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For Immediate Release:

ROTC PANTHER BATTALION HONORS LOCAL CADET FOR ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE

CHARLESTON – The Eastern Illinois University ROTC Panther Battalion recently honored several of its cadets for academic achievement during the Fall 2001 semester.

Among those was Ryan E. Purdy, son of Nancy Purdy of Mattoon and Gene Purdy of Robinson.

Purdy, a 1999 graduate of Mattoon High School, received an ROTC Cadet Honors Award for achieving an academic grade point average of between 3.2 and 3.49 (on a 4.0 scale). He is a sophomore majoring in psychology.