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Subject: Re: Soldiers disrespect towards cadets.

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I think the point he's trying to make is that you haven't put your life on the line, so while you may have actually "earned" some awards for being dedicated to the JROTC, they still don't mean anything in terms of real honor. You have to earn that in boot camp and in combat.

The retired vets probably don't think those awards are absolutely worthless, as they do serve a purpose. You should be proud of what you've earned in the JROTC compared to most teens that just waste their life, but they certainly mean nothing when compared to what you're asked to do in the military.

Yes, the marine was an asshole, but he does have merit to be one. I think may have been wrong to attack someone who isn't in the military, but with how you're defending your dissent towards him, perhaps he saw something in you that you don't... an undeserved arrogance.

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