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Dear Mentors,

Welcome to the Residential Phase of Class 2016-2, which formally begins Wednesday, March 30, 2016. 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
Platoon Leader for 1 st Platoon:	PL Fuentes	907-428-7322
Platoon Leader for 2 nd Platoon:	Acting PL Dominey	907-428-7323
Platoon Leader for 3 rd Platoon:	PL Andrews	907-428-7324

Medical Questions: Supervisor Mark Doughty or Nurse Linda Bonner-More 907-428-7354

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:

Mentor Coordinator- Deb Morton	Deborah.Morton@alaska.gov	907-428-7337
Placement Coordinator- Jake Farber	Jake.Farber@alaska.gov	907-428-7340

Sincerely,

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



Mentor Reference Sheet-ChalleNGe Class 2016-2

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
P.O. Box 5727
JBER, Alaska 99505-0727

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 have 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 also email your Cadet's Mentor Coordinator to ensure we have a valid email address for you to receive weekly 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 Mentor Coordinator know which training you are planning to attend. *****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 training is mandatory; please RSVP to Mrs. Morton at 907-428-7337.



Anchorage/MatSu Area Mentor Trainings

The scheduled dates for mentor trainings are below:

1st Platoon Mentors: Saturday, April 30, 2016, from 9am-11am

2nd Platoon Mentors: Saturday, May 7, 2016, from 9am-11am

3rd Platoon Mentors: Saturday, May 14, 2016, from 9am-11am

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.

***Mentors outside the Anchorage/MatSu area are not required to attend an in-person training. Your Cadet's Mentor Coordinator will work with you to fulfill the required training.

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

1st Platoon: Saturday, April 30, 2016, from 12pm- 2pm

2nd Platoon: Saturday, May 7, 2016, from 12pm- 2pm

3rd Platoon: Saturday, May 14, 2016, from 12pm- 2pm

Mentor Evening Visitation

Beginning Monday, April 18, 2016, 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 Shelden Hall Dining Facility. Please note that the final date for mentor visitation is Thursday, August 18, 2016. 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 pass; however, the mentor will be allowed to visit the cadet during the scheduled time for the pass.

1st Platoon

Saturday, July 9, 2016

2nd Platoon

Saturday, July 16, 2016

3rd Platoon

Saturday, July 23, 2016

Academic Section Information

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

Family Visitations

Family visitations will be off campus, location TBD, as scheduled below. Cadets will not be flying out of the Anchorage area for these dates. Students that do not have family that can come to Anchorage, will remain on campus with staff. Further information will be provided at a later date.

1st Visitation- Mother’s Day: Sunday 05/08: 5 hour local visit (11am- 4pm)

2nd visitation- Father’s Day: Sunday 06/19: 5 hour local visit (11am- 4pm)

3rd Visitation- 08/13: Immediately after 3rd Drill & Ceremony Competition (see details below)

Summer Pass: July 4th beginning at 1pm- July 7th ending at 1pm

Summer Pass will be off campus as scheduled below. Cadets that cannot go home for the pass nor 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.

Pick up will be at 1pm on 07/04/2016. Cadets must be returned by 1pm on 07/07/2016. 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, August 13, 2016, with the ceremony beginning at 12pm with family visitation immediately after until 330pm. The location is 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, August 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 2016-2 GRADUATION: Friday, August 26, 2016, beginning at 10 am. Location TBD

RPM Coordinators

Mentor Coordinator- Deb Morton Deborah.Morton@alaska.gov

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Placement Coordinator- Jake Farber Jake.Farber@alaska.gov

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