**Raising an Organization of Trained Educators (ROTE) Application**

***Fall 2017***

DUE TO ROTE.JMU@GMAIL.COM BY Friday, April 7th by 5:00 pm

For more information about ROTE, visit our website at [http://rotejmu.weebly.com](http://rotejmu.weebly.com/).

**What is ROTE?**

ROTE stands for Raising an Organization of Trained Educators. ROTE is an organization of JMU students created to give JMU Education students a hands-on experience in the classroom. We aim to help students gain a comprehensive look into how a school comes together to create a positive, effective learning environment for students, parents, and faculty. ROTE members are actively involved and engaged in different aspects of a school. Currently, ROTE members are placed at Smithland Elementary School and Skyline Middle School. Members are involved in after-school programs at both schools. We are looking for members to participate in this program throughout their entire JMU experience, so our preference will be for Freshmen and Sophomore applicants because they will be able to spend more time in the program.

**What is expected of you as a ROTE Member?**

1. Willing to devote at least a year to the program (2 semesters).

-The program is meant to be one in which you will grow with the program throughout your time at JMU.

1. Required to devote approximately two hours a week at either Smithland Elementary School or Skyline Middle School.
2. Required to attend class times, when held.
3. Willing to devote time to attending three school programs or events throughout the semester.
4. Must have a 3.0 GPA or better.

**What you will gain from the program:**

1. Professional development skills
2. Class credit (1 credit)
3. Better understanding of how a school functions (PTO, students, teachers, parents, the Harrisonburg community) - Being a teacher involves more than lesson planning. ROTE members learn about and experience school culture and lessons beyond the classroom via PTO meetings and events, in addition to faculty meetings.
4. Great experiences with driven and hard-working JMU peers.
5. Meet and network with some of Harrisonburg’s best teachers and school faculty.

**Application on the following page!**

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***Please fully complete the application ELECTRONICALLY and send the form to rote.jmu@gmail.com***

**Name**:

**Email Address**:

**Current Year at JMU:**

**Cumulative GPA:**

**Major and Education Program**:

**Additional Minors and Concentration if applicable**:

**Where do you live this Fall 2017? *(Highlight and Underline)***: On campus Off campus

**Will you have a car Fall 2017? (*Highlight* *and Underline*)**: Yes No

**Answer each of the following questions in a couple sentences to a paragraph.**

**1. Why do you want to be a member of ROTE?**

**2. As a future teacher, what are the benefits and challenges you anticipate?**

**3. What makes a good teacher? What makes you want to be a teacher?**

**LIST any other organizations or programs you are involved in at JMU or any other time commitments (i.e. Student Ambassadors, Relay for Life, Greek Life, club sport, work).**

**LIST the times you are available for a 20 minute interview. Interviews will be held between April 10th and April 13th.**

**Mondays**:

**Tuesdays**:

**Wednesdays**:

**Thursdays**: