to apprentice (E-2). As cadets receive additional training, they may advance through the rate structure, eventually attaining the rate of Chief Petty Officer (E-7).

## **TRAVEL OPPORTUNITIES**

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The Naval Sea Cadet Corps also participates in an International Sea Cadet Exchange Program with several countries including Canada, United Kingdom, Belgium, Japan, The Netherlands, Hong Kong, and other countries in Europe and Asia. Each summer selected cadets have the opportunity to meet and train with their foreign counterparts.

## **DRILL TIMES/LOCATIONS**

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US Army Reserve Center  
661 Sullivan Road  
Aurora, Illinois  
Various Saturdays  
8:30 A.M. to 3:30 P.M.



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## **UNITED STATES NAVAL SEA CADET CORPS**

## **AURORA DIVISION**

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*Helping American youth realize  
personal success and achievement.*



*Teaching the values of Honor, Courage,  
and Commitment*

# THE SEA CADET MISSION

The U.S. Naval Sea Cadet Corps is a nationwide organization dedicated to helping American youth realize personal success and achievement through a nautically oriented training program. Through Sea Cadet leadership, young Americans ages 11 through 17 develop interest and skill in basic seamanship and its naval adaptations, while learning the value of patriotism, courage, self reliance, teamwork and accountability. The Aurora Division is sponsored by the City of Aurora, East Aurora School District 131, and the Aurora Council of the Navy League of the United States, a nonprofit organization of U.S. citizens deeply committed to the welfare of young Americans. With this sponsoring, the Aurora Division is able to offer low annual dues and un-paralleled summer training opportunities. The Aurora Division includes both Sea Cadets (ages 13 through 17) and Navy League Cadets (ages 11 through 13). While many other units are specifically Sea Cadets or specifically League Cadets, in the Aurora Division they serve together.

Cadets train aboard U.S. Navy ships and Coast Guard ships and shore activities, and are authorized by the Secretary of the Navy to wear Navy uniforms marked with Naval Sea Cadet insignia.

Approximately 798 Sea Cadet units are opening in nearly every state as well as Puerto Rico and Guam, with approximately 10,000 members.

Membership in the Sea Cadets allows teenagers to sample military life with no obligation to join any branch of the armed forces. Should cadets decide to enlist in the Navy or Coast Guard, their training may allow them entry at an advance paygrade. The Naval Sea Cadet Corps affords equal opportunity for participation to all young Americans regardless of race, color, religion or sex.

## ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

To qualify for the Aurora Division of the U.S. Naval Sea Cadets, you must be:

- 13 years or older (11 for League Cadets) and not have reached 18;
- a citizen of the United States;
- in good health and pass a qualifying physical examination and physical fitness test;
- a full-time student in good academic standing;
- unmarried and of good moral character

## TRAINING & EDUCATION

Sea Cadets are exposed to a broad range of subjects designed to develop the "whole person" concept, and have many opportunities to participate in hands-on

training aboard Navy and Coast Guard ships and shore activities and training schools.

All newly enrolled cadets must first complete two weeks of summer recruit training ("boot camp") at Navy and Coast Guard recruit training commands and selected locations throughout the country. Prior to attending boot camp, recruits must pass the Physical Fitness Test. The boot camp curriculum includes naval history, customs, traditions, seamanship and navigation.

Once cadets have completed boot camp, they may take full advantage of Naval Sea Cadet opportunities during succeeding summers, including advanced two-week training periods aboard Navy and Coast Guard vessels-from small harbor craft to large nuclear-powered aircraft carriers.

Some of the advanced training courses available to Sea Cadets include:

Airman School

SEAL Team training

FAA Ground School and Flight Training

Amphibious Training

Seabee Indoctrination

Medical Training

Leadership Academy

Submarine Orientation

PLUS MORE!