

Getting Started With Your Uniform

Blues Uniform

Link or Item

The squadron should provide you with the following:

<i>Blues Shirt</i>	<i>Male: CAP1001A</i>	<i>Female: CAP1017</i>
<i>Trousers</i>	<i>Male: CAP0993K</i>	<i>Female: CAP3500A</i>
<i>Belt & Buckle</i>		2500500
<i>Insignia</i>		Link
<i>Ribbons</i>		Link
<i>Ribbon Racks</i>		Link

You will most likely NOT be provided with the following:

<i>Dress Shoes (Must be Black, Leather, & Polishable. No crease on the shoe.)</i>		
<i>Shirt Garters</i>		2650470
<i>Blues Cover</i>	<i>Male: CAP0994K</i>	<i>Female: CAP0994</i>
<i>Civil Air Patrol Cadet Name Plate</i>		CAP0599M
<i>CAP Cover Device</i>		CAP0748A
<i>Black Dress Socks</i>		
<i>White V-Neck Shirt</i>		

You can purchase any needed items from Vanguard and use the item number next to each item or press on the link. Or you can purchase items at a military surplus store.

Dress shoes are recommended to be purchase somewhere other than Vanguard. You can buy them at a military surplus store, online, or even at common stores like Target or Walmart.

If you have any questions about uniform items, please contact your flight staff or element leader.

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BDU Uniform

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The squadron should provide you with the following:

<i>BDU Blouse</i>	1001506
<i>Trousers</i>	1001524
<i>Squadron Cover</i>	
<i>Insignia</i>	Link
<i>Patches (Reverse American Flag, Sq. 20 Patch, CAWG Patch)</i>	Link

You will most likely NOT be provided with the following:

<i>Boots (Must be Black, Leather, & Polishable.)</i>	
<i>Blousing Bands</i>	2650175
<i>Black Belt & Buckle</i>	<i>(Can be found cheapest at Military Surplus Store)</i>
<i>Black Boot Socks</i>	
<i>Black Crew Neck T-Shirts</i>	

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Common Places to Buy Uniform Items

www.vanguardmil.com

www.militaryboots.com

[M & I Surplus](#) - Pomona

Big 5 Sporting Goods

Big Johns Surplus - Riverside



The next three pages show the correct way to wear each uniform. Look over these pages and refer to them if you have questions about how to wear your uniform and where things go.

CADETS BATTLE DRESS UNIFORM

MALES AND FEMALES WEAR THE UNIFORM IN THE SAME MANNER. FOR DETAILS ABOUT UNIFORMS, USE THE UNIFORM MANUAL (CAPM 39-1).



CAP Insignia

Cadets without grade wear device on both collars, 1" from bottom edge.



Grade Insignia

Cadet enlisted members wear metal chevrons centered on collar, 1" from bottom edge.



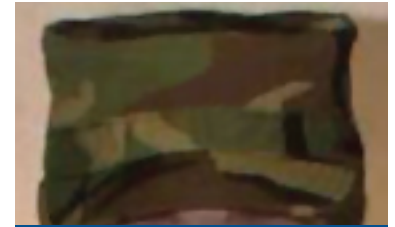
Name Tag

Centered on right breast, resting on, but not over, top edge of pocket.



CAP Tape

Centered on left breast, resting on, but not over, top edge of pocket.



Hat Insignia

Cadet enlisted members and cadets without grade do not wear any device on the BDU hat. Hat will not be rolled or crushed.



American Flag

Reverse American Flag is worn on right shoulder, 1/2" below sleeve seam, centered.



Sleeves

When up, sleeve material must touch or come within 1" of forearm when bent at 90-degree angle.



Pants

Pants must be bloused over combat boots.

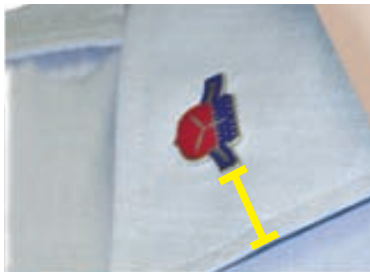
CADET MALE UNIFORM

VARIATIONS ARE NOT SHOWN. FOR DETAILS ABOUT UNIFORMS, USE THE UNIFORM MANUAL (CAPM 39-1).



CAP Insignia

Cadets without grade wear centered 1" from edge on both collars.



Grade Insignia

Cadet enlisted members wear metal chevrons centered on collar 1" from edge.



Name Tag

Blue 3-line centered on right breast, resting on but not over, top edge of pocket.



Badges and Ribbons

Specialty badges are worn centered below left pocket flap; aviation badges and specialty insignia are worn 1/2" above ribbons or pocket; ribbons are worn 3 or 4 across, resting on, but not over pocket.



Flight Cap/Hat Device

Cadets wear flight cap with solid blue braid and cadet flight cap device centered on left side 1 1/2" from edge.



Belt Buckle

Silver tip of belt extends to the wearer's left; no blue fabric should show.



Pants

Front of pant leg should rest on front of shoe; slight break in crease, 7/8" longer on back side; do not blouse.

TEN TIPS FOR LOOKING SHARP IN UNIFORM

1. Keep track of your insignia. Store it in a special place at home.
2. Prepare your uniform the night before you wear it.
3. Trim loose strings from buttonholes, pockets, and belt loops.
4. Use spray starch when ironing (check the manufacturer's tag first).
5. Obtain "enforcers" or place cardboard behind your ribbons.
6. Look at yourself in a full-length mirror to check your appearance.
7. Keep a small handkerchief with you for dusting your shoes and brass.
8. Check your gig-line whenever you exit a car or visit the restroom.
9. Avoid leaning against anything while in uniform.
10. Ask your buddy to tell you if they notice anything incorrect about your uniform.

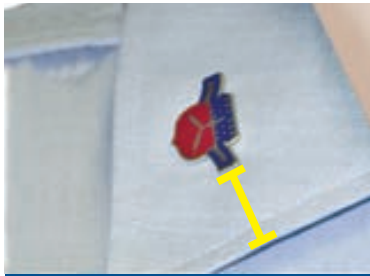
CADET FEMALE UNIFORM

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CAP Insignia

Cadets without grade wear centered 1" from edge on both collars.



Grade Insignia

Cadet enlisted members wear metal chevrons centered on collar 1" from edge.



Name Tag

Blue 3-line centered on right breast even with or up to 1 1/2" higher or lower than first exposed button, parallel to ground and even with bottom row of ribbons.



Badges and Ribbons

Aviation badges, specialty insignia and specialty badges are worn 1/2" above the ribbons. Ribbons are worn centered on left side, parallel to ground. Align bottom row of ribbons with name tag.



Flight Cap/Hat Device

Cadets wear flight cap with solid blue braid and cadet flight cap device centered on left side 1 1/2" from edge.



Belt Buckle

Silver tip of belt extends to the wearer's right; no blue fabric should show.



Pants

Front of pant leg should rest on front of shoe; slight break in crease, 7/8" longer on back side; do not blouse.

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