

## 147 Airwolf Air Cadets Parent Society

## Squadron Sponsoring Committee

Dear Parents,

The Squadron Sponsoring Committee (SSC) would like to welcome you to the 147 Airwolf Family. Your child has chosen to join one of the finest youth organizations in Canada, with a proud history dating back to 1940. The Air Cadet Program aims to develop in youth the attributes of good citizenship and leadership, promote physical fitness, and promote interest in aviation. It is not only beneficial to our young people; it also enhances our community and country. Did you know that Chris Hadfield, Marc Garneau and Jermey Hanson, as well as Olympic biathlete Jean-Philippe Le Guellec, were once cadets?

147 Airwolf Squadron can offer a wide variety of activities in an enjoyable, positive and safe environment not only because of our dedicated Officers and staff but also primarily because of our amazing volunteers. The SSC is volunteer-based, and its role is to partner with the Officers and staff to support and supplement the squadron's training program and activities. There is no cost for the mandatory training as prescribed by the Department of National Defence (DND). However, other cadet activities such as Familiarization Power Flying, Band, Drill Team, Range Team, Biathlon, First-Aid Team, Effective Speaking, and special events such as the Annual Ceremonial Review, Christmas and Yearend parties, require additional funding through fundraising and donations. Other operating expenses not funded by DND include administrative costs, Armoury expenses, insurance, trophies, awards, ageing out gifts, training equipment, and name tags. The success of our fundraising goals plays a vital role in how we can implement the best program for our Cadets and operate the organization.

The SSC needs your help, and we encourage all parents to find some way, even if just a little bit, to become involved with the Squadron this training year. It's a great way to connect with other cadet families and our community while leaving a lasting positive impact on your child's Cadet experience.

If you would like to contribute your talents, skills, or time please indicate your volunteer preferences when you complete the Registration Package or visit our <u>website</u> for a <u>Volunteer Screening Package</u>. Lastly, please feel free to contact us at <u>147airwolfssc@gmail.com</u> if you have any questions or would like more information. We are always happy to help!

We look forward to seeing our families again and meeting new ones soon.

Sincerely,
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