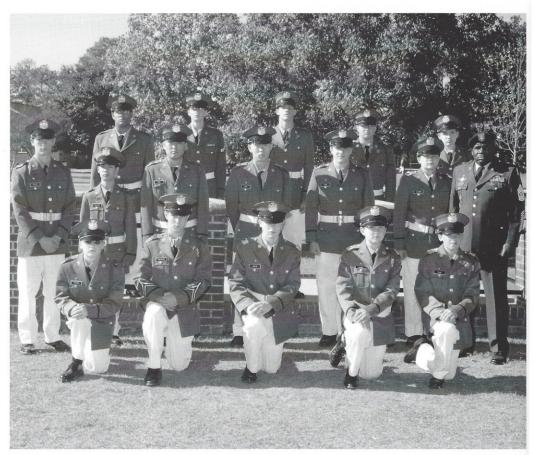


## The Military Tradition

The South Carolina State Legislature has designated Camden Military Academy the Military Academy of South Carolina. The state has a long military tradition extending back to colonial days when it was divided into military districts headed by captains. Colonels commanded regions of the state. The military organization was not a vain show but a necessity for defense against hostile Indians and Spanish incuursions from Florida. Although some Indian tribes were independent, most were allied with the English, Spanish, or French. These allegiances could often mean trouble for early South Carolina settlers. At one time Spanish incursions got so frequent that the Colony of South Carolina, using militia and friendly Indians, invaded Florida and defeated the Spanish, discouraging future incursions. Military training and education have been important in the state since its very beginning. Continuing that proud tradition, Camden Military Academy has established itself as the leading secondary military school in the United States. Our reputation attracts students from all over the nation and many parts of the world. For over forty years our JROTC Unit has been rated an "Honor Unit with Distinction" by the United States Army. We graduate young men prepared to succeed in a highly competitive environment. Our alumni are leaders in every stratum of society. Military education is a an important complement to the classroom, instilling discipline, order, teamwork, and self-respect. It completes the molding of the whole man.



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