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January 20, 2021

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome and congratulations on your student completing the detailed screening process for registration into the Residential Phase of Class 2021-1. The cycle formally begins on Wednesday, January 20, 2021, however dependent upon their assigned platoon, students may arrive on Wednesday or Thursday. This letter contains a list of events your student will participate in during Residency as they earn the designation of "Cadet". We are providing as much information as possible to assist you with planning your time and travel, so please note that the dates, times, and locations may change due to events that may be outside of our control. If you have additional questions, please contact the staff members listed below:

**Parent /Family Concerns:** Contact the Team Leader Center (TLC) 907-428-7325.

**Cadre Section:**

Commandant:	Mr. Timothy Andrews	907-428-7320
Platoon Leader for 1 <sup>st</sup> Platoon:	Ms. Vanessa Gomez	907-428-7322
Platoon Leader for 2 <sup>nd</sup> Platoon:	Mr. Marcos Pazos	907-428-7323
Platoon Leader for 3 <sup>rd</sup> Platoon:	Mr. Trevor Austin	907-428-7324

**Medical Questions:** Sarah Jamieson, MSN, RN 907-428-7364

**Counseling Questions:** Dr. Ruddy Taylor, PhD. 907-428-7349

**Educational Records:**

Academic Records: Mrs. Lynn Andrews 907-428-7343  
Email: [mva.amya.registrar@alaska.gov](mailto:mva.amya.registrar@alaska.gov) Fax: 907-428-7385

**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	Ms. Tracey Barnhart	<a href="mailto:tracey.barnhart@alaska.gov">tracey.barnhart@alaska.gov</a>	907-428-7342
Placement Coordinator-	Ms. Dianne Collins	<a href="mailto:dianne.collins@alaska.gov">dianne.collins@alaska.gov</a>	907-428-7339

Sincerely,

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

# Parent Reference Sheet-ChalleNGe Class 2021-1

## Mail

Send letters of encouragement often. **Packages are not allowed.**

Send letters via U.S. Mail to:

Cadet (first & last name), Platoon # (Platoon numbers will be assigned during in-processing)

AMYA

P.O. Box 5727

JBER, Alaska 99505-0727

Parents and immediate family members may also send letters via email to [cadetmail@alaska.gov](mailto:cadetmail@alaska.gov).

All other individuals wishing to send letters of support must use the postal service. 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 reply to email**. This is simply an alternative means of communicating with your cadet that we've found to be successful.

**Updates:** For updated information regarding Academy events and possible changes or cancellations, please visit our Facebook page "Alaska Military Youth Academy ~AMYA".

\*\*\*\*Additionally, to ensure that we have a valid email address for you to receive the weekly emails to parents, please send an email to [deborah.morton@alaska.gov](mailto:deborah.morton@alaska.gov) **with the name of your cadet in the email subject line.** \*\*\*\*

## 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

Physical Fitness: 1.0 credit

Life Coping: 1.0 credit

Integrated Studies: 0.5 credit

Wilderness Training: 0.5 credit

\*Additional credits beyond 0.5 may be earned in credit recovery on a case-by-case basis.

***Standard Credits Available: 7.0***

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## **Medical Section Information**

**Health Insurance Requirements: Uninsured or under-insured AMYA Participants may qualify for Denali Care (Medicaid) or Denali Kid Care while in the program and all participants are encouraged to apply. Medical care costs are the responsibility of the parent or guardian of each participant so it is critical that medical insurance (including Denali Kid Care) be kept current and active during the entire program. If your child is covered by Denali Kid Care, Medicaid, Tricare, or any other insurance, please make sure these policies are maintained and updated as required.**

AMYA Medical Staff will need **copies of all insurance cards** you have in order **to facilitate appropriate billing including any co-pays for medications/refills. Co-pays are the responsibility of Parents/Guardians regardless of where the medications are refilled.**

AMYA participants who qualify for benefits through Alaska Native Medical Center and/or Tricare must be registered in Anchorage to utilize these benefits. Ensure a copy of the applicable cards such as CIB, Tribal Enrollment (for ANMC) are included with the application. If you live outside the Anchorage area, please contact the appropriate administrative office of your insurance provider to “transfer” your child’s care to the Anchorage area. This can be done by using the AMYA address at JBER as their temporary residence address.

For participants that have on-going medical or dental needs, care should be taken to schedule appointments prior to start of program, or at the conclusion of the program. Any questions, coordination of on-going care, or concerns should be addressed with the Medical department directly.

**Residential Transition Briefing for Parents, Guardians and Mentors:** A pre-graduation transition out-brief will be held before graduation in June. More details will be sent as we get closer.

**CLASS 2021-1 GRADUATION:** Friday, June 18, 2021. Details will be sent as we get closer.

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