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Dear Mentors,

Welcome to the Residential Phase of Class 2019-1, which formally begins Wednesday, September 26, 2018. 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:	Timothy Andrews	907-428-7320
Platoon Leader for 1 <sup>st</sup> Platoon:	PL Austin	907-428-7324
Platoon Leader for 2 <sup>nd</sup> Platoon:	PL Fuentes	907-428-7322
Platoon Leader for 3 <sup>rd</sup> Platoon:	PL Duke	907-428-7323

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

**Educational/Section Records:** Mr. Scott Monroe, Lead Instructor/Principal 907-428-7308  
Ms. Lynn Andrews, Academic Registrar 907-428-7338  
Email: [mva.amya.registrar@alaska.gov](mailto:mva.amya.registrar@alaska.gov) Fax: 907-428-7381

**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	Tracey Barnhart	<a href="mailto:Tracey.Barnhart@alaska.gov">Tracey.Barnhart@alaska.gov</a>	907-428-7342
Mentor Supervisor:	Deb Morton	<a href="mailto:Deborah.Morton@alaska.gov">Deborah.Morton@alaska.gov</a>	907-428-7337

Sincerely,

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



## **Mentor Reference Sheet-ChalleNGe Class 2019-1**

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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  
JBER, Alaska 99505-0727

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 daily, except holidays and weekends, 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".

**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, from 9am-11am. Please let your Mentor Coordinator know which training you are planning to attend. You will only need to attend one (1) of the below trainings.

Saturday, October 27, 2018      Saturday, November 3, 2018      Saturday, November 10, 2018

\*\*\*\*\*Mentors out of the Anchorage/MatSu areas are not expected to travel to Anchorage for the mentor training. Your mentor coordinator will contact you to discuss the training options. Mentor training is mandatory; please send questions to and/or RSVP to your Mentor Coordinator as listed above.

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**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 Mentors: Saturday, November 10, 2018, from 1130am-1pm  
2<sup>nd</sup> Platoon Mentors: Saturday, October 27, 2018, from 1130am-1pm  
3<sup>rd</sup> Platoon Mentors: Saturday, November 3, 2018, from 1130am-1pm

**Mentor Visitation:** Beginning Thursday, October 25, 2018, 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 14, 2018. If you need to schedule a visitation at a different time/date, please contact your 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. Please make sure your coordinators have your current email address, as we use this method to contact mentors if events are cancelled/changed, etc.

The following dates will not have regularly scheduled mentor visitations:

November 22- Thanksgiving

December 22-30 Holiday, beginning again on Wednesday, January 2.

**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.

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Pick up will be at 10am at the AMYA Dining Facility-where normal visitations are held. Cadets must be returned by 4pm at the AMYA Dining Facility. \*\*\*Note-If a mentor has not completed their training and all of their paperwork, they are not eligible to take their cadet on pass. \*\*\*

**1st Platoon**

Saturday, January 19, 2019

**2nd Platoon**

Saturday, January 26, 2019

**3rd Platoon**

Saturday, February 2, 2019

**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: EverFi Financial Literacy, Keyboarding, Radius S.T.E.M. Program curriculum and P.L.A.T.O. credit recovery as assigned) .5 credit (for Financial Literacy)

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***

**Final Drill and Ceremony Competition and Visitation:** Saturday, February 16, 2019, 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 21, 2019, in two separate sessions - 6:00pm – 6:45pm and 7:00 pm – 7:45 pm, at the Muldoon AMYA Recruiting office space.

**CLASS 2019-1 GRADUATION:** Friday, February 22, 2019, beginning at 10 am, at the Dena'ina Center in downtown Anchorage (600 W. 7<sup>th</sup> avenue).

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