



**DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE  
AIR UNIVERSITY (AETC)**

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Colonel Bobby C. Woods, Jr.  
Director, HQ Air Force JROTC  
60 West Maxwell Boulevard  
Maxwell AFB AL 36112-6501

Mr. Michael Convery  
Superintendent, Coventry Public Schools  
1675 Flat River Road  
Coventry, RI 02816

Dear Superintendent Convery

The Air Force Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (AFJROTC) unit at Coventry High School has not met established enrollment standards for the 10<sup>th</sup> consecutive year. Title 10, United States Code, Section 2031, and the signed agreement between the School District and the Air Force require schools to maintain a cadet enrollment of 100 or 10 percent of the school's population, whichever is less. Your unit's October, 2015 Program Status Report shows there are only 74 students enrolled in AFJROTC.

Probationary notification was provided to this school several times over the years on this same subject, culminating in a deactivation letter in October 2013. At the written request of the district, RI-081 was approved to convert to a National Defense Cadet Corps unit beginning in 2014, as a final effort to save the program. This conversion contained a specific and mutually agreed upon provision that if minimum enrollment was not achieved by 10 October 2015 the program would be deactivated. Per this mutual agreement and the resulting failure of the unit to achieve minimum statutory enrollment, Coventry High School's AFJROTC program will be deactivated effective 30 June 2016.

I ask for your support to ensure Colonel (Retired) Buteau is given time to complete all necessary deactivation tasks no later than 10 working days prior to the expiration of his teaching contract with the school. It is very important all Air Force equipment, supplies, uniforms and textbooks be properly accounted for and transferred to either the headquarters or another AFJROTC unit.

We certainly appreciate your partnership over the years and trust the positive impact of your program will be felt in the lives of your previous cadets for years to come. If you have questions or concerns please contact Mr. David Richerson at [HQ-RD2@AFJROTC.COM](mailto:HQ-RD2@AFJROTC.COM).

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bobby C. Woods, Jr.", written in a cursive style.

BOBBY C. WOODS, JR., Colonel, USAF

cc:

Mr. Michael Hobin, Principal  
Colonel (Retired) Steven Buteau, SASI, RI-081