The **Corps of Cadets** develops well-educated leaders of character who embody the values of **Honor, Integrity, Discipline** and **Selfless Service**, who are highly sought-after and prepared for the global challenges of the 21st Century.
My Priorities For The Corps of Cadets

1. Academic Excellence

2. Recruiting and Retention

3. Diversity
History of the Corps of Cadets

- The Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas opens in 1876. Established as an all-male institution and remained so until 1964, when women admitted. First Cadet Corps to admit women in 1974.

- Members of the Corps of Cadets have served in every conflict fought by the United States since the Spanish-American War in 1898.

- Over 2,000 Aggies served in World War I–54 of whom are known to have lost their lives.

- During WWII, 20,000 Cadets served in combat, over 14,000 were commissioned as officers

- Over 250 General or Flag Officers

- Seven Medal of Honor Winners

- Corps of Cadets—often called the “Keepers of the Spirit”—began many of the university’s most cherished traditions, including Midnight Yell Practice, Aggie Muster and Silver Taps.
The Corps of Cadets of Today

- The Corps remains one of the largest uniformed bodies of students in the nation. A four-year leadership development program based on a military framework of organization; membership in the Corps carries no military obligation.

- The Corps consistently commissions more officers than any other school outside of the Military Academies.

- All Cadets select a Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) and enroll in ROTC courses their freshman and sophomore years. Those who want to pursue non-military careers, whether in the private sector or in public service can enroll in the Academic Certificate in Leadership Studies Program.

- Honor, Integrity, Discipline and Selfless Service. These are the values the Corps was founded on and that continue to be coveted by today’s Cadets.
The Corps of Cadets of Today

• 87 cadets posted a 4.0 and 831 posted above a 3.0 in Fall 2011

• Leadership Development Program

• 5 Yell Leaders are members of the Corps of Cadets

• 25 of 49 students named to Who’s Who in American Colleges and Universities at Texas A&M this year are cadets

• Corps involvement in all aspects of student activities, including Student Government, Traditions Council, OPAS, MCS, SCONA and Town Hall

• Corps involvement in many community service activities, including March to the Brazos, The Big Event, Ramp Romp, Adopt a School, Ranger Run, Warrior Weekend and the Brazos Valley Food Drive
Why the Corps of Cadets?

1939 National Championship Football Team

General Earl Rudder '36
Point-Du-Hoc Commanding Officer and Former Texas A&M President

Dr. Red Duke '50
Trauma Surgeon and Well-Known Medical Television Host

John David Crowe '58
Heisman Trophy Recipient

Seven Medal of Honor Recipients

Henry Cisneros '68
Former Mayor of San Antonio and 10th Secretary of Housing and Urban Development
Why the Corps of Cadets?

The Ross Volunteers
Oldest Student Organization in Texas

During WWII, 20,000 cadets served in combat

Rick Perry ’72
47th and Longest Serving Governor of Texas

Bill Flores ’76
Congressman, U.S. House of Representatives

Greg Hall ’82
Chilean Miner Rescue “Plan B Architect”

Emmanual Guillory ’06
Legislative Assistant for Congressman Joe Barton

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The Fightin’ Texas Aggie Band, is now the largest military collegiate marching band in the United States. The band is famous for its unique style of military precision drill and is an integral part of the Corps of Cadets. Performing at all home football games and several away games, the Aggie Band is one of the most-traveled university marching bands in the nation.

Ross Volunteers, the oldest student organization in the state, is composed of junior and senior Cadets. The unit is the official honor guard for the Governor of Texas.
Parsons Mounted Cavalry, formed in 1973, is the successor to the mounted cavalry units that play a central role in A&M’s history. This is a ‘parade and show’ unit composed of junior and senior Cadets who represent the university at events across Texas.

Fish Drill Team, is a special unit composed entirely of freshman Cadets. They compete in precision drill competitions around the country and have won the national championship almost every year since they were created in 1946.
Fall 2011 Highlights

- Activated two Units, SQ-1 and F-1.
- Block for Arkansas Football Game on 1 Oct 11.

- Corps Review/Rally to the Guidons for Baylor Game on 15 Oct 11.
- Corps Block T During Half-Time of Kansas Game on 19 Nov 11.
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“The graduates of this institution are not average citizens and so you can never be content to be merely good citizens. You must be great citizens. In everything you do, you must always make sure that you live up to the highest personal and professional standards of duty, service, and honor… the values of the best traditions of our country.

~Theodore Roosevelt
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ROBERT F.
1890—1963
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