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September 30, 2015

Dear Mentors,

Welcome to the Residential Phase of Class 2016-1, which formally begins Wednesday, September 30, 2015. We also want to thank you for committing the time to partner with AMYA and "help intervene and reclaim the lives" of young Alaskans. The attachments contain a lists of events which your Cadet may participate in, so we are providing as much current information as possible to assist you with planning your time and travel. If you have any further questions, please contact the staff members listed below:

Parent /Family Concerns: Contact any Platoon Leader (PL) at the Team Leader Center (TLC) 907-428-7325.

Cadre Section:

Commandant: Ms. Edwards	Christine.Edwards@alaska.gov	907-428-7320
Alpha Company Leader for 1st and 2nd Platoons: PL Fuentes		907-428-7322
Bravo Company Leader for 3rd and 4th Platoons: Acting PL Andrews		907-428-7324
Training Coordination will be with Cadre Supervisor PL Fulsang		907-428-7323

Medical Questions: Supervisor Mark Doughty or Nurse Linda Bonner-More 907-428-7364

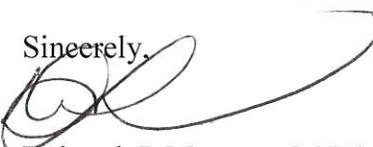
Educational Concerns: Mr. Scott Monroe, Lead Instructor/Principal 907-428-7308

After normal business hours: Team Leader Center 907-428-7325

Mentoring Concerns: Please contact your Cadet's Platoon Recruiting, Placement, and Mentoring Coordinator:

1 st Platoon- Camai Cassey	Camai.Cassey@alaska.gov	907-428-7343
2 nd Platoon- Hans Klodt	Hans.Klodt@alaska.gov	907-428-7342
3 rd /4 th Platoons- Rick Gamble	Richard.Gamble@alaska.gov	907-428-7339
Placement Coordinator- Jake Farber		907-428-7340

Sincerely,


Deborah L Morton, M.Ed.
Supervisor
Recruiting, Placement, and Mentoring (RPM) Section



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Mentor Reference Sheet-ChalleNGe Class 2016-1

Mail

Send letters of encouragement often. **Packages are not allowed unless pre-authorized by the Platoon Leader and may only contain items on the initial packing list.**

Send U.S. Mail to:

Cadet (first & last name), Platoon #

AMYA

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You may also send letters via email to cadetmail@alaska.gov. The cadetmail system is for immediate family and mentor use **only**. All other individuals wishing to send letters of support must use traditional snail mail. Please address the subject line as follows: Cadet (Last Name, First Name), Platoon #. Emails will be printed by the RPM staff and given to Cadets, but cadets **will not have access to computers to email you back**. This is simply an alternative means of communicating with your cadet that we've found to be successful.

Updates:

To access updated information regarding Academy events and possible changes or cancellations, visit our Facebook page, "Alaska Military Youth Academy ~AMYA". Please email your Cadet's Mentor Coordinator to ensure we have a valid email address for you to receive email updates.

Mentor Trainings

All Mentors are required to attend one of the Mentor trainings provided by the AMYA RPM Coordinators. Trainings will be held at the Muldoon AMYA Recruiting Office, 1251 Muldoon, Space #114. Please let your Cadet's Platoon RPM Coordinator know which training you are planning to attend. The training dates for class 2016-1 are listed below:

Anchorage/MatSu Area Mentor Trainings:

The scheduled dates for mentor trainings are below:

1st Platoon Mentors: Saturday, October 24, 2015, from 9am-11am

2nd Platoon Mentors: Saturday, October 31, 2015, from 9am-11am

3rd Platoon Mentors: Saturday, November 7, 2015, from 9am-11am

4th Platoon Mentors: Saturday, November 14, 2015, from 9am-11am



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*****Mentor training is mandatory; please RSVP to Mr. Klodt, Ms. Cassey or Mr. Gamble at their respective phone numbers listed on the first page of this packet. Mentors out of the Anchorage/MatSu areas are not expected to travel to Anchorage for the mentor training. Your mentor coordinators will contact you to discuss the training options*****

Mentor Co-Training and Matching Event:

Each platoon will have a scheduled mentor co-training (dates listed below). We ask that each mentor bring a sack lunch for themselves. Trainings will be held at the Muldoon AMYA Recruiting Office, 1251 Muldoon, Space #114. These events are for the purpose of team-building between the mentors and the cadets only. This training does not replace the required mentor training, but is a supplement to it and is highly recommended. This is an opportunity for you and your cadet to be involved in a training together designed to help develop and/or strengthen the mentor/mentee relationship. Mentors will also receive their Mentor pin during this training.

