

# Thunderbird Regimented Training Program (TRTP)



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The mission of the Thunderbird Regimented Training Program (TRTP) began in February 1998. TRTP provides a structured environment promoting discipline, education, responsibility and accountability in life skills, physical fitness and community involvement. TRTP ensures the safety and dignity of all Cadets and building self-esteem and respect, not only to themselves, but to others as well. A military style of training is used to teach life and social skills to these youth. The youth, called Cadets, are placed in an environment that is structured and over time, are taught to develop structure for themselves.

TRTP provides a socialization process through which participants can develop the positive self-image, discipline, motivation and identification with the community necessary to function as contributing members of society. Enhancing education skills, instill a desire to continue self-improvement and teach those values and life skills required to succeed on the job and within the family.

TRTP is a co-ed facility and is a sixteen-week program for 13-18 year olds. Bravo Company serves Cadets that are in the Office of Juvenile Affairs' (OJA) custody while attending. The program is primarily designed for youth classified by the Office of Juvenile Affairs as Class III property offenders. Youths that are non-violent, but have problems in the areas of respect for authority and obedience may benefit from this program. Bravo Company is a state funded program provided by the Oklahoma Military Department with an interagency agreement with the Office of Juvenile Affairs.

The TRTP Program provides a safe and healthy environment for Cadets. TRTP is licensed by the Department of Human Services, the Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, and has been accredited by the American Correctional Association.

The Education Department is responsible for the execution of the Phillip Roy Life Skills curriculum. Cadets attend Education classes 5 days per week. 13 – 18 year olds are on the PASS Objective Track to return to their community school upon completion of the program. 16 – 18 year olds have the opportunity to study and take the GED test while attending the program.

The Counseling Department provides character, moral, and emotional guidance required to assist cadets in maintaining focus on the operations and education learning processes and help ensure their ultimate effectiveness. The counseling staff is specifically trained and certified to identify inappropriate behavior patterns, remedial counseling, testing services, AA/NA groups, Character Development, Anger Management and “making the right decision” classes.

Health Services provides on-going twenty-four hour medical services for cadets, sick call and medical appointments when necessary.

