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The Poplar Bluff High School JROTC has been accredited as an Honor Unit with Distinction for scoring a near flawless 98.5 percent on a recent program evaluation.

As a result of receiving the most sought-after unit award, cadets of the Pvt. Billie G. Kanell Battalion have earned the privilege of wearing the Gold HUD Star badge on their uniforms. The inspection takes place every three years, according to Gregory Crites, PBHS senior Army instructor.

“It’s not just another shiny thing,” Maj. Crites stated. “They work hard to be ready for the evaluation and if they’re able to show improvement, they are rewarded on behalf of the district. The challenge now is to maintain that, and they will.”

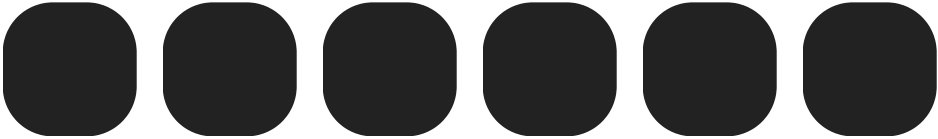
U.S. Army Cadet Command representatives from out of the Reserve Officers’ Training Corps brigade headquarters in Naval Station Great Lakes visited PBHS on Wednesday, Jan. 15, to receive a briefing about the students’ improvement plan, service learning project and program curriculum, plus conducted a drill and color guard evaluation.

Photo: The result of a successful three-year inspection, cadets will now don the Gold HUD Star badge displayed beneath the Poplar Bluff JROTC logo on their uniform.

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