Please let your Cadet's Platoon RPM Coordinator know that you plan to attend this co-training.

1st Platoon: Saturday, October 24, 2015, from 11am- 1pm

2nd Platoon: Saturday, October 31, 2015, from 11am- 1pm

3rd Platoon: Saturday, November 7, 2015, from 11am- 1pm

4th Platoon: Saturday, November 14, 2015, from 11am-1pm

Mentor Evening Visitation

Beginning Monday, October 19, 2015, Mentors are encouraged to visit their Cadets once weekly on campus between the hours of 6:30 pm-7:30 pm, Sun/Mon/Tue/Wed or Thursday in the Sheldon Hall Dining Facility. Please note that the final date for mentor visitation is Thursday, February 18, 2015. If you need to schedule a visitation at a different time/date, please contact your Cadet's Mentor Coordinator for coordination and approval. Mentors outside of the Anchorage/MatSu areas are not required to attend weekly visitations. Coordinators will work with you and your cadet to set up bi-weekly phone calls, when schedules allow.

Off-Campus Mentor Passes

There will be one scheduled Mentor Pass during the cycle. Mentors may sign out their Cadets from Sheldon Hall Dining Facility on the dates listed below. Cadets must remain ***in uniform and in the presence of the mentor at all times*** while on pass. All pass rules will be provided on the sign out pass form provided when picking up your cadet. The times for the pass are 10am-4pm. There is no makeup dates or times for these passes. If the mentor is unable to take the cadet on this pass, the cadet will remain on campus and participate in scheduled activities. If a cadet is on hardcore during the time of the pass, they will not be able to leave campus for the



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pass; however, the mentor will be allowed to visit the cadet during the scheduled time for the pass.

1st Platoon

Saturday, January 9, 2016

2nd and 3rd Platoons

Saturday, January 16, 2016

4th Platoon

Saturday, January 23, 2016

Academic Section Information

Reminder: It is the responsibility of the prospective Cadet and their family to ensure that AMYA has an updated transcript. It should note the credits achieved to date. Additionally, prospective Cadets and family should retain copies of these documents and understand the graduation requirements for the State of Alaska, as well as what the transcript reflects in relation to the graduation requirements. For your information, please note the information below on possible secondary school credits offered by the Academy for successful completion of classes.

Mathematics: 1.0 credit

Science: 1.0 credit

Social Studies: 1.0 credit

English: 1.0 credit

Integrated Studies (course emphasis, credit recovery, remedial training, testing, & supplemental curriculum)

Physical Fitness: 1.0 credit

Wilderness Training: 0.5 credit

Life Coping: 1.0 credit

Industrial Arts: 0.5 credit

*Additional credits may differ depending on "Integrated Studies" and/or "Alaska Studies" during credit recovery, or additional offerings



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Family Visitations/Holiday Passes:

Family visitations will be off campus as scheduled below. Cadets that cannot go home for the Thanksgiving pass or have family that can come to Anchorage, will remain on campus with staff. Parents are required to coordinate travel arrangements Ms. Edwards, AMYA Commandant, at 907-428-7320 or via email at Christine.Edwards@alaska.gov. Transportation and associated costs is the responsibility of the parents/guardians.

Thanksgiving Pass- 11/25-11/27: Pick up will be at 9am on 11/25/2015. Cadets must be returned by 1pm on 11/27/2015. Pick up and Drop off will be at the AMYA Muldoon Recruiting office location (1251 Muldoon Rd., Space 114).

Christmas Pass: 12/24-12/27: Pick up will be at 9am on 12/24/2015. Cadets must be returned by 1pm on 12/27/2015. Pick up and Drop off will be at the AMYA Muldoon Recruiting office location (1251 Muldoon Rd., Space 114).

Final Drill and Ceremony Competition and Visitation:

Saturday, February 13, 2016, time and location TBD. This competition and visitation is for immediate family (parents/guardians, grandparents, and siblings) and mentors only.

Residential Transition Briefing for Parents, Guardians and Mentors:

An end-of-class out-brief will be held Thursday, February 25, 2016, in two separate sessions - 6:00pm – 6:45pm and 7:00 pm – 7:45 pm, at the Muldoon AMYA Recruiting office space.

CLASS 2016-1 GRADUATION: Friday, February 26, 2015, beginning at 10 am. Location TBD

RPM Coordinators

Mentor Coordinators:

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