



## 330 Danforth Tech Squadron Royal Canadian Air Cadets

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Parent(s)/Guardian(s) of 330 Squadron Cadets,

I hope you all had an excellent holiday season with your friends and family and that you're excited to begin 2015 with 330 Squadron (sqn). I'd like to take this opportunity to highlight a few items that will ensure a positive time in our program throughout your child's development:

1. **Stay Informed:** We're a busy unit with a lot on the go. Our primary method of communication is our squadron **Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/330aircadets](http://www.facebook.com/330aircadets)**. There, you'll find important announcements, event information, photos/videos, and so much more. The private messaging system on this page is also an alternative to communicating with a staff member. We encourage you to like this page so you won't miss out on important information. You can also stay informed through our **parent email group** coordinated by our sponsoring committee. Simply email **[330ssc@gmail.com](mailto:330ssc@gmail.com)** and you'll be immediately added. Lastly, our **website at [www.330aircadets.com](http://www.330aircadets.com)**, also contains a variety of information including weekly announcements and our online calendar. Staying informed will ensure your child is able to fully benefit from the variety of stimulating activities we offer at 330 sqn.
2. **Attendance/Activity Sign Ups:** In order to ensure your child benefits to the full extent of our program, it is important that he/she maintains a *decent* attendance record during weekly parade nights and extracurricular activities. We certainly understand that many of our members pursue other forms of extracurricular activities in addition to their cadet training and have high academic demands as well; we don't expect them to neglect these areas either. However, we encourage you to meet with your child's level officer to explore methods to effectively manage all of their academic and/or personal commitments should they be experiencing difficulty. Unfortunately, due to the demands of our program, should a cadet's attendance record severely drop without valid notice, this would jeopardize their membership with our sqn. Additionally, if your child signs up for an extracurricular activity, there is an expectation that they actually be in attendance. By placing his/her name on a sign up list, this is securing their spot on a bus, a meal, an entrance fee,

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insurance, etc. By signing up and not showing up, without advanced notice, the sqn is now forced to deal with a financial loss; and substitute cadets miss out on the opportunity as well. Unfortunately we've encountered this multiple times, but we know after discussing this with your child, these minor setbacks will be ameliorated.

3. **Uniform Standards:** Being a part of the Royal Canadian Air Cadet program provides our members the opportunity to wear a prestigious, honoured, and well recognized uniform. With this, comes the expectation that cadets will maintain a professional image, in accordance with our dress standards, to ensure members of the public continue to hold our cadets in high regard. At the very least, cadets are expected to have a well-pressed uniform, glossy boots, and hair and/or facial hair to standard. In accordance with our dress and discipline standards, and due to limited availability of uniforms, cadets that consistently fail to meet these standards may be asked to turn in their uniform. Videos and electronic print material is available at [www.3330aircadets.com/resources](http://www.3330aircadets.com/resources) in order to aid your child in maintaining their standard of dress. Your assistance will certainly be appreciated.
4. **Recruiting:** We're well on our way to achieving our **goal of having 100 cadets on our parade square by the end of May 2015**, but we need your help during this final push. We have a variety of recruiting material available to help communicate our program to the public, but word of mouth is certainly our best option. We encourage you to share our online posts, posters, flyers, brochures, etc. with our friends, at your workplaces/community groups, and anywhere you deem appropriate. We know that with your assistance in helping spread the word about our program, we'll be sure to surpass our goal. Speak to a member of our staff should you require any print material to display in various areas.

As always, thank you for your continued support of our squadron and the development of our cadets. With your assistance, we'll be sure to make a positive impact on the lives of our youth and ultimately help create a better Canada!

Sincerely,



Jonathan John  
Captain  
Commanding Officer