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September 28, 2016

Dear Mentors,

Welcome to the Residential Phase of Class 2017-1, which formally begins Wednesday, September 28, 2016. We 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 list 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: Deputy Director	James Jones	907-428-7306
Platoon Leader for 1 <sup>st</sup> Platoon:	PL Fuentes	907-428-7322
Platoon Leader for 2 <sup>nd</sup> Platoon:	PL Forcia	907-428-7323
Platoon Leader for 3 <sup>rd</sup> Platoon:	PL Andrews	907-428-7324

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

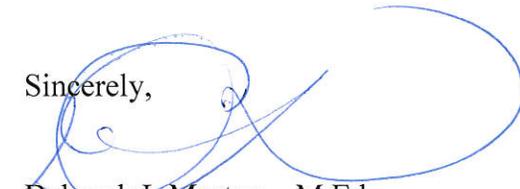
**Educational Concerns:** Mr. Scott Monroe, Lead Instructor/Principal 907-428-7308

**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	<a href="mailto:Deborah.Morton@alaska.gov">Deborah.Morton@alaska.gov</a>	907-428-7337
Placement Coordinator- Jake Farber	<a href="mailto:Jake.Farber@alaska.gov">Jake.Farber@alaska.gov</a>	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 2017-1**

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### **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  
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You may also send letters via email to [AmyaMentors@Alaska.Gov](mailto:AmyaMentors@Alaska.Gov). The mentor mail system is for 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 Mrs. Morton 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 send questions to and/or RSVP to Mrs. Morton at 907-428-7337.

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**Anchorage/MatSu Area Mentor Trainings**

The scheduled dates for mentor trainings are below:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Platoon Mentors: Saturday, October 15 2016, from 9am-11am
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Platoon Mentors: Saturday, October 22, 2016, from 9am-11am
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Platoon Mentors: Saturday, October 29, 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 their lunch or there are a few fast food places nearby. 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 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.

- 1<sup>st</sup> Platoon: Saturday, October 15, 2016, from 1130 am- 1pm
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Platoon: Saturday, October 22, 2016, from 1130 am- 1pm
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Platoon: Saturday, October 29, 2016, from 1130 am- 1pm

**Mentor Visitation**

Due to changes in base access regulations, mentor visitations will be held by platoon on a specific scheduled Sunday afternoon at the Muldoon AMYA Recruiting Office, from 1pm-3pm. Please see the schedule below. Mentors outside of the Anchorage/MatSu areas are not required to attend mentor visitations, though if affordable and geographically feasible, the Cadets greatly appreciate their mentors visiting.

<u>Platoon 1</u>	<u>Platoon 2</u>	<u>Platoon 3</u>
10/23	10/30	11/6
11/20	12/4	12/11
1/1	1/8	1/15
1/29	2/5	2/12

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### Off-Campus Mentor Passes

There will be one scheduled Mentor Pass during the cycle per platoon. Mentors may sign out their Cadets on the dates scheduled by platoon 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 during mentor training and again on the sign out pass form provided when picking up your cadet. The times for the pass are 10am-4pm. There is no makeup date or time 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. Mentors outside the Anchorage/MatSu area are not required to take their cadet on this pass. Please note, if a cadet is on hardcore during the time of the pass, they will not be able to leave campus for the pass. Please call the Platoon Leader prior to going out to pick up your cadet.

Pick up will be at 10am at the AMYA Muldoon Recruiting office location (1251 Muldoon Rd., Space 114). Cadets must be returned by 4pm at the JBER/Arctic Valley-Ft. Richardson gate.

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Platoon

Saturday, January 14, 2017

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Platoon

Saturday, January 21, 2017

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> Platoon

Saturday, January 28, 2017

### 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 course title and credits earned 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 (includes: Keyboarding, EverFi Radius S.T.E.M. Program curriculum and P.L.A.T.O. credit recovery as assigned) .5

Physical Fitness: 1.0 credit

Wilderness Training: 0.5 credit

Life Coping: 1.0 credit

Industrial Arts: 0.5 credit

\*Additional credits beyond .5 may be earned in Integrated Studies depending on credit recovery needs/offerings.

***Standard Credits Available: 7.5***

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### **Thanksgiving pass: Friday, November 25, 2016**

Thanksgiving pass will be off campus on Friday, November 25, 2016, from 830am- 530pm. Cadets that cannot go home for the pass or do not have family that can come to Anchorage, will remain on campus with staff. Pick up will be at 830am on 11/25/2016 at the AMYA Muldoon Recruiting office location (1251 Muldoon Rd., Space 114). Cadets must be returned by 530pm on 11/25/2016 at the JBER/Arctic Valley-Ft. Richardson gate.

### **Christmas Pass: December 23rd beginning at 10am- December 26th ending at 6pm**

Christmas pass will be off campus as scheduled below. Cadets that cannot go home for the pass or have family that can come to Anchorage, will remain on campus with staff. Parents are required to coordinate travel arrangements with their Cadets Platoon Leader via email (listed below). Transportation and associated costs is the responsibility of the parents/guardians.

Pick up will be at 10am on 12/23/2016 at the AMYA Muldoon Recruiting office location (1251 Muldoon Rd., Space 114). Cadets must be returned by 6pm on 12/26/2016 at the JBER/Arctic Valley-Ft. Richardson gate.

### **Final Drill and Ceremony Competition and Visitation**

Saturday, February 11, 2017, with the ceremony beginning at 12pm with family visitation immediately after until 4p. 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, February 23, 2017, in two separate sessions - 6:00pm – 6:45pm and 7:00 pm – 7:45 pm, at the Muldoon AMYA Recruiting office space.

### **CLASS 2017-1 GRADUATION**

Friday, February 24, 2017, beginning at 10 am. Location TBD

### **RPM Coordinators**

Mentor Coordinator Supervisor-Deb Morton	<a href="mailto:Deborah.Morton@alaska.gov">Deborah.Morton@alaska.gov</a>	907-428-7337
Placement Coordinator- Jake Farber	<a href="mailto:Jake.Farber@alaska.gov">Jake.Farber@alaska.gov</a>	907-428-7340

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