**Highlander Composite Squadron**

**Resources**

**Websites and Tool URLs:**

* **HCS COWG Main Webpage:** https://highlander.cap.gov/
  + **Contains:** Weekly Announcements and Remind Class Announcements
    - **Subpages contain:** New Cadet info, Promotions & Ribbons information, eServices access, Testing information, as well as other information
* **HCS Main Facebook Page:** <https://www.facebook.com/HighlanderCompositeSqdrn/>
  + **Contains:** Announcements, Photos, etc.
  + **Facebook Username:** Highlander Composite Squadron, Civil Air Patrol
* **Instagram Username:** highlandercomposite.cap
  + Photos of squadron meetings & activities
* **Remind Sign-UP Instructions**: <http://coloradowingcap.org/LinkClick.aspx?fileticket=0dszHy10sRM%3d&tabid=1243&portalid=0&mid=5004&forcedownload=true>
  + Class announcements for weekly meeting announcements, important information, etc.

**Where can I find Squadron Announcements?**

I will try my best to put important squadron, group, region, and national announcements out there. Saying that, I don’t want to inundate you with too much info or duplicate information unless we feel it’s important and make sure everyone received the information. So in general, if Wing or another sent out the email we will not re-send the information, so make sure you are reading those emails from COWG, Region, or National.

* **Squadron White Board**
  + Read the white board at the squadron meeting near the sign in sheet. I put upcoming dates and information on this board.
* **Facebook Page**
  + Announcements will be posted on the FB page, however this can be sometimes harder to read because announcements cannot be formatted.
* **HCS COWG Webpage:**
  + Announcements posted on the main HCS COWG Webpage. Easier to read due to formatting. I will occasionally post important emails and information to this page as well.
* **Weekly Meeting Announcement from Remind**:
  + Along with the weekly meeting announcement from Remind, generally sent on Friday or Saturday at the latest, there is an attachment with Monday’s agenda and weekly announcements.
  + NOTE: Remind Announcement can also be found on the right hand side of the HCS COWG Webpage.
* **Emails:**
  + We try to limit the amount of emails that are sent out. If it’s general squadron announcements I try to keep them just on the FB Page, HCS COWG Webpage, and as an attachment for the weekly announcements. If there is important info, new info, or action is required, I will send out an email. Occasionally if there is just a lot of info, I’ll still send an email to ensure everyone has the info from multiple places.

**When is that event or activity?**

* **Facebook Events:**
  + <https://www.facebook.com/pg/HighlanderCompositeSqdrn/events/?ref=page_internal>
  + I try to post all activities and events on FB
    - Details for events post better to FB than to the COWG Calendar.
* **HCS COWG Calendar:**
  + <http://coloradowingcap.org/FindAColoradoSquadron/Group4-GreaterDenverArea/HighlanderComposite/CalendarandEvents/tabid/1215/Default.aspx>
  + I try to post all activities and events to FB, this includes Cyber Patriots, CAC (Cadet Advisory Council) Meetings, staff meetings, etc.

**Uniforms, HELP! (Page work in progress on HCS COWG Webpage)**

* **Where do my patches and insignia go?**
  + Read Pages 7-9, “The Proper wear of Air Force-Style Cadet Uniforms”
  + <https://www.capmembers.com/media/cms/New_Cadet_Guide_Nov_14__Red_2_page_25B2E74DF0834.pdf>
* **How do I get my patches on my uniform?**
  + Go to a local tailor or find a family friend or relative to sew on the patches.
  + **Do we have any parents that are willing to volunteer their time sewing on patches when needed for free or a small charge to the cadets?**
* **I promoted, what order do my ribbons go in?**
  + On the HCS COWG Webpage, under Testing, Promotions, & Qualifications\Promotions and Ribbons and scroll down to Ribbon Rack Builder.
  + **Direct Cadet URL:** <http://www.mcchord.org/rack_builder/check_cdt.html>
  + **Direct Senior URL:** <http://www.mcchord.org/rack_builder/check_sr.html>
* **Where do I buy my uniform?**
  + **There are many ways to obtain uniforms…**
    - **Check with the squadron first!**
      * The squadron may have uniforms or be able to reach out to supply to see if there is a uniform that will fit.
      * **NOTE:** Uniforms provided by the squadron or supply must be returned when you leave the squadron or outgrow the uniform.
    - **Vanguard Millitary**
      * <https://www.vanguardmil.com/>
      * **Curry Voucher** 
        + You have 45 day’s after receiving your curry award to use your Curry Voucher towards buying your dress blues.
        + <https://www.capmembers.com/cadet_programs/new_cadet_help/uniforms/>
    - **Army/Navy Surplus**
      * 3524 S Broadway, Englewood, CO 80113
      * 5701 Olde Wadsworth Blvd, Arvada, CO 80002
      * Offers a discount with your CAP card.
    - **Base BX Stores and Airman’s Attic:**
      * If you know someone with access to the base they can help you obtain uniforms.
        + You can only purchase uniform items, no other items in the BX and must have your CAPID.
      * We currently are not able to obtain DBIDs cards for base access, but we hope to have access again soon.
    - **Gear Zone Tactical**
      * <http://www.gearzonetactical.com/>
    - **Glenn’s Army Surplus**
      * 114 E Mill St, Colorado Springs, CO 80903
      * 719-634-9828
        + Recommend calling before going down, they have a large warehouse off property and may be able to get a size you need that isn’t in store.
      * <https://store.glennsarmysurplus.com/all-products-call.aspx>
    - **Old Colorado City Surplus**
      * 2732 W Colorado Ave, Colorado Springs, CO 80904
      * 719-634-1264
    - **Patriot Outfitters**
      * 6558 S Academy Blvd, Colorado Springs, CO 80906
      * 719-576-0505
      * <http://www.patriotoutfitters.com/>
    - **eBay**