Reaction Paper

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What is NSTP? NSTP is also known as National Service Training Program. It is supported by Republic Act No. 9163, this law intended for tertiary students in response to the public request for reforms in the Reserve Officer’s Training Corps (ROTC) program.

NSTP has three components, ROTC, LTS, and CWTS. ROTC or the Reserve Officers’ Training Corps is a program designed to provide military training to tertiary level students in order to motivate, train, organize and mobile them for national defense preparedness. The second component called LTS or Literacy Training Service is a program designed to train students to become teachers of literacy and numeracy skills to the youth. Lastly, Civil Welfare Training Service (CWTS), is a program dedicated to the activities that contributes to the general welfare and betterment of life for the members of the community or the enhancement of the facilities and improvement of health, education, entertainment, safety, entrepreneurship, reaction and morals of the citizenry. NSTP has several laws that supports it as it’s legal basis. The legal bases are made of The Philippine Constitution, Commonwealth Act No. 1 (National Defense Act), Presidential Decree No. 1706 (National Service Law), Republic Act No. 7077 (The Citizen Armed Forces of the Philippine Reservist Law), and Republic Act No. 9163 (NSTP Act 2001). I learned many things about NSTP especially because of the video presented in the orientation. I grasped the brief outline of each component of NSTP. I am expecting a very positive result for taking one of the components in NSTP. Regarding a student’s lifestyle, I suppose NSTP will be a huge changing factor.

As a conclusion of my reaction paper regarding NSTP and its three components, I think it is a huge turning point for a student’s lifestyle and general knowledge since it focuses on military training, literacy training/service, and civil welfare training. The legal bases for NSTP are also well done since there are laws mandated for the course program itself.